



SOUTHERN
WISCONSIN
CHAPTER



Monthly Footnotes

MARCH 2021



Welcome Members & Non-Members

Wednesday, March 24 Webinar

1:00–2:50 P.M. | 2 CPE

TOPIC: Cybersecurity/ERM

Building Organizational Resilience through the Integration of Cybersecurity Risk Management (CRM) with Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)

SPEAKER: Julie Chua - Governance, Risk and Compliance Director, HHS

Melinda Stine - CIG, CFSA, CICA, PMP, Chief Inspector General, State of Florida

Kevin Stine - Chief of Applied Cybersecurity Division, NIST and Acting Chief Cybersecurity Advisor to the NIST Director, NIST

MODERATOR: Nahla Ivy - Enterprise Risk Management Officer, NIST

Register by e-mail (sherri-aga@hotmail.com) by 1 pm on Friday, March 19, 2021.

COST: free for AGA members
\$10 for non-members

PLACE: Virtual for 2021 program year

Note: The AGA Chapter signs up for a group webinar license. We are allowed 30 login slots.

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Cybersecurity/ERM

Building Organizational Resilience through the Integration of Cybersecurity Risk Management (CRM) with Enterprise Risk Management

March 24 | 1:00–2:50 PM | 2 CPEs | FOS: IT

Program Level: Overview

Prerequisite: None

Advance Preparation: None required

Field of Study: Information Technology (IT)

The current environment has resulted in significant changes in the way business is conducted, education is provided, and how we live our lives — all facilitated by the increased use of technology. While the evolution and sophistication of technology has benefitted society, it has also increased risks and vulnerabilities that are being exploited by cybercriminals. Telework and virtual learning have further widened the cyberattack footprint and augmented concerns for risk management and privacy.

Learning Objectives

- Learn the basics of ERM as a best practice in organizational preparedness for CRM.
- Gain understanding of CRM and ERM as critical components in managing and responding to evolving threat environments, including the current cyber landscape.
- Explore tactical steps to consider in mitigating cyber risks through a comprehensive integration of CRM into ERM.
- Examine best practices described in recent publications, including the NISTIR 8286, Integrating Cybersecurity and Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), applicable to both government and the private sector.

Speakers

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA

It has been a strange year indeed. I miss seeing everyone at lunch meetings and webinars.

In the meantime, the chapter board is working to adapt to the current environment. With the second year of our annual Symposium being cancelled at Union South, we are branching out into the virtual world. This year will be all virtual! On the plus side, the software will handle session check-in, polls to track attendance, and will even issue the CPE certificates after the data is reviewed.

I want to wish all the Certified Government Financial Managers (CGFMs) in our chapter a very happy CGFM month! We have 23 CGFM or CGFM-Retired members.

We have two webinars coming up. See below for the dates and content. Also, AGA National has a free Members Only webinar on March 17 for 1.5 CPE: Resiliency: Your Mindset, Your Mission and Your Triumph. Take advantage of the great membership benefit! <https://www.agacgfm.org/Webinars/2020-2021-Webinars/March-Members-Only-Webinar.aspx>

And speaking of membership benefits, it is renewal season. I'm sure AGA National has been in touch...

Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA



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**TO RECOGNIZE THE CGFM PROGRAM AND ITS
ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AGA HAS DECLARED THE MONTH OF
MARCH "CGFM MONTH"**

CELEBRATING 27 YEARS OF CGFM EXCELLENCE



**Official Southern Wisconsin Chapter AGA “March is CGFM Month” Proclamations:
State of Wisconsin - Governor Tony Evers and
City of Madison - Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway.**

For the past fourteen-years, thanks to the initiative and dedication of AGA regional and chapter leaders, states and local governments have been declaring March CGFM month. This project is a great example of AGA leadership and teamwork and continues to help spread the word about the CGFM Program. Your AGA Southern WI Chapter is proud to continue this tradition in 2021.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Southern Wisconsin Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) is a professional organization belonging to the Association of Government Accountants, which has more than 15,000 members in 100 chapters in the United States and around the world, and approximately 90 active members representing state, federal, municipal, and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter members have responded to AGA's mission of Advancing Government Accountability, as it continues its broad educational efforts, with emphasis on high standards of conduct, honor, and character in its Code of Ethics, and are making significant advances both in professional ability and in service to the citizens of Wisconsin by mastering increasingly technical and complex requirements, and

WHEREAS, the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program of AGA provides a means of demonstrating professionalism and competency by requiring CGFM candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history and to pass a three-part examination requiring expertise in the Governmental Environment, Governmental Financial Management and Control, and Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Budgeting, and requires each CGFM holder to maintain certification by completing comprehensive training sessions totaling 80 hours over a two-year period.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, I, Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, on behalf of the residents of Madison, Wisconsin do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2021** as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

in the City of Madison.



Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

Signed and sealed this 12th day of November, 2020 at City Hall

State of Wisconsin Proclamation

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, facilitated by the Association of Government Accountants (AGA), the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program certifies professionalism and competency in governmental accounting, financial reporting, auditing, and budgeting at the federal, state, and local level; and

WHEREAS, CGFM candidates are required to pass a three-part examination requiring expertise in the governmental environment, governmental financial management and control, and governmental accounting, financial reporting, and budgeting, and to maintain certification by completing comprehensive training sessions totaling 80 hours over a two-year period; and

WHEREAS, the AGA is a professional organization with more than 15,000 members in 100 chapters throughout the United States and around the world, and the state of Wisconsin recognizes the Southern Wisconsin Chapter and its approximately 90 active members who represent state, federal, municipal, and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers across our state; and

WHEREAS, members of the AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter have responded to the organization's mission of advancing government accountability by continuing broad educational efforts, emphasizing high standards of conduct, honor, and character, and mastering increasingly technical and complex requirements; and

WHEREAS, this month, the state of Wisconsin joins the AGA and the AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter in recognizing the certified government financial managers in our communities who work tirelessly to serve Wisconsinites across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in
the City of Madison this 10th day of
February 2021.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Ethics Webinar

Building Organizational Resilience through the Integration of Cybersecurity Risk Management (CRM) with Enterprise Risk Management

April 7 | 1:00–2:50 PM | 2 CPEs | FOS: BETH

Program Level: Overview

Prerequisite: None

Advance Preparation: None required

Field of Study: Behavioral Ethics (BETH)

This participant-interactive session will explain the Yellow Book's Threats and Safeguards approach to remaining ethical and then examine some recent real-world ethics cases in other professions.

Participants will be able to discuss each case and weigh in on:

- What ethical principles were involved (and why they are important)?
- Were the "right" decisions made?
- Were there better solutions?
- Why were those involved blind to the ethical conundrums?
- What are the lessons for accountability professionals?

These cases will illustrate why it is sometimes easy to fall prey to ethical transgressions and how we, as accountability professionals, can train ourselves to avoid ethics traps..

Learning Objectives

At the end of the webinar, participants will be able to:

- Gain an understanding of the Yellow Book's Threats and Safeguards approach to resolving ethical dilemmas.
- Learn to recognize "threats" to remaining ethical.
- Assess the ethical principles of other professions and compare them to our profession's principles.
- See the ramifications of failing to remain ethical.
- Understand how the Threats and Safeguards approach relates to the AGA Code of Ethics.

Speakers

Melinda DeCorte, CGFM, CPA, CFE, PMP, Partner, Cotton & Company LLP

Dave Cotton, CGFM, CPA, CFE, Chairman, Cotton & Company

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2021 ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM

**43rd ACCOUNTING AND
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

All Virtual for 2021--Brochure Coming Soon

CPE CREDITS 7 HOURS

Wednesday -- May 19, 2021

The Association of Government Accountants
Advancing Government Accountability

Wednesday, May 19, 2021
8:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Objective: The intended audience is financial managers, controllers, treasurers, auditors, IT personnel, and accountability professionals whose responsibilities involve governmental accountability and financial management. This conference will explore current problems encountered in the public sector, inform of public policies and emerging issues, and provide managerial techniques to affect positive change. The 43rd Annual Accounting and Financial Management Conference continues the Association of Government Accountant's commitment to a planned program of professional education and development for public sector financial managers.

Format: Lecture, Question & Answer
Level: Update/Overview
CPE Credits: 7 hours
Fee: AGA Member \$30
Non-Member \$60
Retired AGA Member \$15

Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Meeting Date 3/2/2021

Treasurer's Report Balance as of 3/2/2021 \$15,556.80

Membership 67 members, 1 new member.

Web Site Website still down; need to decide on new plan soon

Virtual Meeting Platform

The Chapter has been studying the software available from National, AGA Partnership with Conferences i/o. To work with a chapter in WV that has been using the software successfully to address questions and concerns, need to determine how to handle speakers and content other than PowerPoint. In the near future will do a test session of the software.

Chapter Recognition Program

Updating bylaws for the Achievements in Chapter Excellence (ACE) program.

Newsletter

March newsletter should be completed and sent out by 3/8/2021.

National/Regional Updates It is time to renew.

CGFM

March is CGFM Month, proclamation from Mayor received, still waiting for paper proclamation from the Governor to include in March newsletter.

Education

Discussion of speakers, topics, and price for the May 19, 2021 Symposium.

Symposium brochure completed by 4/7/21, to be included with April Newsletter.

