



April 2021 Newsletter

March Theme: “Spring Showers in the New Normal”

April Showers (Rain or Snow?) brings May flowers! We live in Ohio where you can wake-up to snow, like it is Christmas morning, then next, you can wake-up to a day with a high temperature near 80. Spring is arriving and one of the signs of the season is the beautiful blooming flowers.

It is time to renew your AGA Membership! Please renew your membership to continue your benefits. Our Chapter retained enough members to achieve the MVP 85% goal in the AGA National March membership contest. Please see the AGA website for more information or contact our Chapter Membership Chair, Matt Little.

WANTED!!! Want to be more involved in the Chapter? The Chapter is looking for individuals to fill a vacated CEC position in Accountability. The Accountability Chair prepares the annual CCR Report for the Chapter and accounts for the Chapter points on a quarterly basis. For more information on this positions, please contact me and help the Chapter to grow by joining the CEC.



What is the most likely timeline for life to return to “Normal”? Predictions are an uncertain Spring season, an amazing Summer, a cautious Fall and Winter, and then, finally, relief. By the Summer of 2022, we should be able to do most of the things we missed in 2020 and 2021. Normalcy may be a little over a year away. We can finally be able to live our lives again and mark the end of the pandemic. Cheers! To “New Normal” in 2022!

” The future will be a better tomorrow.” Dan Quayle

Cindy Shoe
Chapter President, Greater Columbus AGA

Treasurer’s Report – as of March 31, 2021

Checking Balance: \$11,695.09 (↑\$0.30)

Savings Balance: \$1,059.38 – (↑\$0.08)

Certificate of Deposit: \$10,240.84 (↑\$7.43)

What You Need To Know

Get Involved

Our Greater Columbus chapter currently has CEC Openings. 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 you resume. Contact any chapter leaders or greatercolumbusaga@gmail.com if you're interested.

New Finance & Budget Chair

Congratulations to Mr. Jeff Howe, Greater Columbus AGA's new Finance & Budget Chair. Welcome to the CEC!

Amazon SMILE

For all your Amazon purchases, shop at smile.amazon.com, and choose Greater Columbus Association Of Government Accountants as your preferred charitable organization. Instructions are at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Greater-Columbus-Chapter/Our-Chapter/Chapter-News/Help-Support-our-Chapter-with-Amazon-Smile!.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 and can be used for your initial FM Certification! For more info, contact Glenn Weimar or visit <https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx>

Kroger Plus Community Rewards

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>

Keep Your AGA Information Up To Date

If you've recently changed your contact information, such as your e-mail address, please update your profile at www.agacgfm.org, so you can continue to receive communications from the chapter and AGA National. Contact Will Kays if you have problems receiving communications messages.

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.

Membership Renewal Season

Renewal for Greater Columbus AGA ended March 31, 2021, but if you forgot – it's okay! You can still renew by going to <https://www.agacgfm.org/MyAGA/Renew.aspx>. For any questions, please contact Matt Little/614-701-4136 or matthew.r.little12.civ@mail.mil. We look forward to another great membership year!

April 2021 CEC Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes

AGA CEC Meeting

Date: April 19, 2021

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Bridge Line 614-701-4444; DSN 791-4444; 855-719-6909; Access Code: 426700#
Chair PIN; Log in, then press * then: 235689#

Attendees: - Matt, Barb, Connie, Catrina, Jeff, Cindy



o DISCUSSION TOPIC	SPEAKER
<p>Presidential Updates: -Newsletter – sending out first of next week -PDT – April 22 and 23 -Registration open Thru Monday, April 19 -Confirmed speakers – Mr. Thomas Murphy - Monetary Policy Mr. Scott Young - Advana Brandi McGough, DFAS Columbus Data Analytics Program Manager Mr. Miller - Assistant Secretary of the Army Mr. Freel, OSU Professor – Ethics Mr. Callahan-DLA Fon Holloway - Leadership Dos and Don'ts AGA National Speaker – Elena Tercero</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ms. Cindy Shoe, President Ms. Connie Sombaty, President Elect Mr. Pat Jackson, Treasurer Ms. Leisha Hickman, Secretary</p>

