

Disclosures



**A
MESSAGE
FROM
THE
CHAPTER
PRESIDENT**



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Greetings, Everyone!

I am honored to be serving you as the AGA Greater Lansing Chapter President this year!

The Board is currently in the process of planning chapter activities for the upcoming year. If you have any suggestions for luncheon speakers, professional development conference topics, or community service events, please let me or any of the other Board members know. Your input is always welcome!

I want to take a moment to thank our outgoing President, Chris Bayley. He is a great person and a tremendous leader. I am excited to have him on our Board for one more year as past-president.

As mentioned in the May – June 2015 newsletter, this chapter had a great year. With the Board members we have in place and members we have in our chapter, I am looking for to another great year.

Dan Jaroche



Vision
AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

Mission
AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

Core Values
Service, Accountability, Integrity, Leadership

SAVE THE DATE
September 23, 2015
Greater Lansing AGA Chapter
Professional Development Training
Challenges and Innovation
in State Government
4 hours CPE
see page 2 for more information

Eye Opener



Zero

The number of states where someone earning the minimum wage can afford a market rate one-bedroom apartment.

SOURCE: Governing Daily | June 1, 2015



2014 Fall Professional Development Training

Challenges and Innovation in State Government

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

8:00am – Noon

Library of Michigan
702 W. Kalamazoo Street, Lansing, Michigan

You can register online at <http://www.lansing-aga.org>. Click on Events.

Registration Ends Wednesday, September 16, 2015

7:30 – 8:00	Registration.
8:00 – 8:05	Welcome and Opening Remarks
8:05 – 8:55	Budget Process and Challenges Nancy Duncan, Deputy Budget Director, State Budget Office 1.0 hour CPE Accounting
9:00 – 9:50	Strategic Direction of IT and Finance Rod Davenport, Chief Technology Officer, DTMB 1.0 hour CPE Accounting
9:00 – 10:05	Break – generously provided by your Greater Lansing AGA Chapter Note: Please consume food outside the auditorium.
10:10 – 11:00	Affordable Care Act and Income Tax Implications Jonathon Bailey, Director, Asset Independence Coalition 1.0 hour CPE Accounting
11:05 – 11:55	Your Ethical Behavior is Showing Bobby Derrick, MBA, CGFM, AGA National Field Representative 1.0 hour CPE Ethics
11:55 - noon	Closing Remarks Boxed Lunch – generously provided by your Greater Lansing AGA chapter

Cost	Payment	Questions?
\$35 for AGA members \$55 for non-members MAIN ID 2521858718-005 qualifies for 4 hours of CPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">can be made by credit card when you register on-linechecks can be sent to AGA at PO Box 12159, Lansing, MI 48901checks or cash can be accepted at registration	contact Anshu Varma varmas@michigan.gov 517-241-2002

Registrants are responsible for payment unless a cancellation is received by the deadline.

St. Vincent Catholic Charities

Chapter Community Service Project

The Chapter will be collecting donations for St. Vincent Catholic Charities.

In addition to cash, St. Vincent's could use new items, including pots, pans, dishes, towels, new winter coats, hats, and scarves.

Check their website at www.stvcc.org for more information.

A collection box will be at the conference for your convenience.

CHAPTER AWARDS 2015

Excellence in Government Leadership Award

This award is presented to a governmental professional who exemplifies and promotes excellence in government accountability management, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards, and innovative management procedures. This year's recipient was Tracie Bonner with DNR.



Tracie Bonner (middle) accepting the Excellence in Government Leadership Award.

Dear Association of Government Accountants

I am extremely humbled and honored to be recognized by the AGA for the Excellence in Government Leadership Award.

A leader by definition is a person who leads. However, I do not agree with that definition. A leader is a person who others choose to follow. Leadership can be shown at any level of an organization by individuals who have confidence, commitment, dedication, ambition, the ability to communicate, but most of all a positive attitude.

I have been fortunate, over the last 16 years, to work with a group of individuals who have such traits. As a team of just a few people, we have the ability to make a difference; but without a team, there is no leader.

Leadership is needed in all organizations. Anyone can choose to be that leader. Will you choose?

