

**IOWA MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
MARCH 14, 2026**

The IMFOA Board of Directors met at the Des Moines Holiday Inn Airport/Conference Center at 8:32 a.m. with President Brian Weuve presiding. The following Board Members were present: Brian Weuve, Darryl Ten Pas, Christina Eicher, Dawn Siebken (who joined electronically), Jodie Flaherty, Andy Lent, Ann Van De Walle, Trish Gleason, Tricia Maiers, and Ann Wingerter. Absent: Erin Learn. Those with voting rights were Brian, Darryl, Christina, Dawn, Andy, Jodie, Tricia, and Ann V.

Also present: Grace Hillock (who joined electronically).

MINUTES

Jodie moved, Christina seconded, to approve January 16, 2026, minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Christina moved, Tricia seconded, to approve the January and February Treasurer's Reports with a correction to the year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Tricia moved, Christina seconded, to approve the January & February Disbursements Report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES UPDATE

Grace commented that the conference registrations are going well from the League's perspective. She also stated that new clerks seem appreciative of IMFOA and do not feel they are on their own.

IIMC UPDATE

Trish stated that the regional mid-year meeting was held prior weekend, in Bloomington, MN. There was an Athenian Dialogue facilitated by a gentleman from the Netherlands.

IMFOA COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Nomination Committee – Tricia stated that they have three candidates that will be interviewed soon. She and Trish will be doing the interviews as Erin is unavailable.
- Conference Committee – Brian stated that they met two time prior to the board meeting and one of those meetings was with Barb Reynolds from the Holiday Inn. Barb let them know of additional services available. They will meet one more time before the conference.
- First-Timers – Jodie stated that they have met with Sara Shonrock about having a session at the October conference.

IMFOA CERTIFICATION CREDIT PROCESS AMENDMENT

It was recommended that the Municipal Professional Academy (MPA) requirement for certification be reduced to eight credits only. Participants will be required to pay the full fee for MPA but this will give some flexibility to eliminate costs for hotels, etc.

Andy moved, Christina seconded, to reduce the MPA requirement for certification to eight credit hours. All in favor. Motion carried.

HOTEL CONTRACT RENEWAL

Brian presented the new hotel contract. Changes are:

- We will receive an AV credit of \$2,000 in place of the \$6 per room rebate.
- Room rates will increase \$13 for 2027 and \$3 for 2028.
- Contract is for two years. The hotel is working on getting information on the third year which will be approved later.

Tricia moved, Jodie seconded, to approve the contract for the Airport Holiday Inn through 2028. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEB WHEATLEY-FIELD SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

The Board reviewed revisions to the document which will be further refined. It was suggested that the scholarship be for reimbursement of conference/hotel charges be changed to cities with a population of 1,000 or less. An application will be created.

GFOA SCHOLARSHIP FOR CPFO PROGRAM

Andy provided information on two complementary scholarships through Government Finance Officers Association. The scholarships are for two years of enrollment in the Certified Public Finance Officer Certification Program.

Tricia moved, Ann V. seconded, to determine guidelines to promote the scholarships. All in favor. Motion carried.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION COMP POLICY

Tricia moved, Jodie seconded, to not allow any comped conference registrations except as outlined in the By-laws. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026-2027 BOARD MEETING DATES

Darryl provided dates for in-person Board meetings for 2026-2027. The meeting in Sioux Center will be held July 31- August 1, 2026. He will update the schedule with the teleconference dates.

BOARD GOAL SETTING/STRATEGIC PLANNING PROPOSAL

The two facilitators that were contacted are:

- Midwest Municipal Consulting, Elizabeth Hansen
- Iowa State University Extension, Soneeta Manra-Dutche

Elizabeth has provided a contract with the amount of \$2,450. The Board will wait until we hear back from ISU Extension before deciding.

SPRING 2026 CONFERENCE PLANNING (APRIL 15-17, 2026)

The board reviewed planning for the Spring 2026 Conference.

- a. Highlights of the Session Topics/Planning Worksheet were:

- The IT Cybersecurity and the Certification Process Updates need to be swapped on the planning worksheet.
 - We need someone for the Invocation. Since there is not a banquet it was felt a retiree should not be brought in.
 - There are questions about the Excel training. They are different topics and Intermediate Excel will be different than in the training in the fall.
 - First-timers will meet in Room 397 since the vendors will be in the Ballroom.
 - Tricia will work on the QR codes for the different sessions and the League needs to update QR code for the program.
 - The Annual Meeting items were discussed.
 - Discussion of when the Audit Committee will audit the IMFOA books was discussed.
 - Resource tables were discussed.
 - Increase hours at the Registration Desk on Wednesday to 4:45 p.m.
 - The Conference Committee will meet one more time before the conference.
- b. Women in Public Finance walk – the Board was in favor of the walk but will not promote it.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting will be held in Des Moines on April 17, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Tricia moved, Jodie seconded, to adjourn at 10.03 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Wingerter
Secretary/Treasurer