

From Kristy's Desk

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

As we take December off from our regularly scheduled meetings, the entire CEC is working on providing relevant and timely education opportunities to you, our members. Please see page 2 for our upcoming meeting schedule, and make sure those dates are on your calendar. We'll continue to update you on topics and speakers closer to the event days.

As you start to set your sights on 2019 and start setting your professional goals, I'd ask you to think about serving AGA as a member of our Chapter Executive Committee (CEC). If you are interested in serving, we encourage you to attend leadership training meetings in February and July sponsored by National AGA. These meetings, for which the Chapter has a limited number of scholarships, are ideal for those new to CEC and Chapter leadership. If you would like more information on Chapter leadership and training opportunities, [please email me](#).

Thank you for a great 2018! See you in the new year!

Kristy



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



December 2018 Meeting

There will be no December meeting. Please enjoy this holiday break, and join us again on January 15, 2019 for our next monthly meeting.

2019 Midwest Regional SLM-R

It's time for the 2019 Midwest Region SLM-R meeting! The SLM-R is a great way to learn about AGA leadership from the National level to the local Chapter level.

The 2019 SLM-R meeting will be held in Kansas City, MO on February 9, 2019 at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel near the KC airport.

The agenda and more information will be coming soon!



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Ozarks Chapter Calendar

January 2019 Monthly Meeting
425 Downtown
January 15, 2019

April 2019 Monthly Meeting
425 Downtown
April 16, 2019

February 2019 Monthly Meeting
425 Downtown
February 19, 2019

May 2019 Monthly Meeting
Tour
May 21, 2019

2019 Spring Seminar
Location: TBD
March 28, 2019

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER BREAK

Join Paul Marshall and Megan Gaillard, Audit Director at the Palm Beach County Office of Inspector General, as they discuss data analytics tools and techniques they use to identify audit findings and fraud on this episode of the "[Accountability Talks](#)" podcast.



December Reading List

Moore, Clement Clarke. "A Visit from St Nicholas (Twas the Night Before Christmas)".

Van Allsburg, Chris. *The Polar Express*.

Dickens, Charles. *A Christmas Carol*.



**Financial
Systems
Summit 2019**

Washington, D.C. or virtual
January 10, 2019
6 CPEs

Kick off 2019 with **6 FREE hours** of CPE!



[Ozarks Chapter Citizen Centric Report 2017-2018](#)

[AGA Citizen Centric Report 2017-2018](#)





Are you looking for a way to give back this holiday season? Would you like to help children and families in crisis situations?

Add your light to [Isabel's Tree](#) by giving your tax deductible donation.

Get your group together for a Christmas movie. Join Isabel's House at The Moxie on December 8 for a screening of "[The Polar Express](#)." Tickets include the movie and breakfast beginning at 9 AM. All proceeds go to benefit Isabel's House.

Donations of new clothing and household supplies are always welcome. Check out their [Wish List](#) to see how you can help.

You can even [volunteer](#) your time.

Local Job Postings

[City of Springfield - Accounting Clerk II](#)

[Greene County—Senior Deputy Auditor](#)

[City of Republic - City Accountant](#)

Membership renewal season is coming soon! Be sure to update your AGA contact information with the [National office](#).

Need last minute CPE for your CGFM? Take [The Journal quizzes online](#) for additional credits.



DID YOU KNOW??

Bethel, Maine holds the Guinness record for the largest snowman. They set the record in February 2008 with a height of 122' 1" tall.

The record for the tallest cut Christmas tree is 221'. It was a Douglas Fir set up at the Northgate Shopping Center in Seattle, WA in 1950.



PARENTS RELY ON US FOR HELP DURING DIFFICULT CRISES, INCLUDING
Homelessness, domestic violence, stress and mental health, unsafe housing, and hospital stays.