Thank you again AGA,
Tracie Bonner

Professional Development Award

This award is presented to an individual to recognize extraordinary efforts in providing and promoting continuing education and professional development leadership for government professionals and others, demonstrating the importance of lifelong learning. This year's recipient was Anshu Varma.



Anshu Varma (right) accepting the Professional Development Award.

Membership Participation Award

This award is to recognize a member's efforts and commitment to the Chapter. This year's recipient is Peggy Murphy.



Peggy Murphy (right) accepting the Membership Participation Award.

Leadership Award

This award is presented to the member who provided outstanding leadership to the Chapter. This year's recipient is Chris Bayley.



Chris Bayley (left) accepting the Leadership Award.

Community Service Award

This award is presented to an AGA member to recognize exceptional and personal commitment to community service activities supported by AGA and other organizations. This year's recipient was Julie Chrysler.



Julie Chrysler (middle) accepting the Community Service Award.

Chapter Ambassador Award

This award is to recognize outstanding efforts of a member in promoting AGA's mission, activities, and benefits. This year's recipient is Wanda Clavon Jones.



Wanda Clavon Jones (right) accepting the Chapter Ambassador Award.

Rookie of the Year Award

This award is to recognize a new board member or a board member serving in a new position and has gone the extra mile to perform their duties. This year's recipient is Julie Salman.



Julie Salman accepting the Rookie of the Year Award.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Detroit Uses Tech to Modernize City Parking

The new ParkDetroit system is made easier with the download is made easier with the download of the ParkDetroit smartphone app.

By Matt Helms, Detroit Free Press / July 29, 2015

Detroit officials unveiled a new, \$3.5 million system of parking kiosks rolling out across the city that promises to make it easier to park and reduce the risk of getting a parking ticket.

The city is installing 500 ParkDetroit kiosks across the city over the next two weeks. They were first tested on Livernois along the Avenue of Fashion on the City's northwest side, the city's chief operating officer, Gary Brown, said at a news conference today.

There's a major difference in how they work, compared with previous electronic meters. Motorists, using keypads on the kiosks, input their vehicle's license plate number, and the time they pay for stays with the vehicle, no matter the spot if is within one of three zones of the city. That compares to the old fashioned coin meters tied to one specific parking spot and, more recently, electronic kiosks that covered only certain parking spaces nearby, with motorists having to remember the number of their parking space and enter it into the parking meter.

Brown said the new ParkDetroit system is made easier with the download of the ParkDetroit smartphone app, available in the Apple iTunes Apps Store and through Google Play for Android phones.

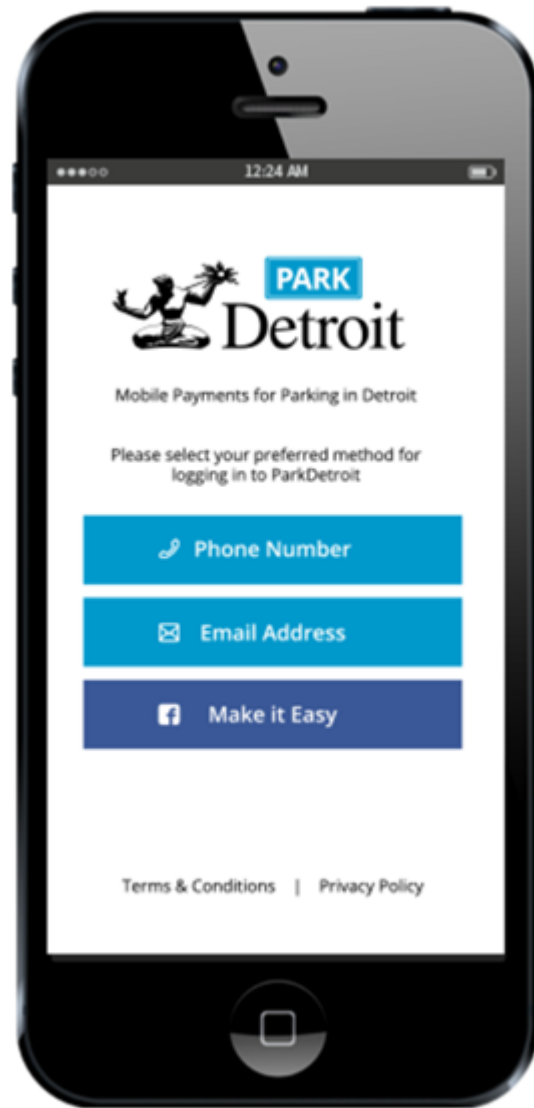
The app allows users to input credit card data so it can charge parking fees by phone, no longer requiring coins to pay. That also allows users to add time on meters, within posted time limits. The app also sends text alerts 10 minutes before a user's time expires.

