



Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season!

This is the time of year where many people make resolutions. Most resolutions focus on our personal life, i.e., exercising more, saving more, etc. I encourage you to set some goals for your professional life. **Have you thought of ways to advance your career or build your network?** I encourage you all to write down

your goals for the year, both personal and professional. In doing so, find a way that AGA can help you achieve your professional goals this year. It can be attending a dinner meeting, workshop, social event our chapter hosts or an event held by AGA National, or even passing the CGFM exam. Our events and programs can help you expand your technical knowledge and your network. If you would like more information about the benefits of joining AGA or attending our events, please reach out to me at president@marylandaga.com I am always happy to discuss with our membership on ways to get involved and for how you can meet your goals with AGA!

Our first dinner meeting of 2017 will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at 6pm at Lebanese Taverna in Bethesda (7141 Arlington Road, Bethesda, MD 20814). We have been trying out new locations to hold our dinner meetings. We think this new location will be a great venue. We are very excited to have Robert Westbrook, Inspector General of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, give a presentation. [Register on our website today!](#)

Keep checking the events tab on our website (www.marylandaga.com), and you can see all of the upcoming events, including dinner meetings, workshops, webinars, community service programs, and early careers events. More events are added every week, so check back often. Also, check us out on [Facebook](#) for updates as well! #AGAMoCoPG

It's important to me that this chapter meets all of your needs. If you have comments to share or would like to learn more about how to get involved, please don't hesitate to contact me at president@marylandaga.com.

Corinne Dougherty, CPA, CGFM, PMP
Chapter President

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Chapter News

Welcome to the January edition of the Montgomery/Prince George George's County Chapter newsletter for the 2016—2017 program year. If you are new to the Chapter or it's been a while since you've looked through the newsletter, we have added a number of new features and Chapter programs this year, including:

- A Member Benefits section, which includes a listing of the discounts, sponsored events, scholarships, and free or discounted CPE that is available to you as AGA and MPGC Chapter members.
- Expansion of the Technical Updates Corner, which includes summaries of recent FASAB, FASB, GASB, GAO, and OMB Updates.
- The Chapter Calendar and the National Events sections include listings of both the current and next month's events to give you more advance notice of upcoming events.
- Board Meeting Minutes have been added each month and Chapter Financial Statements will be added when available to make Chapter and Board activities more transparent.
- Expanded social media— please visit us on Facebook [@AGA Montgomery/Prince George's Country Chapter](https://www.facebook.com/AGAMontgomeryPrinceGeorgeCountryChapter).

We welcome your feedback! If there are any features or content that you would like to see in the newsletter, please contact me at newsletter@marylandaga.com.

- Michelle Merritt, Newsletter

Chapter Events



The MPGC and Northern Virginia Chapters held a joint chapter dinner meeting at the Westin Hotel in Arlington, VA on November 15th.



Upcoming Chapter Events

January 11| January Dinner Meeting (1 CPE)

Presentation by: Robert Westbrook, Inspector General, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Time: 6:30—8:30 PM, Reception 6:00—6:30PM

Location: Lebanese Taverna Bethesda, 7141 Arlington Rd., Bethesda, MD

Note: Lebanese Taverna Bethesda is located in Bethesda Row, a few blocks from the Bethesda Metro Station (Red Line)

Cost: \$35 per person for non-government employees, \$20 for state, local, and federal government employees, and \$15 for students (credit card payment required).

Registration: <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/meetings.cfm>.

January 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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January 18| *FREE* AGA Audio Conference: “Getting Your Dollars to Work Harder: Blended and Braided Funding” (2 CPEs)

Sponsored for our chapter’s members by corporate partners CliftonLarson Allen LLP

Time: 2:00—3:50 PM

Location: CliftonLarsonAllen, 11710 Beltsville Drive, Ste. 300, Calverton, MD 20705

RSVP: Contact Katrina Lynch @ Katrina.Lynch@claconnect.com or 301-931-2050.

February 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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February 8| February Dinner Meeting (1 CPE)

Presentation by: TBD

Time: 6:30—8:30 PM, Reception 6:00—6:30PM

Location: TBD

Cost: \$35 per person for non-government employees, \$20 for state, local, and federal government employees, and \$15 for students (credit card payment required).

