

Ohio Chapter, Association for Accounting Administration September 19, 2003 Meeting

The September 2003 meeting of the Ohio Chapter, Association for Accounting Administration was held at the OSCPAs office in Dublin, Ohio on September 19, 2003.

The following members were in attendance:

Mark Astorino	Martinet, Martinet & Recchia	Willoughby, OH
Craig Baldauf	Schlabig & Associates, Ltd.	Akron, OH
Sandie Bennett	Donovan, Klimczak and Company	Akron, OH
Tammy Boring	Snyder & Company	Lancaster, OH
Patty Czechowski	Packer, Thomas, & Company	Youngstown, OH
Fred Dillon	Simpson & Osborne	Charleston, WV
Jim Fahey	Brott, Mardis & Co., CPAs	Akron, OH
Paul Fellinger	Shriver & Co.	Cincinnati, OH
Patti Miller	Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.	Circleville, OH
Kim Tanner	Whitcomb & Hess, Inc.	Ashland, OH
Barb Walker	Barnes, Dennig & Co., Ltd.	Cincinnati, OH
Regina Wilson	Payne, Hammersmith, Nickles & Company	Norwalk, OH

Presentation

This meeting's presentation was on "Human Resource Issues in the Professional Firm," presented by Attorneys Richard Gorman and Peggy Schmitz of Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston, Ltd.

Business Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved, as was the Treasurer's report.

Cash in bank at July 18, 2003 was \$1,560.10. Income for the past two months was \$751.17 and expenses for the same period were \$380.62. Cash in bank at September 19, 2003 was \$1,930.65.

Old Business

There is an Executive Summary of each of the sessions from the National Conference in Montreal available on the website. Everyone is encouraged to go to the site and review these summaries.

New Business

Jim welcomed our newest member to the group, Mark Astorino.

Kim solicited suggestions for speakers for future meetings. The speaker for the November meeting will be from Berwanger Overmyer, speaking on the topic of liability insurance.

Other topics suggested were: coaching and leadership, medical premiums, HRA's, the Patriot Act, and technology issues. Jim will plan on doing a presentation on technology issues at our February meeting.

If we get the largest increase in membership for the year, our chapter will get a free presentation from Roman Kepczyk. So everyone was encouraged to try and bring in new members to the organization.

It was suggested that, when Barb sends out the minutes of the meeting, she also scan the handouts from this meeting and send them along with the minutes. She will also ask in the e-mail to each person, if there are reasons they do not currently attend meetings and if they have any feedback for the group, to see if we can get participation increased.

Jim will check into the feasibility of running an ad in the Catalyst. He will contact Kim Fantaci to see if she would have an appropriate ad to use for this purpose.

Fred updated everyone on activities with National. Specific goals that have been set by Fred and the National Organization for this year are: 1. To have attendance of 200 members at the National Conference in St. Louis. 2. To raise total membership from the current 550 members to 600 members. 3. To add one new state chapter. The "to do" list for National has been made more specific than in previous years, and due dates and a responsible person have been added to the list. They are also working to organize a formal subgroup for network administrators. They also plan to do a newsletter every month.

Some of the speakers lined up for next year's national conference will be Mark Rosenberg, Ron Baker, and Sam Allred.

There was a discussion of raising the meeting fees to \$25, and this motion was approved by all present. If it is necessary to cover costs of a particular speaker, the fee for any one individual meeting may be raised.

The business meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 21, 2003.