"We're finally bringing it into the 21st century," Brown said at the press conference along Livernois, flanked by parking enforcement staff and local business owners.

Brown said the new kiosks will be installed in downtown, Midtown, Corktown and several neighborhoods in southwest Detroit along Michigan Avenue and Vernor. They'll also be added in the Eastern Market area after extensive road construction there is wrapped up.

As proposed, parking would be divided into three zones: \$1 an hour in neighborhoods, \$1.50 an hour in Midtown and Eastern Market, and \$2 an hour downtown. Since the time that a driver a driver buys is tied to his or her vehicle's license plate, the driver can park at any spot within one of the zones, and even move to other spots in the zone.

The City Council late this afternoon approved the new parking rates 9-0.



PARKDETROIT

Brown said that if the changes help raise revenue in parking, he hopes to be able to reduce parking ticket fines that were raised to \$45 under former Detroit Emergency Manager Kevyn Orr. Brown said that would include allowing violators to pay \$10 if they pay the ticket within 10 days.

Brown urged Detroiters and suburbanites who work in or visit the city to download the app, "because we suspect it will become a major part of your daily lives moving throughout the city."

NATIONAL AGA AWARDS AT THE PDT IN NASHVILLE



Chris Bayley, Chapter President, accepting the Chapter Platinum Award from National President Bill Miller.



Chris Bayley, Chapter President, taking a selfie at the awards presentation with National President Bill Miller. Chris says Susan Fritzen, AGA's Chief Operating Officer put him up to it.



Chris Bayley, Chapter President, accepting the Website Award from National President Bill Miller.



CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

August 8
August 9

a celebration of culture, tradition, and community

A corps of nearly 200 volunteers help produce this annual award-winning festival, a celebration of culture, tradition and community. Music and dance stages -- sponsored by the City of East Lansing -- feature rhythms, sounds, stories and spectacular musicianship over three days, from blues to bluegrass, Celtic, Zydeco, and more; a Taste of Traditions food court with authentic regional and ethnic cuisine; Children's Folk Activities Area, with hands-on fun for the whole family; and living arts and heritage programs that reflect on the MSU Museum's traditional arts research.

Volunteers are needed for:

- Bike Parking
- Bucket Brigade
- Buddy
- Kidlore – Children's Area
- The Marketplace
- Information Booth
- JOATMON (jack of all trades, master of none)
- Operations
- Recycling
- Sales
- Seniors on the Go
- Set Up and Take Down Crew
- Site Coordinator
- Transportation
- Volunteer Registration

Visit www.greatlakesfolkfest.net to learn more about the festival. And to learn more about the volunteer job descriptions click on volunteers and then job descriptions.



AGA members who volunteer will receive a free henna sample from our chapter's talented Anshu Varma. Visit her at Henna By Design.



Join Team Susan and AGA

CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

September 20

Looking for more FUN, exercise, and opportunity to make a difference?? Join Team Susan for the Walk n Roll for ALS benefit by ALS of Michigan. This is the Michigan ALS organization that provided respite assistance to Susan Rosenbaum and her family. Susan was a member of our AGA family. The walk will be September 20, 2015 at Hawk Island Park in Lansing. Please join our team and help pay it forward with donations!

You can donate to any team member, sign up to participate, or just learn more about the walk through by visiting:

<https://ssl.charityweb.net/alsofmichigan/walknroll/teamsusan.htm>



CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

October 10



The walk for the animals is the second largest fundraiser of the year, with proceeds used to save the lives of animals in Mid-Michigan.

