

### Central Ohio Chapter

### **NEWSLETTER**

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AGA - Central Ohio Chapter members:

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. The second quarter of our Program Year has been busy. In October 2022, we held our first hybrid Professional Development Training (PDT) where we had 92 in-person attendees and 58 virtual attendees. We were excited to bring back breakout sessions to our conference for in person attendees and offered members 16 CPE credits over the 2 days. The Education Committee did an amazing job putting together this two-day event. We were also able to gather after day one of the conference for a happy hour at 101 Beer Kitchen, which had a great turnout. As we move into 2023, we are planning the PDT for October 2023 and we are trying to determine the best platform to offer the event whether that be hybrid again, or exclusively virtual or in person.

We ended the year with a great Fraud case study webinar and have 3 monthly CPE events scheduled in the coming months with Audit Innovation and Date Analytics in January, Cyber Security in February and GAO Yellow Book Update in March. We hope you can join us for these free CPE offerings for members. In conjunction with our February event, we will be collecting donations to support the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. The Chapter will match any donations made.

Next quarter we are looking forward to hosting an informational session regarding the CGFM certification and we are also hoping to host a Study Review of CGFM book session before our chapter year-end. Look for more info on CGFM news coming soon.

We also want to encourage members to volunteer to be on the Executive Board as well as the Education Committee. These positions provide members invaluable leadership and networking opportunities. If you are interested, please reach out to me at <a href="mailto:executive.coaga@gmail.com">executive.coaga@gmail.com</a>. Also, if you have any suggestions for future training topics or speakers, please send those as well.

Keep up to date with what's going on with Central Ohio AGA via our website, LinkedIn, or Facebook.



Derek Farwick 2022-2023 Central Ohio AGA President

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ellen Lauderman

Bethany Peak

### MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES



### 15 Years

- Erin Kelly
- Diane Moore

### 25+ Years

- Carri Brown
- Bryan Bunting
- Richard Cunningham
- Marlin Easterday
- Robert Hinkle
- Deborah Liddil
- Stacie Scholl
- Richard Sketel
- Jason Uhrig



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https://www.linkedin.com/in/central-ohio-association-of-government-accountants-b76068190

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### RECAP OF 2022 PDT

### October 17 and 18, 2022

Our AGA Central Ohio Chapter 38<sup>th</sup> annual professional development training (PDT) conference was held on October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for the first time as a hybrid event. It was wonderful to see many people in person for the first time in 3 years and being able to network together at the Quest Conference Center in Westerville. Many also joined us for a Happy Hour at 101 Beer Kitchen in Westerville after the first day. For those who couldn't attend in person, we were grateful for your attendance virtually. We had 92 people attend in person while 58 joined us virtually thanks to Dr. Toby Groves and his staff at Cognificent Learning for assisting with the live streaming of our conference. Many thanks to our Central Ohio Chapter members and Accent on Management who assisted with planning the conference throughout the year and those who volunteered as monitors for sessions and provided other assistance during the conference. Also, a big thank you to our sponsors: Clark Schaeffer Hackett, Rea & Associates, and Julian & Grube for their continued support.

For our in person attendees, we were able to return to our regular format of general sessions and three concurrent break-out sessions to offer a variety of topics. Although we were only able to live stream one session at a time for those joining us virtually, we tried to select topics that would be of the most interest. We had 16 different speakers and 22 sessions. Melinda DeCorte, a National AGA speaker from Cotton, A Sikich Company in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas kicked off our conference followed by NASACT Executive Director Kinney Poynter. Michael Glynn from the AICPA joined us virtually from New York for two sessions. Lisa Parker from GASB presented two GASB update sessions. Dr. Toby Groves presented two scheduled sessions and stepped in for a 3<sup>rd</sup> when one of our speakers had to cancel. Other presenters included Tom Speaks from the Impact Group, Attorney Jonathan Downes, Johnny Chuah from Columbus State Community College, Dr. Noah Dormady from OSU John Glenn College, Stacie Massey from Ohio Office of Budget & Management, Michael Kaizar from Ohio Attorney General Office, Kelly Evans-Wilson from Franklin University, Teresa Hicks and Celena Yoxtheimer from Ohio Auditor of State Center for Audit Excellence division, Diane Bouza and Cara Yoder from Ohio Auditor of State Special Investigation Unit division, and Scott Warrick.