92%
of children who have stayed at Isabel's House go home with their families. (1715-17)

your gifts have provided **26,300+** nights of safe care for more than **3,875** kids in our community. (since 2007)

Celebrating 10 Years!
isabel's house

88%
of parents who have trusted our team during a crisis report **Less stress** at discharge. (1715-17)

Where kids are loved and families are supported
417.865.2273  2750 WEST BENNETT SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802

 

10 years of purpose

The **mission** of Isabel's House is to **provide immediate refuge for children** ages birth to 12 whose families are in crisis. By partnering with families and the community, we will **strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect.**

The average length of a child's stay is **12 days**
We have a **1 year** family follow-up program

10 years of impact

"Isabel's House has been an extra support, help, and shoulder for me and my family in my darkest hours. You have taught me there are still loving hearts, good people, and someone who understands. Thank you so much for caring for my daughters. May God bless you always."

Sandra | AN ISABEL'S HOUSE MOM

10 years of success

A crisis can happen to **any family at any time**, and Isabel's House has been here to help - at no cost to families - since June, 2007. **Your contributions** provide **hope** for parents and **24/7/365 complete care** for kids - food, new clothing, safe shelter, nurse needs, transport to school, and so much more.

DONATE
VOLUNTEER
GET INVOLVED

WWW.ISABELSHOUSE.ORG



Support Isabel's House with your Children's Trust Fund "License to Care"



Up to 50% Missouri Tax Credits may be available for qualified \$100+ contributions



A little love each month really adds up: join our monthly giving family!

With the start of 2019 almost here, it is time to look ahead and set some goals.

If one of those goals is to become a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM), the Ozarks Chapter can help you. Of the chapter's 86 members, there are 21 CGFMs. What is stopping you? For me personally, the benefits of becoming a CGFM have far outweighed the costs.

If you are on the fence about starting down the path of becoming a CGFM, feel free to contact me. I will explain those benefits as well as how the Ozarks Chapter can help you reach your goal.

Monica Robinson, CGFM
City of Marshfield
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**New Year.
New you.**

Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) highlights your achievements, serves as a tangible indicator of your experience and knowledge and stays with you throughout your career.

AGA Ozarks Chapter has the resources to help you to achieve certification. For more information contact Monica Robinson at mrobinson@marshfieldmo.gov.

EXPAND YOUR CAREER OPTIONS

ENHANCE YOUR MARKETABILITY

DISTINGUISH YOURSELF

ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

INCREASE AND SHOWCASE YOUR KNOWLEDGE

CGFM[®]

The infographic features a central CGFM logo surrounded by five yellow circles, each containing a benefit of certification. The background is a dark red with a repeating geometric pattern. The left side has a yellow vertical bar with a sunburst graphic and text.

CEC Meeting Minutes

November 29, 2018

**Busch Municipal Building, 840 Boonville Ave
1st floor conference room**

Members Present:

Kristy Bork, President; Julie Ravenscraft, Early Career; Greg Drake, Communications; Tammy Beeman, Membership; Teresa Allen, Webmaster; Brandie Fisher, Accountability; Sarah Burrows, Treasurer; Monica Robinson, CGFM Chair

Call to Order

President Kristy Bork called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Website Domain

Discussion to keep our own domain for \$50 annual fee or convert to National AGA domain. The domain is renewed for one year already. It was discussed that we will most likely keep our own going forward.

Approval of September 2018 Minutes

Motion: Sarah Burrows Second Motion: Brandie Fisher Motion Passed 8-0

Approval of Financials

Motion: Teresa Allen Second Motion: Greg Drake Motion Passed 8-0

Discussions

Kristy will meet with Jo about keeping CRP spreadsheet separately from National AGA online.

Discussion of speaker possibilities for Spring seminar (State Treasurer's office); Spring seminar is set for March 28th.

Tammy and Kristy should be getting notified when there is a new member.

CEC Meeting Minutes, continued

November 29, 2018

**Busch Municipal Building, 840 Boonville Ave
1st floor conference room**

Discussions—continued

Julie Ravenscraft (through conference call) asked if we do anything to recognize long term members. It was noted that this will be looked into for the future.

