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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This issue is packed with lots of exciting news, pictures, and highlights!

2019-2020 Education Series kicked off with Communications: **“Everyone Communicates, Few Connect”** Thank you to all that attended. We would love to see more smiling faces at an upcoming seminar.



Our next CEC meeting is October 23rd at the Norseman Brewery about 5:15PM.

Hope you can make it! We would love to see some new faces!

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AGA Lifetime Member
Mr. Leonard S. Richter, CGFM—Retired
Topeka Chapter—Join Date July 1, 1978

Lifetime Member—Story Add On

Mr. Richter proudly graduated from LaSalle College in 1973. Mr. Richter's federal career spanned 31 years as an accountant and he retired with 34 years including his military time. Len worked for the US Small Business Administration from 1973-1978, the Economic Development Administration from 1978-1981 and the US Coast Guard as a systems accountant from 1981-2004.

Congratulations again to Mr. Len Richter on his AGA Lifetime Member Achievement as well as an accomplished career from all of us @ AGA Topeka Chapter !

Did You Know?

AGA has been approved by Project Management Institute as a Registered Education Provider !

AGA is proud to announce that the Project Management Institute (PMI), the world's largest project management member association, has named AGA as a Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.) effective August 1, 2019. As a R.E.P., AGA is approved by PMI to help project managers achieve and maintain the Project Management Professional (PMP)®, Program Management Professional (PgMP)® and other PMI professional credentials. AGA will be able to provide our membership with Professional Development Units (PMU's), in addition to Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits.

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Financial Systems Summit 2020



To Learn More about FSS 2020 go to:

<https://www.agacgfm.org/FSS/FSS-Home.aspx>

AGA's 2020 Financial Systems Summit (FSS) Planning—AGA wants to hear from you! Voice Your Opinion as AGA gears up for the FSS 2020. What topics do you want to learn about at FSS 2020?

Please complete the short 4 question anonymous survey at this link

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K2F6S6Z>

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**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Topeka Chapter
August 21, 2019**

2019 - 2020

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Members Present:

President, Nicole Malott, CGFM

Secretary, Amy Bloom, MBA

Meeting Location: Norseman Brewery, 5:15PM

◇ Review and Approval of the Past Meeting Minutes (06/26/19). Amy made motion to approve as written, Nicole 2nd the motion. 2 Yea, 0 Nay.

◇ Financials (June/July/Aug) – No activity. Recent CC statement was paid by due date. Amy will check PO Box today (08/22/19).

◇ Website/Newsletter: Awards Recognition/Pics, PDT 2019, lifetime member (Len Richter) to be featured in the August edition of News Flash. Spotlight PDT 2020 (Dallas (Grapevine, TX).

◇ Educational Events: 9/11 – Communications, 10/23 – Internal Controls, 11/20 – Ethics, 2/5 – GASB Update, 3/14 – Improper Payments with more details released later.

◇ PDT 2019 – Takeaways: PDT sessions may be shown (CPE) at PLS as long as a Subject Matter Expert is present to answer questions. NCC and emphasis on new governing structure was focus of discussion as well as repurposing what AGA abbreviation stands for.

◇ Topeka AGA Social Event to be planned – possibly after a 4 CPE PLS event this year.

◇ Next Meeting – September 18th at Norseman Brewery at 5:15PM

◇ Nicole made a motion to adjourn, motion 2nd by Amy Dismissed at 5:55PM.

Internal Control:

Applying ERM Programs to Address Cybersecurity Risks

WEBINAR SPEAKER:

Nick Marinou, Director, Information Technology and Cybersecurity GAO

The audience will hear about GAO’s recent report “Agencies Need to Fully Establish Risk Management Programs and Address Challenges” and learn about practical steps to address report’s key recommendations and build a risk-based approach to cybersecurity. While the topic of ERM has been discussed frequently, the nexus between ERM and cybersecurity is still being defined and tested. The audience will learn about key challenges to establishing a robust and compliant cybersecurity risk management program

Learning objectives:

The attendees have the benefit of hearing from GAO’s report authors on the lessons learned from their research as well as other agency speakers on how to build a roadmap for an effective cybersecurity risk management program. In addition, the participants will understand the importance of the following learning objectives:



- Learn how to manage competing priorities between cybersecurity and operations, such as when operational needs appear to conflict with cybersecurity requirements
- Learn how to implement consistent cybersecurity risk management policies and procedures across an agency
- Learn how to incorporate cyber risks into enterprise risk management, and
- Learn how to establish agencies’ cybersecurity risk management strategies

CPE CREDIT: 2 HOURS

(State boards have final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE credit.)

LOCATION: **Jayhawk Bldg – Senate Room
7th & Jackson; Topeka, Kansas**

REGISTRATION & LUNCH: 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

EVENT: 1:00 pm – 2:50 pm

REGISTRATION FEE*

MEMBERS:	\$30	
NON-MEMBERS:	\$50	
MEDIA	Free	(photo ID required)
FULL-TIME STUDENTS	Free	(photo ID required)

***Registration includes lunch**

Upcoming Events:

November 20th – Ethics – 4 CPE

February 5th – GASB Update – 2 CPE

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What is CGFM?



Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

What are the initial requirements?

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

Maintaining CGFM Certification

To retain the CGFM certification, all CGFMs must adhere to the AGA's [Code of Ethics](#). In addition, to continue using the CGFM designation after their name, CGFMs must be in an active status.

Active Status

To maintain the CGFM certification in an active status, CGFMs are required to:

- Pay the CGFM renewal fee by the due date every year.
- Complete at least 80 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects (within the designated two-year cycle).
- Maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed.

By submitting their annual renewal payment, CGFMs affirm that they have and will continue to abide by AGA's [Code of Ethics](#) and that they have fulfilled the [minimum CPE Requirements](#).