

Northern Arizona Chapter of Enrolled Agents

Minutes of Meeting of August 8, 2017

The Northern Arizona Chapter of Enrolled Agents held its meeting at the Gurley Street Grill, Prescott. In attendance were **Amiee Benson, Jean Canoose, Bruce Eldredge, Jean Emery, Bruce Hosler, Jason Hosler, Linda James, Randy Loftin, Cindy Nelson, Arlene Rheinfelder, Stephanie Sterling, Drury Sylvester and Jack Wood.** Attending as a first-time guest **Ernie Gallardo**, who has been an Enrolled Agent for 5 years.

The meeting was called to order at 11:30, with **Cindy Nelson** presiding.

The minutes of the July meeting had been emailed and were passed out at the meeting. Bruce Eldredge made a motion to approve the minutes; Jean Canoose seconded. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: **Linda James** presented the Treasurer's Report. For the month ended July 31, 2017, the bank balance was \$4,868.80. Included in the balance is \$ 875 for prepaid meals. During July, in addition to \$319 of dues/meals income, 10 individuals became Chapter "Members" at annual dues of \$50 each. Jason Hosler moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, and Cindy Nelson seconded his motion. The report was approved.

Old Business: **Jean Emery** noted that the survey of EAs in the area who do not attend Chapter meetings is ready to be mailed / emailed.

Jack Wood briefly discussed a **Fall CPE event** for the Chapter, tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 24, from 10:00 AM until 3:30 PM. It will be held at the Gurley Street Grill. We expect 5 hours of CPE. More information to follow.

Continuing Education: **Jason Hosler** presented a lively and interactive topic, called **Tax Court Case Discussion.** Jason presented the fact patterns from six tax cases, ranging from a business that wanted to deduct expenses for feeding its cats to whether President Trump could fire Tax Court justices. Jason divided the attendees into two groups, and each group discussed the cases as they were presented, and then reported on how the Court probably decided the case. Then Jason gave us the rest of the story, with a brief overview of the opinion of the Court. Great job, Jason!

Cindy Nelson suggested that the Chapter have a **Breakfast Roundtable** on Tuesday, September 12 in lieu of the usual luncheon meeting. The event will be held at the **Prescott Family Diner, at 520 Miller Valley Road, Prescott**. We will meet at 8:00 AM. Attendees will order from the menu. Chapter members who have pre-paid for meeting meals will have no charge. Others will pay \$10. The Treasurer will pay the bill. **There will be no formal CPE at this event. If you plan to attend this Breakfast Roundtable, please contact Jack Wood no later than 2:00 PM on Monday, September 11. Jack's number is (928) 771-1120, and his email is jackwoodea@gmail.com.**

The next meeting is the **Breakfast Roundtable on September 12, 2017**, at the Prescott Family Diner at 8:00 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Wood, EA

Secretary