Discussed adding a half sheet for a monthly meeting calendar or include it separately in the monthly newsletter email.

Noted Kristy and Shari attended and helped with the community service event with “Hands on for Seniors.”

Noted Kristy, Sarah and Jennifer may need to meet up to complete the 990 issue.

Long discussion regarding National AGA leadership changes:

NCC = National Conference of Chapters

Who will sit on NCC to represent the Ozarks Chapter—they will have to commit to four meetings (National PDT, Lead 2018 and 2 conference calls)

National pays for one person. Will the President still attend with incoming President?

Noted that we may not want incoming President as it is already difficult to find someone to serve as President with current commitments.

Whomever sits on NCC will serve a one year term, which is renewable for one additional year.

Would we possibly want someone who serves at least one term on CEC , so they have more knowledge and experience with AGA first?

Julie Ravenscraft noted she is currently sitting on the new National Leadership Board. They have been tasked to find future National AGA members.



OZARKS CHAPTER

December 2018



CEC Meeting Minutes, continued

November 29, 2018

**Busch Municipal Building, 840 Boonville Ave
1st floor conference room**

National Leadership discussion, continued

It was noted we need to start a nominating committee to recruit next year's CEC members. It could possibly help with nominating the Chapter's NCC representative.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:48 PM.

**Association of Government Accountants
Ozarks Chapter
Fiscal Year 2019
November 1, 2018 Through November 30, 2018**

	FY19 Budget	FY19 Actual	Nov '18
<u>General Operating Activities:</u>			
Revenues:			
Chapter Dues	383.05	50.00	-
Charity Fundraiser - ????	479.00	125.00	-
Other Misc Revenue	21.67	-	-
Interest	7.73	3.87	0.91
Expenses:			
Community Service	696.26	125.00	125.00
Educational (Post Secondary Ed) Scholarships	500.00	-	-
CGFM (Member) Scholarships	250.00	-	-
PDC (CEC) Travel Stipend	1,464.00	217.60	-
Speaker Gifts	394.67	-	-
Other Misc Expense	1,247.09	270.41	50.00
Net Revenue	<u>(3,660.57)</u>	<u>(434.14)</u>	<u>(174.09)</u>
<u>Monthly Meetings:</u>			
Revenue	1,400.00	150.00	-
Expense	1,476.63	435.03	220.00
Net Revenue	<u>(76.63)</u>	<u>(285.03)</u>	<u>(220.00)</u>
<u>Fall Seminar:</u>			
Registrations	3,905.00	3,140.00	-
Sponsorships	666.67	-	-
Expenses	2,376.54	1,802.71	1,802.71
Net Revenue	<u>2,195.13</u>	<u>1,337.29</u>	<u>(1,802.71)</u>
<u>Spring Seminar:</u>			
Registrations	12,688.33	-	-
Sponsorships	1,000.00	-	-
Expenses	3,500.20	-	-
Dues (remitted to National)	7,575.00	100.00	-
Net Revenue	<u>2,613.13</u>	<u>(100.00)</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Member Appreciation Night(s):</u>			
Revenue	65.33	-	-
Expense	222.33	-	-
Net Revenue	<u>(157.00)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Membership Drive/Recruiting:</u>			
Revenue (received from National)	8.33	-	-
Expense	-	-	-
Net Revenue	<u>8.33</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>SLMR Event</u>			
Revenue (fees received from Attendees)	207.11	-	-
Expense	215.44	-	-
Net Revenue	<u>(8.33)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Net Revenue:	<u><u>\$ 914.06</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 518.12</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (2,196.80)</u></u>
Change in Fund Balance:			
	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Beginning	14,923.35	14,923.35	17,638.27
Net Change	914.06	518.12	(2,196.80)
Ending	<u><u>\$ 15,837.41</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,441.47</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,441.47</u></u>

Ozarks AGA Executive Committee

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If you have any suggestions for topics for educational events, please let us know! We want to hear from you!