The fundraiser is simple: walkers register as individuals or as part of a team and collect donations from family and friends who want to help the homeless pets of CAHS. Then walkers and dogs gather for a fun filled day of activities at the walk. Participants also collect prizes for reaching certain fundraising levels.

Registration fees help pay for the event and make certain your donations go to further help the animals. Your registration of \$25 per person includes parking, entry to the event, and lunch.

Check the chapter website soon and the next newsletter for more details.



Jesse Kwak



Posted
July 7, 2015

9 THINGS TO DO BEFORE 9AM FOR A PRODUCTIVE MEETING

I don't know about you, but the way I start my morning drastically impacts how the rest of my day goes.

Wake up feeling behind and facing emergencies right away? I'll be stressed out all day. Wake up refreshed and feeling in control? I'll be happy and productive for the rest of the day.

If you look at the morning routines of successful people (like in Laura Vanderkam's book *What The Most Successful People Do Before Breakfast*) you'll find a common thread. No matter when they get up, what they eat, or how they exercise, they all have a personal routine.

If you want to have consistently great days, it's important to build a good daily foundation. Here are nine suggestions to get you started.

1. Do something that's just for you

It can often seem like we spend our days at the beck and call of our family, boss, creditors, and other obligations. But if you start your morning with something simple and pleasurable just for you, it can help put life back into perspective for the rest of the day. Taking ten minutes to sit in your favorite chair with a cup of coffee and read, journal, draw, or do something that's just for you is a fantastic way to start the day on the right foot.

2. Get some exercise

Whether it's a 10-mile run or the Scientific 7-Minute Workout, getting your blood pumping early will help you wake up and be ready to tackle whatever the day sends your way. The early morning isn't the only time to exercise – a visit to the gym at lunch or after work may be your preference. But exercising before work has the benefit of getting your workout done before life gets in the way.

3. Eat healthy

All our bodies have different needs when it comes to breakfast, but starting your day with a protein-rich breakfast of nuts, eggs, yogurt, or a protein shake will give your brain the boost it needs to have a productive morning. Skip the empty, sugary calories of a pastry – it won't matter how much coffee you drink, that sugar crash in the late morning will crush your ability to do good work.

4. Take time for silence

For a calmer, clearer outlook on life, give yourself a moment of stillness before the rush of the day. This could take the form of meditation, prayer, yoga, or simply sitting on your front porch with a cup of coffee. If you're blessed with a tangle of clashing school schedules and preparations once the rest of

your family wakes up, try rising a little earlier to claim some quiet headspace before the chaos begins.

5. Set a transition ritual

Just like Pavlov's dog was trained to physically anticipate food at the ringing of the dinner bell, so can we train our minds to get in the groove when we experience a series of triggers. Maybe it's sitting down at your desk or in your favorite chair with a cup of coffee or maybe it's turning on your favorite Pandora station – whatever your get-going ritual is, use it to signal to yourself that it's time to get serious. For me, listening to the news while making a pot of French press coffee and breakfast is the transition from whatever I was doing earlier to my work day. I know as soon as that coffee's been made and I carry it upstairs to my office, it's time to sit down for business.

6. Pick three priorities

Even if your to-do list is as long as your arm, pick just three priorities for the day and write them down. Choose the most important things that will make the biggest difference today. It could be based on deadline, importance, or simply what will make you feel best once you cross it off the list.

7. Create a plan

A list of things to do is helpful, but it's not the same thing as a plan. As Eric Barker of the blog *Barking Up The Wrong Tree* writes of to-do lists: "Until it's on your calendar and assigned an hour, it's just a list of wishful thinking." Write out your schedule for the day, working backwards from when you'll be going home. Assign each task a block of time (building in meetings and breaks), and try to stick to it throughout the day. At first it may be hard to know how long a certain task will take, but as you do it regularly you'll get a better understanding of how long to schedule each task, which ones work best at what times of your day, and how to build in slack time.

