



## May/June 2019 Newsletter

### President's Message:

Members,

Greetings AGA Greater Columbus Chapter members! It's my honor to serve as your Chapter President for the 2019-2020 chapter year. As I begin, I'd like to thank our 2018-2019 President, Mr. Matthew Little, and Immediate Past-President, Mr. William Kays. They have accomplished a tremendous amount of work in support of our chapter, sharing their enthusiasm and drive with our Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) and all the members. Their "can-do" attitude has been an inspiration to me.

Most organizations have themes and visions, AGA's vision is "to be the premiere association for **Advancing Government Accountability**". This year, I've chosen the theme "The Road to Success is Always Under Construction", a theme of growth for members in personal and professional pathways. Each month, I'll share some thoughts, hopefully helpful insights, and pose some questions to "ponder".



For the month of May, I'm asking you all the question "Do You Have Your Road Map"? While none of us have crystal balls for looking into the future, we should all have some short-term and long-term goals in mind, something to stretch and strive for both professionally and personally. Write them down, set some reasonable timeframes, review them often, and don't beat yourself up if you miss some goals. "The most important thing is to keep trying", Dieter F. Uchtdorf.

My theme for the month of June is "Build a Better Resume". Resumes can be tricky, do you have too much, too little, what is enough? What we strive to do is craft a resume that highlights our skillset for the potential job position. I can share with you that my membership and participation in our AGA Chapter helped me to build my better resume. I'm able to highlight the leadership skills learned and practiced, my CGFM certification earned, and the knowledge gained from AGA educational events such as the Webinars and Professional Development Trainings (PDTs) among others. Being actively involved in our AGA Chapter has allowed me many opportunities to stretch out of my normal introvert comfort zone, I've met so many great friends and work contacts that have assisted me in my career over the years. There's a Sheryl Sandberg quote that says "build your skills, not your resume", which is so true, those skills you build through work experiences and AGA participation can translate onto your resume and help it stand out in a crowd of other resumes.

Sincerely,

Barb Bail  
Chapter President, Greater Columbus AGA

## **Treasurer's Report – as of 5/31/2019**

Checking Balance: \$15,696.80 (↓\$9,706.13)

Savings Balance: \$1,056.80 (No Change)

Certificate of Deposit: \$10,000 (↑\$10,000.00)

### **What You Need To Know**

#### **Get Involved**

Our Greater Columbus chapter currently has CEC Openings in multiple areas. Not interested in a position but want to help out? Serve on a Committee! We'd love to have you involved and it's a great way to build your resume. Contact any chapter leaders or [greatercolumbusaga@gmail.com](mailto:greatercolumbusaga@gmail.com) if you're interested.

#### **New Members**

Greater Columbus AGA would like to welcome our newest members. Ms. Kimberly Toler joined during May 2019.

#### **We are Platinum – Again!**

Greater Columbus AGA received word that our chapter was recognized as a Platinum Level (highest) for our activities and accomplishments as a chapter for 2018-19. Our Chapter will be presented with the award at the National PDT in July 2019 in New Orleans, LA.

**Congratulations!** Congratulations to AGA's Scholarship Winners For 2019 – Grace Smeltzer and Jason Stitt. Both had great applications packages. Thanks to Ben Thayer, Cindy Shoe, and Pam Nowicki for serving on the Scholarship Committee and making these selections.

#### **Membership Renewals**

Several members have become suspended because of delinquent dues. To renew for 2019-20, visit [www.agacgfm.org/renew](http://www.agacgfm.org/renew). Remember, you'll want to have renewed to get Luncheon Discounts, our FREE Membership Awards Cookout in July, or attend upcoming Webinars at no cost.

#### **Help us Fundraise**

Don't forget to help out our chapter with your Kroger Plus Card with Community Rewards! Find Instructions on our website at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/GreaterColumbus/Our-Chapter/Chapter-News/Kroger-Community-Rewards.aspx>

#### **Become a CGFM**

Consider studying and taking the tests to become a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). Having this certification gives you a leg up when seeking promotions in the Federal Government! For more info, contact Ayisha King or Glenn Weimar or visit <https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx>

*Remember: AGA is THE member organization for government financial management professionals. We lead and encourage change that benefits our field and all citizens. Our networking events, professional certification, publications and ongoing education help members build their skills and advance their careers.*

# AGA May 2019 CEC Meeting Notes

May 20, 2019, 11:00 AM – 12:00PM  
DSCC Building 21 – Room B-518

**In attendance: Liz Gibbs, Matthew Little, Andy Higgins, Glenn Weimar, Pat Jackson, Eric Gersper, Cindy Shoe, Barb Bail, Bob Palmieri, Kristen Hershberger**

Presidential Updates: “The road to success is always under construction.”