Registration: <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/meetings.cfm>.

February 8| *FREE* AGA Audio Conference: “GASB” (2 CPEs)

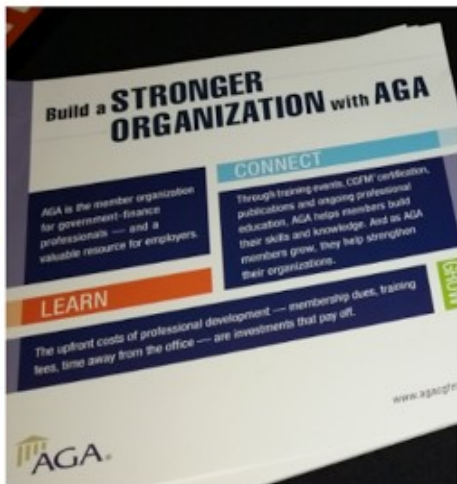
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Chapter Event Retrospective



The Montgomery/Prince Georges County Chapter Membership and Early Careers Committees hosted a Happy Hour at the Society Lounge on December 1, 2016

CGFM

WHAT IS CGFM?

Certified Government Financial Manager® (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.

To earn the CGFM, individuals must apply for the CGFM program and meet the following requirements:

[Ethics](#) — read and agree to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics

[Education](#) — have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university

[Examinations](#) — pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations

[Experience](#) — have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management

CGFM Examination: Applicants must take and pass three comprehensive examinations to become a CGFM:

- **Course 1:** Governmental Environment
- **Course 2:** Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting
- **Course 3:** Governmental Financial Management and Control

Visit the [AGA National CGFM website](https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/About-CGFM.aspx) at <https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/About-CGFM.aspx> for more details.

If you are considering taking the CGFM exams in 2016, why not sign up for AGA's Intensive Review Course with CGFM examinations included – it's a great opportunity to review the course material with a knowledgeable instructor and complete your CGFM!

The Intensive Review Course (IRC), offering up to 18 CPEs, will be held in Alexandria, VA on April 3–4, 2017 (see p. 9). The class will run 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. both days. The cost of the course for qualified participants is as follows:

\$375 for AGA members,

\$425 for non-members

SPECIAL BONUS: The CGFM examinations are offered at no additional cost to course attendees — a \$375 savings!

Not yet a CGFM or do you know someone who wants to earn their CGFM?

Consider reaching out to colleagues who are not members but may be interested in certification. This may be a good opportunity to re-engage members with a CGFM study group!

Details on the program are available here: www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/springpromo2015

Questions about CGFM? Contact: agacgfm@agacgfm.org

- Additional information related to the CGFM, including (1) Reasons to become certified, (2) How to apply, (3) Testing locations, and (4) CGFM Proclamations, can be found on the Maryland AGA website at <http://www.marylandaga.com/cgfm/index.cfm>.

For additional questions or information about the CGFM, please contact Montgomery/Prince George's County CGFM Director Gabrielle Chapman at cgfm@marylandaga.com or gabriellechapman@kpmg.com.

Membership

Membership in AGA has many [benefits](#), including education and networking opportunities, awards and scholarship programs, discounts for training, exclusive CPE opportunities, and access to our [resources](#), some of which are offered at no charge or at a discounted rate for members. Members join a local [chapter](#), through which they gain additional networking, leadership and education experiences.

Membership Benefits—Local Chapters:

- **FREE* AGA Audio Conferences and Webinars**—2 CPEs for participation in each sponsored audio conference
- **Monthly Dinner Meetings**
- **Workshops** featuring relevant and timely topics such as Cyber Security, FASAB Updates, Internal Control Requirements, and Ethics.
- **Networking Opportunities and Member gatherings** such as happy hours and sporting events.

Membership Benefits—AGA National:

- **Community**—Networking through 100 AGA Chapters, Member and Vendor Directories, Leadership and Volunteer Opportunities, Awards and Scholarships
- **Professional Development, Training, and Career Resources**—complimentary webinars, discounted online CPE courses, member rates for national training events, discounted CGFM renewal fees, group training courses, Online Job Bank.
- **Research and Publications**—subscription to the *Journal of Government Financial Management* and the Topics weekly newsletter, Research and Executive Reports.
- **Free Tools**, including tips to Prevent Fraud, Reduce Improper Payments, Improve Outcomes, Mitigate Risk, and Enhance Collaboration.
- **Participation in Government Initiatives**—Input to standards-setting bodies, intergovernmental partnerships, and the Citizen-Centric Reporting (CCR) program.