8. Don't check your email

How many times have you checked your email first thing in the morning and gotten swept into a frenzy of responding to other people's priorities, only to realize that you never accomplished what you'd planned to that day? Instead, start your day on your own terms, focusing on your own projects and priorities rather than reacting to what everyone else needs from you. Almost everything can wait a few hours. If you're worried about being out of touch, make sure everyone knows that if they truly, urgently need to get ahold of you before a certain time of day they should call or text.

9. Take one step towards your passion project

What's your passion? Use the extra time you've gained by waking up early and setting your priorities to make one small step towards it. Maybe it's sending an email, reading a chapter of a book on writing, scheduling a lunch date with a mentor, or editing a poem. You may only have time for one small thing every day, but if you take time every morning to make one step, you'll be 365 steps closer at the end of the year.

Early Career Center

17 Simple Habits That Make You Look More Professional

by Bill Murphy, Jr., Executive Editor, TheMid.com



Here's a story from about 15 years ago. I was traveling from Seattle to Yakima for work, flying in a tiny commercial turboprop. There were only about 10 or 12 passengers, and the cockpit was separated by a curtain, rather than a door. We flew through the Cascade mountains in really rough weather, and the captain--a young pilot in his early 20s--pulled the curtain aside.

"The tower is saying it's our choice to continue to Yakima or turn around," he yelled over the din of the engines, "But I think we're gonna give it a try."

What's wrong with this picture, right? "*I think*" and "*Give it a try*" are pretty much the last things you want to hear a commercial airline pilot say, especially in a bad storm. My fellow passengers nearly revolted. The pilot quickly changed course (both literally and figuratively), and we flew back to Seattle.

I've told that story a few times over the years, usually for laughs. But remember: It wasn't really the storm, or the tiny plane, or air traffic control's apparent laissez-fair attitude that freaked us passengers out. It's that the pilot's attitude made him seem totally unprofessional--and we all lost confidence in him.

Here are a few of the attributes you can demonstrate to make yourself seem more professional. I'm not saying they're easy, but they are pretty simple. (Keep in mind though--even nobody demonstrates them all constantly. You're only human. Just try to be the best human you can.)

1. Confidence

This was the biggest problem with the pilot's performance that day. Confidence without the ability to back it up is useless, but if you're truly competent, own it.

2. Candor

Clearly--don't be dishonest. Beyond that however, truly professional people are forthright. They assess the situation, calculate the risks, and offer a truthful opinion.

3. Self-awareness

This is a part of displaying confidence--knowing who you are and where you fit in the world, and owning your strengths and weaknesses. Then, work to buttress the things you don't do as well.

4. Strategic thinking

One of the basic tenets of success is to start with the end in mind. Truly professional people identify their goals, and work backward to achieve them.

5. Anticipation

Be like Radar O'Reilly. Wait, you probably don't get that reference, because most people reading this probably weren't watching the television show *M*A*S*H* in the 1980s. (See? Self-awareness.) No problem. Just know that focusing on others' needs to the point that you can

6. Caring

Related to anticipation: You can't truly help others unless you can be bothered to learn about their goals and fears.

7. Realism

"Promise me the world," the song goes. That may be a way to get the boy or girl of your dreams to pay attention, but it does nothing to make you look professional. Instead, promise the most you can, consistent with your ability to deliver.

8. Follow-through

See what I mean? These attributes are simple but not necessarily easy. Say you'll do something; then do it.

9. Enthusiasm

This one is inspired by reader comments, when I said Pollyannaishness was unprofessional. Smart enthusiasm, on the other hand, is a very positive quality. Colin Powell put it best: Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier.

10. Diligence

This is related to follow-through, but it's not exactly the same thing. Be persistent, demonstrate worth ethic, and "check small things." (That's another Powellism, come to think of it.)

11. Performance

Nothing says "professional" like accomplishments, especially repeated accomplishments over time.

12. Discretion

Caring and self-awareness, combined with good communications ability, leads to prudence and the ability to be candid without giving offense.

13. Curiosity

No professional is ever finished learning. 'Nuff said.

14. Risk-taking

I hesitated to put this on here, out of fear of giving the wrong impression. Risk-taking doesn't mean being risky in the negative sense. Instead it's about the realization that all courses of action involve some risk, and balancing that realization against the paralyzation of inaction.