- April 2019 Newsletter
  - Thanks to Matt Little for preparing.
  - Pat Jackson (Communications) will send to membership.
- Membership Renewal E-mail
  - There are a number of members who’s membership expired at EOM March 2019. They will remain in the system until EOM May and then they will be suspended.
  - Members have been told to contact CEC if they have questions.
- March PDT Profit/Loss
  - Each organization lost \$900 for the event, \$1,800 total.
  - The sponsorship of \$500 from Becker helped prevent the loss from being bigger. We need to continue to look at other sponsors in the future.
  - CEC is considering whether to continue to do one standalone conference per year or continue to do the standalone and joint, due to costs.
- 2019-20 Budget Review was completed by the CEC.
- Funds Control guide SOP updates were made available to the CEC for review.
- June Chapter Luncheon (6/18/19) is Mr. Michael Gibson on Project Management.
- Bylaws Review
  - AGA National is updating the Bylaws for the new national structure, due out by July 2019. Greater Columbus will wait until those Bylaws are made before doing chapter adjustments.
- There are numerous holes in the CEC – continue working to fill.
- First Command Speaker
  - First Command is interested in presenting at a future luncheon. Some suggested reviewing the presentation to ensure it would be appropriate for CPE/CET.
  - They could be a potential sponsor for our next chapter PDT.
- Transition Training
  - Treasurer: Pat is meeting with Ayisha on Thursday, May 23.
  - Secretary: Kristen will meet with Aubrey the week of May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- New Monthly CEC Meeting Invitations
  - Sent by Kristen to the CEC
- PDT 2019, NCSF Drive – Chapter donation prize for silent auction or raffle? (Charities this year are Habitat for Humanity, Wounded Warriors, and St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital)
  - Barb will send an e-mail to the CEC for a vote.
- Treasurer Update: We received a clean audit opinion for the 2018-19 year.
- Statutory Agent for State of Ohio Requirement – Annual Review Time; We need to ensure that Ben Thayer is still fine remaining the Statutory Agent for our chapter.

## June & July 2019 – Calendar of Chapter Events

WEDNESDAY <b>JUNE 12</b> 2:00 – 3:50	AGA Group Webinar - <b>Leadership</b> DSCC Building 21, Room B-215	<b>2 CPE</b> Personal Development
MONDAY <b>JUNE 17</b> 11:00 – 12:00	<b>AGA CEC Meeting</b> DSCC Building 21, Room B-413	
TUESDAY <b>JUNE 18</b> 11:30 – 1:00	AGA Chapter Luncheon – Enterprise Management – Mr. Michael Gibson DSCC Building 21, Room C-122	<b>2 CPE</b> TBD
THURSDAY <b>JUNE 27</b> 1:00 – 2:00	<b>AGA Self Webinar –</b> <b>Professional Resilience</b> Self-Registration Only	<b>1 CPE</b> Personal Development
<b>MAY 21</b> 11:00-12:00	<b>AGA CEC Meeting</b> DSCC Building 21, Room B-419	
<b>JULY</b> <b>TBD</b> 12:00 – 1:00	<b>AGA Chapter Membership</b> <b>Appreciation Cookout &amp; Awards</b> DSCC Red Pavilion	
SUNDAY <b>JULY 21-</b> WEDNESDAY <b>JULY 24</b>	<b>AGA National PDT</b> New Orleans, LA	<b>25 CPE</b> Various

**Greater Columbus AGA –  
Officer & Chapter Executive Committee Roster**

President	Barb Bail
President-Elect	Cindy Shoe
Secretary	Kristen Hershberger
Treasurer	Pat Jackson

Immediate Past-President	Matthew Little
Accountability Outreach	Andy Higgins
By-Laws	Elizabeth Gibbs
Communications 1	Will Kays
Communications 2	Joe Scipione
Community Service 1	Ben Thayer
Community Service 2	Catrina Davis-Harris
Scholarships	Ben Thayer
CGFM 1	Ayisha King
CGFM 2	Glenn Weimar
Education 1	Eric Gersper
Education 2	-Vacant-
Finance & Budget 1	Marc Willis
Finance & Budget 2	Shaneequah Chambers
Historian	Connie Sombaty
Membership 1	Matthew Little
Membership 2	-Vacant-
Programs 1	Bob Palmieri
Programs 2	Carolyn Lutz

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