Unlimited Online CPE Courses from Becker Professional Education

Becker Professional Education, one of our chapter's esteemed corporate sponsors, and our chapter have joined forces to offer you an incredible new member benefit - discounts on online Continuing Professional Education (CPE) courses.

Becker Professional Education offers a wide variety of CPE courses, including courses that qualify for your CGFM or CPA CPE requirements. The cost is a flat rate of \$350 per year for unlimited CPE courses.

A catalog of the courses available through Becker Professional Education can be found at <http://www.becker.com/cpe/courses/course-catalog>.

To view of sample demonstration of the online courses that Becker Professional Education has to offer, please visit <http://www.becker.com/accounting/cpe/courses/preview-a-course.cfm>.

New Members

The MPGC Chapter would like to welcome the following new members to our Chapter:

Mr. Wilson Guo
Mr. Sonnie Oratokhai

Ms. Dawn Evans
Mr. Eric Pitt

Awards and Recognition

Awards

AGA honors members for service both to the association and to the government financial management profession. We bestow awards based on peer nomination to those who have exemplified principles of leadership, transparency and financial stewardship.

Scholarships

AGA grants scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students pursuing finance careers in an effort to grow the government financial management community and support current and future practitioners from the beginning of their careers.

Nominations

AGA offers a variety of **leadership** positions at the chapter, regional and national levels. Learn more about our leadership structure and how you can get involved.

Recognition

AGA celebrates the commitment and determination shown by members reaching several **membership milestones**. Lifetime Membership is conferred to individuals who have remained paid members for at least 40 consecutive years. The commitment and determination shown by these individuals has made AGA the strong, vital organization it is today. As a token of their achievement, each of these individuals was presented with a Lifetime Member certificate. As Lifetime Members, these individuals no longer pay AGA membership or chapter dues.

Go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/Membership/Connect/Awards-Recognition.aspx> to learn more about the individual programs.

Submit an Article to the AGA Journal

The *Journal* team seeks original content to add to and create conversation about important topics in government financial management. To submit, email journal@agacgfm.org.

Process: AGA's Journal Editorial Board chooses themes for issues that it believes the government financial management community will find compelling, relevant and timely. However, we solicit and accept high-quality, thoughtful articles on a wide range of government financial management topics and may publish articles that do not relate directly to the themes. The Journal will accept material that provides practical insights into any aspect of government financial management. Authors are encouraged to submit articles for review. The Journal Editorial Board is particularly interested in articles from practitioners.

- **Summer:** March 1
- **Fall:** June 1
- **Winter:** September 1
- **Spring:** December 1

To be eligible for consideration, submitted material must be:

- no more than 2,500 words;
- original work that has not been previously published; submitted to the editor at journal@agacgfm.org;
- using endnote rather than footnote format;
- accompanied by a 50-word (or fewer) abstract and concise author biographies;
- accompanied (when applicable) by no more than four charts or graphs, which should be submitted as raw data; and
- accompanied (when applicable) by concise sidebars.

If you have any questions about the *Journal*, please contact journal@agacgfm.org.

AGA National Events and Updates

2017 Financial Systems Summit (up to 7 CPEs)



January 13, 2017
Walter E. Washington Convention Center, 801 Mt. Vernon Place NW
Washington, D.C.

The Financial Systems Summit (FSS) unites federal financial managers and private-sector executives to discuss the near-term and future prospects of federal financial management systems in a budget-constrained environment. The summit will provide new insights into the burgeoning federal financial systems modernization strategy over the coming decade — and beyond.

FSS offers live audience participation! Summit speakers will post questions and attendees can text their response allowing for real time conversation and engagement. For more information, go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/FSS-2016.aspx>.

National Leadership Training (up to 14 CPEs)



February 15—16, 2017
Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW,
Washington, DC

NLT provides cutting edge information from highly respected and distinguished industry leaders as well as an unparalleled program in two formats: in-person and virtually. Both formats offer the opportunity to earn 14 CPEs. The agenda is the same for both in-person and virtual attendees.