15. Humor

You don't need to be hilarious, but you need a sense of humor; it demonstrates perspective.

16. Fitness

This is unfortunate but true. If someone looks as if he or she doesn't care about their health, it's a lot harder to project professionalism--and with it, the notion that they care about other things.

17. Authenticity

It's good entrepreneurial advice to "fake it 'til you make it," but your performance needs to be grounded in truth. Otherwise, no matter your skills, your deficits, your interests--or frankly even the things you aren't interested in--people can tell.

CHAPTER EDUCATIONAL EVENTS



You can register for all chapter events at www.aga-lansing.org. Click on events.

Check the chapter website and upcoming newsletters for more information.

October 27, 2015

Monthly Program Luncheon Meeting

Topic to be determined.

Capitol View Building
1 hour CPE

November 17, 2015

Monthly Program Luncheon Meeting

Topic to be determined.

Capitol View Building
1 hour CPE



OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



West Michigan AGA

To register for events, visit www.agawestmichigan.org/home/events

July 22, 2015

Single Audit Update

Webinar
2 hours CPE

National AGA

To register for events, visit www.agacgfm.org



September 15-16

Internal Control and Fraud Prevention

Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C.
14 hours CPE



MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS! Member Anniversaries

Joseph Asghodom, CGFM	23 years
Steven Kirinovic	21 years
Tom Colosimo, CGFM	19 years
Kathryn Benson	15 years
Craig Murray	13 years
Christine Pike	6 years
Elizabeth Williamson	1 year
Tyler Tulloch	1 year



CHAPTER FINANCES

Balance Sheet at May 31, 2015

Assets	
Current Assets:	
Checking Account	\$ 21,747
Pay Pal Account	\$ 2,394
Total Assets	<u>\$ 24,141</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Unrestricted Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 24,371
Income (Loss)	\$ -230
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 24,141</u>





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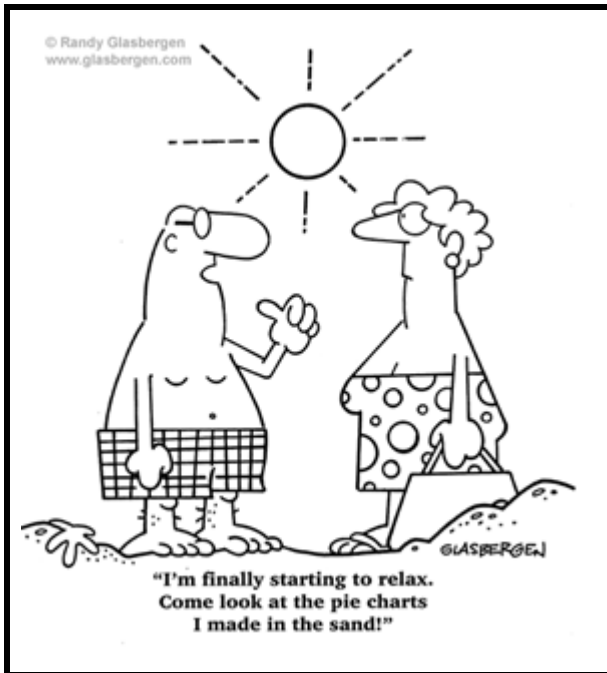
NEW !! AGA CGFM PRACTICE EXAMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Supplement your preparation for the CGFM examinations by taking the online CGFM practice examinations. Apply the concepts you have learned, identify the areas where you will need additional practice and figure out the pace you will need to complete the 115 question examination within the allotted time.

There are three practice examinations – each corresponding to an actual CGFM examination. Upon purchasing the CGFM practice exams, you will have 12 months of online access to the exam. You can take the practice exam as many times as you want within the 12 month period.

The CGFM practice exams are NOT the same as the actual CGFM examinations required for the CGFM certification. Purchasing and using the practice examinations is NOT a requirement of the CGFM certification and should not be interpreted as a predictor of your performance on the actual CGFM examinations. The questions on the CGFM practice examinations were written specifically for practice; they did not and will not appear on any actual CGFM examination and have not gone through the same level of testing as the live CGFM examination questions.