<p><u>Chapter Planning Calendar</u></p> <p><u>April</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o April 1 – Scholarship Application Due Date o April 1 – Finalize Sponsorship Flyer Offer o April 1 – Communicate Kroger Community Rewards Renewal to Members o April 30 – Monitor CGFM Renewal Rates o April 30 – Submit Treasurer Report to Auditor for review <p><u>May</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o May 1 – Distribute Scholarship Funds o May 13 – Deadline for certifying Chapter Officer Voting results to be certified o May 15 – Finalize Plans for May Officer Induction Luncheon o May 31 – Draft Budget for Fiscal Year o May 31 – 4th Quarter ACE deadline & notify RVP and SVPRS when complete o May 31 – Submit volunteer of the Year to National <p>President-Elect Update: Nomination Committee – Officers for 2021-22 Year – No new nominations; sending out the current nomination for vote.</p> <p>Treasurer Update : Chapter audit with ASMC - Handed off our financial statements to ASMC (Vonjia Shannon) last weekend (4/10) for the audit for the last two years.</p>	
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Committee Updates:

Committee
Directors /Co-
Directors

- Finance & Budget – Jeff Howe
 - Trying to contact the new merchandise vendor for the OSU games (Legends)
- Chapter Historian – Vacant
- Programs –Carolyn Lutz/Bob Palmieri
- Membership/Early Career –Matt Little
 - Membership Update – Membership steady. We retained 61 members to achieve the MVP 85% goal in the National membership contest.
 - Planning a Virtual Social
- Certification – Glenn Weimer.
- Education – Eric Gersper/Connie Sombaty
- Community Service – Catrina Davis Harris – 1.) Build a Blessing Box – Cub Scouts Summer Project – Broad St at the AT&T Union Hall – Our Chapter will help stock the box with non-perishable items – Date: June 16(tentative); 2.) Impact Columbus – Needs tutors from 3-5pm and also Book donations for their Summer Program-sending a list of books.

- Scholarships – Ben Thayer
- By Laws - Liz Gibbs
- Communications – Will Kays/Joe Scipione – Newsletter will go out next week.
- Accountability – Vacant
- NCC Rep – Ben Thayer – LEAD! 2021! – May 14, 2021 for Region 5. Who may attend? President, President Elect, Membership and Education committee chairs. For more information: <https://www.agacgfm.org/MyAGA/ChapterResources/Administration-Operations/Lead.aspx>

Upcoming Calendar of Chapter Events

WEDNESDAY MAY 12 2-3:50 PM	AGA Group Webinar FOS: Fraud/Data Analytics Online Only - Free For Members, \$30 for Non-Members, Contact Eric Gersper to Register	2 CPE/CET
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 8 AM – 12 PM	AGA National Virtual PIO/CFO Summit Online Only – Free for Members, \$50 for Non-Members Register at AGACGFM.ORG	4 CPE/CET
WEDNESDAY JUN 9 2-3:50 PM	AGA Group Webinar FOS: Leadership Online Only - Free For Members, \$30 for Non-Members, Contact Eric Gersper to Register	2 CPE/CET
SUNDAY JUL 18 – WEDNESDAY JUL 21	AGA National Professional Development Training Virtual (Multiple FOS) Chapter Selection/Registration Coming Soon	25 CPE/CET

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

President	Cindy Shoe
President-Elect	Connie Sombaty
Secretary	Leisha Hickman
Treasurer	Pat Jackson

Immediate Past-President	Barb Bail
National Council of Chapters Representative	Ben Thayer
Accountability Outreach	-Vacant-
By-Laws	Elizabeth Gibbs
Communications 1	Will Kays
Communications 2	Joe Scipione, CGFM
Community Service 1	Catrina Davis-Harris
Community Service 2	-Vacant-
CGFM 1	-Vacant-
CGFM 2	Glenn Weimar, CGFM
Education 1	Eric Gersper
Education 2	-Vacant-
Finance & Budget 1	Jeff Howe
Finance & Budget 2	-Vacant-
Historian	-Vacant-
Leadership Development Committee	Matthew Little
Membership 1	Matthew Little
Membership 2	-Vacant-
Programs 1	Bob Palmieri, CGFM
Programs 2	Carolyn Lutz
Scholarships Committee	Ben Thayer

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