2022 Symposium date set for May 11, 2022.

Upcoming Board Meetings May 4, June 8

WI Public Media announces an immediate full-time Accountant opening

Accountant

Location: Madison, WI

The Accountant performs advanced accounting duties following generally accepted accounting principles and procedures for PBS Wisconsin and Wisconsin Public Radio, jointly known as Wisconsin Public Media (WPM), and non-profit organizations that support WPM: Friends of PBS Wisconsin and Wisconsin Public Radio Association. Prepares and reviews financial reports and assists with budgeting. Ensures the accurate recording and reporting of financial transactions. The position reports to the Director of Finance for WPM and is responsive to Friends of PBS Wisconsin Finance Manager.

See more detail at <https://pbswisconsin.org/jobs/accountant/>

NATIONAL NEWS

Renew Early and Be Entered in Our Drawing

We love our enterprising people! Renewing early is a huge help to AGA because it saves postage and other costs. As a thank you, all AGA members who renew early are entered in a drawing for a free virtual PDT registration. **Three lucky members** who renew before **March 15** will be selected to attend AGA's premier training and networking event.

[renew now](#)

It's Time to Nominate Individuals Who Make Difference!

Nominations for the 2021 PDT Chapter and Individual Awards of Distinction are now being accepted. The nomination period closes on **March 29**.

[nominate now](#)

Government Finance Case Challenge Winners

Congratulations to our 2020 Government Finance Case Challenge winners on preparing outstanding Citizen-Centric Reports and video presentations on the City of Urbandale, Iowa!

- Graduate Team Winner: University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Undergraduate Team Winner: CUNY College of Staten Island

Visit AGA's Government Finance Case Challenge website to view our winning teams, their reports and videos.

[learn more](#)

WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME



AGA offers a platform for those to create, communicate and to share many talents with a purpose to learn.

Alexandra M. Weimorts
Bureau Chief, Financial & Support Services
Florida Department of Financial Services



Improper Payments
March 3 | 2–3:50 p.m. ET
2 CPEs | FOS:AUDG

WEBINARS
wherever you are

AGA’s FMSB Comments on FASAB EDs Addressing Leases

AGA’s Financial Management Standards Board (FMSB) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments to the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) on the joint exposure draft on the Federal Financial Accounting technical release entitled *Implementation Guidance for Leases* and the Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards, *Omnibus Amendments to Leases-Related Topics*.

[read more](#)

FREE CPEs — Register for the Women’s Council Webinar

Join AGA for the first free members-only webinar of 2021. This popular annual panel hosts inspiring, accomplished women leaders from different levels of government to offer insights from their career journeys. This webinar will address leadership challenges, including team-building that prioritizes the inclusion of all contributors.

[learn more and register](#)

WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME



“ Being an AGA member has provided exposure to leadership training and opportunities not found anywhere else. The CGFM certification has been very beneficial to my career too. The training requirements encourage continued professional development. AGA is a space for engagement, networking and growth. ”

Giovanni Smith, CGFM
Accounting Officer
EOP



Cybersecurity/ERM

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2 CPEs | FOS: IT

WEBINARS
wherever you are

Alan Skelton Named GASB Director of Research and Technical Activities

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) announced the appointment of Alan Skelton as director of research and technical activities. Skelton will begin his new duties on April 1. He replaces David R. Bean, who will retire on March 31 after more than 30 years of service as GASB director.

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Calendar of Events 2020 – 2021

September 1, 2020 Board Meeting – virtual

September 2, 2020 AGA Members Only Webinar – Build a Positive Workplace Environment - Even In a COVID-19 World!, noon to 1:00 CT

October 6, 2020 Board Meeting – virtual

October 7, 2020 AGA Webinar – Internal Control/Improper Payments, 1:00-2:50 pm CT

November 4, 2020 AGA Webinar – Ethics, 1:00-2:50 pm CT

November 10, 2020 Board Meeting – virtual

January 12, 2021 Board Meeting – virtual

February 2, 2021 Board Meeting– virtual

March 2021 Declared as CGFM Month

March 2, 2021 Board Meeting– to be determined

March 17, 201 AGA Members Only Webinar-Resiliency: Your Mindset, Your Mission and Your Triumph, 1.5 CPE, FREE, 1-2:15 CT
March 24, 2021 AGA Webinar – Cybersecurity/ERM, 1:00-2:50 pm CT

April 6, 2021 Board Meeting – virtual
April 7, 2021 AGA Webinar – Ethics, 1:00-2:50 pm CT

May 4, 2021 Board Meeting – virtual
May 19, 2021 Annual Spring Symposium



June 8, 2021 Board Meeting – virtual

Note: Community service, VITA, and social events will be announced during the year.

*** Dates, topics, and locations subject to change as information that is more detailed becomes available. ***



Chapter Officers and Directors 2020 – 2021

President – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, UWSA, sherri-aga@hotmail.com, 608-576-6473

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Historian – Vacant

Membership Chair – Vacant

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Awards Chair – Vacant

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Community Service Chair – To be announced

CGFM Chair – To be announced

NCC Representative – Andrew Stovich, CGFM, astovich@isotropic.network

Directors