For more information, go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/NLT-2017/Program-Schedule.aspx>

CGFM Intensive Review Course (up to 18 CPEs)



April 3—4, 2017
Alexandria, VA

Sign up for AGA's Intensive Review Course with CGFM Examinations *included* – it's a great opportunity to review the course material with a knowledgeable instructor and complete your CGFM.

The cost of the course is \$375 for AGA Members and \$425 For additional details, go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/Certification/Candidates/Preparing-for-Exams.aspx>.

You can register at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Training-and-Events/Event-Registration.aspx?ID=237>

The registration deadline is March 22, 2017, unless the class has been filled prior to this date.

2017 CFO/CIO Summit (up to 4 CPEs)



May 4, 2017
Washington, DC

Join AGA and AFFIRM in Washington for this free* educational event and listen to an insightful dialogue on the intersection of policies and management issues that impact CFOs and CIOs and how they are working together to improve efficiency and transparency, reduce risk and strengthen their workforce.

*Complimentary for individuals who work for government. Private-sector participation is available via sponsorship. Are you a small business? [Contact AGA](#) for special sponsorship pricing.

Technical Updates Corner—FASAB and GASB

Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB)

December 21, 2016—FASAB Issues an Exposure Draft of a Statement on Budget and Accrual Reconciliation

FASAB is seeking input on an exposure draft (ED) of a proposed Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS) entitled Budget and Accrual Reconciliation. This Statement would amend requirements for a reconciliation between budgetary and financial accounting information established by SFFAS 7, Accounting for Revenue and Other Financing Sources and Concepts for Reconciling Budgetary and Financial Accounting. It would replace the current reconciliation with a new budget and accrual reconciliation (NBAR) and explain the relationship between the entity's net outlays on a budgetary basis and the net cost of operations during the reporting period.

By focusing the reconciliation on the net outlays instead of the obligations incurred, the NBAR (1) enhances the understandability of the relationship between budgetary resources and the costs of program operations, (2) simplifies the agency's budgetary and financial accounting reconciliation, and (3) improves the financial reporting. "This new reconciliation would provide more valuable information to users while enhancing the support to the government-wide accounting reporting that reconciles net operating cost to the budget deficit," according to Chairman Showalter.

The Board requests comments on the ED by March 14, 2017, (<http://www.fasab.gov/documents-for-comment/>)

Exposure Draft Comments are due for the following:

- *Federal Financial Reporting—01/06/2017*
- *Conforming Amendments to Technical Releases for SFFAS 50, Establishing Opening Balances for General Property, Plant, and Equipment—01/09/2017*

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB)

Norwalk, CT, December 7, 2016—GASB ISSUES GUIDANCE ON CERTAIN ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) today issued guidance for state and local governments addressing liabilities known as "asset retirement obligations."

An asset retirement obligation (ARO) is a legally enforceable liability associated with the retirement of a tangible capital asset. [GASB Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*](#), establishes guidance for determining the timing and pattern of recognition for liabilities and corresponding deferred outflow of resources related to AROs.

Existing laws and regulations require state and local governments to take specific actions to retire certain capital assets, such as the decommissioning of nuclear reactors and the dismantling and removal of sewage treatment plants. Other obligations to retire certain capital assets may arise from contracts or court judgments.

Under Statement 83, a government that has legal obligations to perform future asset retirement activities related to its tangible capital assets is required to recognize a liability and a corresponding deferred outflow of resources. The guidance also identifies the circumstances that trigger recognition of these transactions.

The Statement requires the measurement of an ARO to be based on the best estimate of the current value of outlays expected to be incurred. The deferred outflow of resources associated with an ARO will be measured at the amount of the corresponding liability upon initial measurement and generally recognized as an expense during the reporting periods that the asset provides service.

Disclosure requirements include a general description of the ARO and associated tangible capital assets, the source of the obligation to retire the assets, the methods and assumptions used to measure the liability, and other relevant information.

The requirements of Statement 83 are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2018, with earlier application encouraged.

The full text of Statement 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*, is available at www.gasb.org.

Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

Recent Revisions and Publications:

Climate Change: The Fiscal Risks Facing the Federal Government, A Preliminary Assessment (11/15/16)

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB), in collaboration with the Council of Economic Advisers (CEA), recently embarked on an effort to assess what we can quantify today with regard to the fiscal risks posed by climate change for the Federal Government. To date, this effort has yielded two primary conclusions: first, that our current understanding of the fiscal risks of climate change is nascent, limited in scope, and subject to significant uncertainty; and second, that the evidence available thus far indicates the fiscal risks to the Federal Government could be very significant over the course of this century without ambitious action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) and adapt our communities to a changing climate.

This report outlines the contours of fiscal risk through five program-specific assessments: crop insurance, health care, wildfire suppression, hurricane-related disaster relief, and Federal facility flood risk. These programs were assessed because they are directly influenced by climate change, they have strong links to the Federal Budget, and quantitative scientific and economic models regarding the likely magnitude of impacts were available. This report also considers potential impacts to Federal revenues.

The full report is available at https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/reports/omb_climate_change_fiscal_risk_report.pdf

Recent OMB Publications:

- [OMB Circular A-136](#), Financial Reporting Requirements - Revised (10/7/2016)
- [OMB Bulletin No. 16-01](#), Apportionment of the Continuing Resolution(s) for Fiscal Year 2017

U. S. Government Accountability Office (GAO)

December 8—DATA ACT: OMB and Treasury have Issued Additional Guidance and have Improved Pilot Design but Implementation Challenges Remain

Consistent with a July 2015 GAO recommendation to establish clear policies and processes that follow leading practices for data governance under the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (DATA Act), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Department of the Treasury (Treasury) have taken the initial step of convening a committee to maintain established standards and identify new standards.

Implementation plan updates. The 24 Chief Financial Officers Act agencies continue to face challenges implementing the DATA Act, according to information in their implementation plan updates. GAO identified four categories of challenges reported by agencies that may impede their ability to implement the act: systems integration issues, lack of resources, evolving and complex reporting requirements, and inadequate guidance. To address these challenges, agencies reported changing internal policies and procedures; leveraging existing resources; and using external resources, and manual and temporary workarounds, among other actions.

Operationalizing data standards and technical specifications for data reporting. OMB issued additional guidance on how agencies should report data involving specific transactions, such as intragovernmental transfers, and how agencies should provide quality assurances for submitted data. However, this guidance does not provide sufficient detail in areas such as the process for providing assurance on data submissions and it does not address others, such as how agencies should operationalize the definitions for data elements (e.g., primary place of performance and award description). Treasury released a new version of the DATA Act Broker—a system that collects and validates agency data—in October 2016 and is making minor adjustments to its functionality. Agencies have reported making progress creating and testing their data submissions, but some report needing to rely on interim solutions for initial reporting while they wait for automated processes to be developed.

Pilot to reduce recipient reporting burden. GAO reviewed the revised design for both the grants and procurement portions of the pilot and found that they partly met each of the leading practices for effective pilot design. Although this represented significant progress since April 2016, GAO identified an area where further improvement is still needed. To date, all six components of the grant portion are underway. Data collection for the procurement portion is delayed and is not expected to begin until January or February 28, 2017.

The full report is available at <http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-17-156>.

MPGC Chapter Minutes

The December AGA MPG Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 30, 2016 at 12:00pm via Conference Call. The Meeting was called to order at 12:01 PM by Corinne Dougherty.

I. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

- Corinne welcomed everyone to the meeting and turned the discussion over to Mat Wenzel, Secretary, to perform the roll call.

II. REVIEW/VOTE ON MINUTES

- Corinne moved for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the September 28, 2016 board meeting. Kathleen Sobieralski made a motion to approve the minutes and Yehuda Schmidt seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by the Board members.

III. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET/WORK PLANS:

A. Membership: Natalie Samuels, Michael Smith, Helena Clemons—Corinne Dougherty informed the board there is a happy hour at Society Restaurant and Lounge in Silver Spring on December 1, 2016.