Practice exams are non-refundable. But you can try it before you buy it. Visit <http://aga.conferencespot/practiceExams/> for more information, including a link so you can try the practice exams before you make your purchase.



Journal CPE Online Quizzes



How it Works:

1. Register for the Journal CPE Online quizzes at agacgfm.org. Purchase one quiz or a subscription for four quizzes. Eight quizzes are available at any one time.
2. Read the quarterly *Journal of Government Financial Management*. Plan on spending about three hours to read the applicable information and take the quiz.
3. Take the Quiz! Earn 3 CPEs for each quiz you complete with a score of 80% or better.
4. Print your certificate.



CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2015 Romney Building, Lansing, Michigan Old Board/New Board Meeting

CEC Members Present: Chris Bayley, Anthony Edwards, Kenji Griffith, Dan Jaroche, Wanda Clavon Jones, Shawna Hessling, Cindy Osga, Susan Saari, Cora Schimanski, Karen Stout, Anshu Varma, Dan Wawiernia

CEC Members Not Present: Julie Chrysler, Charlotte Roper, Julie Salman, Amy Zimmerman

Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda: Dan J. called the meeting to order at 12:09pm. A motion to accept the agenda was made, seconded, and approved. Old and new board members were introduced. New CEC member Shawna Hessling and CEC guest Anna Lewis were welcomed.

Minutes: The May 2015 board minutes were approved by CEC vote at the meeting.

Budget and Financials: Julie C. will send the financials to the board via email for approval. Chris will send the budget format to Dan J. so can develop the budget.

Membership: The chapter has 101 members and 19 suspended members. Dan J. will help Shawna access the National website suspended membership list and the list will be given to board members so they can reach out to the suspended individuals. Anshu and Dan J. will help. Cora will send the current member list to the board.

Education: September 23 is the date for the half day fall professional development training at the Library of Michigan auditorium. Topics are budget and ethics with the two remaining sessions possibly be for accounting and auditing. Anshu will reach out to the OAG to ascertain interested in the PDT.

Program Luncheons: The first two luncheons are scheduled in the Capitol View Building. They are scheduled for October 27, 2015 and November 17, 2015. Luncheons may need to be moved to another location because of the moves at the Capitol View Building. Cindy will check the availability of the Grand Tower conference rooms as a possibility.

Awards: Wanda will send Kenji the award procedures and samples of letters, flyers, as well as additional materials she will need.

Communication: Cindy will be sending the May-June newsletter shortly. Chris submit the chapter president's letter to Cindy.

CGFM: Dan W. reported that the CGFM study guides print versions are \$85 each for a total of \$225 for all three. The board may wish to reinstitute the CGFM scholarship. The CGFM program budget may have to be increased for the 2015-2016 program year.

Website: A community service quick link was added to the website. Send information to Anthony so he can populate the web page. Anthony will add an unsubscribe option to newsletter recipients to opt out of receiving the emails. New board members can attain special access to the website by contacting Anthony. Board members not returning must have the special access terminated.

Community Service: No report.

Chapter Recognition: The chapter has earned a platinum level chapter award. Chris will accept the award at the National PDT on behalf of the chapter. The website earned a first place award in the Best Website contest for the Group C category. Chris will also accept that award at the PDT.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Renee Gilman who spearheads the National Community Service event at the PDT in Nashville contacted Dan J. seeking the chapter's contribution. Several possible gifts were discussed. Send ideas to Dan J. via email.

Adjournment: A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 12:58 pm.

Next Meeting: To be determined.



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CGFM is a professional certification recognizing the unique skills and special knowledge required of today's government financial managers. It covers governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls, and budgeting at the federal, state, and local levels.

The CGFM designation was recently recognized by the government of **Guam** which approved a 10 percent pay increase for those who hold the CGFM designation and the **Florida** Legislature which passed a bill listing CGFM as one of the certifications that qualify certain inspectors general for employment.



Chapter Executive Committee 2015-2016

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See the Chapter's Annual Citizen Centric Report on the website.

The Chapter's Citizen Centric Report was awarded a Certificate of Excellence by National AGA.

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