Survey responses were very positive. Some of the results:

- The highest rated session with 100% rating "excellent" was Kelly Evans-Wilson, "Leadership 2022 and Beyond".
- 100% felt the PDT met or exceeded their expectations
- 83% definitely and 17% might recommend the PDT to others.
- 30% prefer in-person meetings, 12% prefer virtual, 55% prefer a hybrid event option and 3% had no preference.

Many of the attendees also made comments including the following:

- Great conference! First time attending and look forward to seeing you all next year!
- I hope you continue to offer the hybrid format. Although I would have loved to attend in person, there are other factors that make it difficult for me to be able to travel over 1 ½ hours to Columbus at certain times of the year.

Please check our website and watch for email blasts regarding the 2023 PDT Conference. We have not scheduled a date yet and are considering various options of an in person, virtual, or hybrid event for 2023. A survey was recently sent from Cognificent Learning asking for feedback on the preferred format.

The COAGA Education Committee can always use dedicated volunteers to assist with organizing these conferences. Contact us at education.coaga@gmail.com to help us continue COAGA's tradition of excellence in governmental training!

## **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

### Second Quarter 2023

# AGA - Central Ohio Chapter Statement of Activities As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and For The Periods Then Ended

	Program Year 202	Program Year 2022
	July 1, 2022 to	July 1, 2021 to
	December 31, 202	2 December 31, 2021
Revenues and support		
Chapter dues	\$	277 \$ 291
Registrations	50	,378 33,462
Sponsorships	6	6,000
Interest		2
Other		8 6
Total revenue and support	56	39,761
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Professional development training	59	,862 5,993
ByLaws and Sponsorships		
Community service		
Education and CPE		,306 3,032
Social and networking	1	,874 338
Communications		396
CGFM\Other		- 125
Scholarship and awards		<u> </u>
	63	,438 9,488
Support services:		
Management and general	6	3,285
Total expenses	70	,406 12,773
Change in net assets	(13	26,988
Net assets - June 30, 2022 and 2021	69	,523 49,588
Net assets - December 31, 2022 and 2021	\$ 55	<u>\$ 76,576</u>

### CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORTING

The purpose of AGA's Citizen-Centric Reporting (CCR) initiative is to help simplify communication between government and its citizens. AGA believes accurate government financial information should be provided to all citizens in a timely, simple and readily accessible format. Check out COAGA's past and current reports at <a href="https://www.agacgfm.org/Standards/CCR/Completed/Chapters.aspx">https://www.agacgfm.org/Standards/CCR/Completed/Chapters.aspx</a>



### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**



AGA- Central Ohio Chapter participated this year in AGA 2022 PDT -- National Community Service Fund Raiser Silent auction by donating a basket to be auctioned off during this year's National PDT. The proceeds from the auction will benefit three charities selected by National AGA.



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AGA- Central Ohio Chapter is always open to community service events/activities that serve to better our community. If you know of any please submit your ideas to executive.coaga@gmail.com.

### EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The AGA - Central Ohio Chapter annually presents an award to a state or local government professional

who exemplifies and promotes excellence in government financial management, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards and innovative management procedures.

The award recognizes the cumulative achievements of the professional who throughout his/her career has served as a role model for others and has consistently exhibited the highest personal and professional standards.

Congratulations to our 2022 winner, Mayor Randy Evans, from the City of Jackson. Thank you Randy for your dedication to government service!



### 2023 COAGA CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Central Ohio Chapter of the AGA (COAGA) will be awarding five scholarships to active members, or other selected candidates who are currently enrolled in full or part-

time study in a college or universities accounting, business, finance, or computer science programs (or college acceptance pending). Children/grandchildren of an active AGA member who are currently enrolled in full or part-time study in a college or university with any major also qualify (or college acceptance pending).

**Award Amounts:** Five scholarships, up to \$1,000 each

Closing Date for Applications: April 7, 2023

Award Announcement: No later than May 31, 2023

For additional information and to apply, click <a href="here">here</a>.

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