B. EARLY CAREERS: Erica Williams and Dhiren Patel

- Erica informed the board that the happy hour on December 1, 2016 is a joint event with Membership and Early Careers and that 26 people had RSVP thus far.
- Erica informed the board that they are working on having a bowling event in January and Corinne recommended not having the event the weeks of January 2nd or 9th, 2017.
- Erica informed the board that they are looking to do a mentorship event in February and will be reaching out to the NOVA and DC chapters as a possible join event or possible setting up a CGFM social event.
- Erica informed the board that they are considering a Washington Wizards game on Wednesday March 15, at 7 PM or Wednesday March 22 at 9 PM.
- Erica informed the board that they are looking to do a community service project in April and asked for suggestions for organizations to serve.

C. PROGRAMS: Jimmy Hauer and Scott Binder

- Corinne informed the board that they are currently looking for speakers for January through April 2017 and any suggestions should be sent to Scott, Jimmy, or herself.

- Marlon informed the board that he is talking to his client's OIG about possibly speaking

D. MEETINGS: Howie Simanoff and Wilson Kayo

- Howie informed the board that he will look into scheduling a meeting in Prince Georges.
- Howie informed the board that Matchbox still had similar complaints as before, specifically, noise and seating factors.
- Wilson suggested to the board to possibly invest in a wireless microphone.
- Corinne informed the board that they are looking to set up 1 meeting in Prince Georges County, possible at Mulligan's restaurant at the University of Maryland Golf Course.
- Marlon suggested reaching out to the Greenbelt Marriott as a possible location for the Prince Georges location.

E. EDUCATION: Carol Boothe and Yehuda Schmidt

- Carol informed the board that there were 34 individuals registered so far for the Thursday December 8 workshop at the University of Maryland Shady Grove location. The workshop will consist of an ethics course which would qualify for Maryland, Virginia, and DC. Further, Carol asked the board to send out reminders to try and get the head count up to 50.

- Yehuda informed the board that they will be making a donation on behalf of the speakers.

- Jared Zaideman suggested sending the donation to Manna Food Centers.

F. CERTIFICATION: Gabrielle Chapman

- Corinne read the notes provided from Gabrielle Chapman and noted that a lot of chapter members have reserved CGFM study guides. Additionally, Corinne informed the board that we budgeted a lot of money for AGA National's Intensive CGFM Review course and can redirect that money.

G. ACCOUNTABILITY: Holly Donley and Brett Parris

- Holly informed the board that they are possibly setting up a scholarship and Corinne was going to look to see how to get that started.

H. NEWSLETTER: Michelle Merritt

- Corinne informed the board that the December one is currently being worked on.

I. WEBSITE: Denise Reyes

- Denise asked the board to send anything for the website to her. She will send a reminder email for the workshop.
- Denise informed the board that the new website will be hosted by AGA National beginning around February 2017.

J. SOCIAL MEDIA: Ozo Nnamadim

- Ozo informed the board that he will post the link for the workshop to the Facebook page and asked for photos from events to highlight what the chapter is doing.

- Ozo informed the board that he posted a link about the happy hour.

K. COMMUNITY SERVICE: Jared Zaideman and Renwei Shi

- Jared informed the board that we will continue to do 50/50 raffles at dinner meetings and is currently looking to add more events with the Manna Food Center and the Capital Area Food Bank.

L. AWARDS: Jonathan Deboer and Anu Sharma

- Jonathan informed the board that they are continuing to discuss possible locations for the awards dinner.

M. CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS: Eric Rasmussen, Omar Marquez, and Kathleen Sobieralski

- Eric informed the board that there is nothing to report at this time.

N. RECOGNITION: Jillian Manning

- Jillian informed the board that they were be sending out a spreadsheet in Mid-December requesting recognition points.
- Corinne suggested that the points should be submitted in the early part of the week of December 19, 2016.

O . HISTORIAN: Jeff Cole

- Jeff did not have anything new to report.

P. SPECIAL PROJECTS: Dawn Beatty

- Dawn informed the board that she reached out to Early Careers and is working on the mentoring plans, but had no specific updates.

Q. BUDGET/FINANCIALS: Alex Dickey and Alex Williams

- Corinne asked the board for suggestions on cutting costs and mentioned cutting the CFM costs.
- Corinne suggested that we hold off until January to approve the budget until we see if we can cut additional costs.

IV. COMMENTS FROM REGIONAL OFFICERS:

- Eric Rasmussen: Eric informed the group that there was a regional AGA meeting at 3:00 PM today, but had no updates at this time.

V. **CLOSING COMMENTS**—The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

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