



# GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF SC

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## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT



by JENNIFER BROUGHTON, 2016 GFOASC PRESIDENT

### GREETINGS MEMBERS & FRIENDS,

Happy New Year! 2016 was a great year for our organization with a broad array of continuing education programs and timely issues.

We had gorgeous, beautiful southern weather and hospitality for our Spring and Fall Conferences, which always seem to provide a great mix of professional education topics.

This year's Board of Directors were a lively group with many great ideas intended to strengthen and further the mission of our association. They have made great strides and continue to work on such issues as policy and procedure clarifications with our bylaws and our certification guidelines, enhanced membership marketing, developing job descriptions for our directors and officers, continues to make voting easy, added a blog to the website with information coming soon to members, and worked to offer many scholarships for newcomers and new CGFOs. These and other efforts by this year's Board will continue to add value and credibility to our association.

I would like to thank the conference chairs and the board for wonderful conferences this year. I'd like to also thank the Committee Chairs for their hard work and dedication to this organization:

#### THE 2016 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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| Nominating Committee<br>– Breta Rheney      | Professional Ethics Committee<br>– Stacey Hamm  |
| Membership Committee<br>– Carrie Johnson    | Spring Committee<br>– Sheila Smith              |
| Program Committee<br>– Ian MacLean          | Fall Committee<br>– Kristina Junker–            |
| Financial Review Committee<br>– Kevin Yokim | Newsletter Committee<br>– Vicki Bowles          |
| Certification Committee<br>– Angie McInchok | Policies & Procedures Committee<br>– Matt Evans |
| Scholarship Committee<br>– Donna Sullivan   |   |

An extra special thank you to the members of our organization that served on these committees.

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Now, I have passed the torch to my very capable successor, Kristina Junker will do a fine job. It has been an action-packed, enlightening, and satisfying year. I am indeed thankful that I have been blessed with a wonderful opportunity to work alongside some hardworking and delightful folks. My heartfelt thanks go out to the 2016 Board and to Associations Plus.

**THE 2016 GFOASC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES...

KRISTINA JUNKER – President-Elect

BRETA R. RHENEY – Immediate Past President

SARAH SULLIVAN – Treasurer

JESSICA LEE – Secretary

MATT EVANS – State Representative

DONNITA SMITH – Director

SHEILA SMITH – Director

JUAN SIMS – Director

DONNA SULLIVAN – Director

The 2016 and 2017 Board of Directors have met to begin planning for the 2017 year for GFOASC.

A special thank you to the nominating committee members: Breta Rheney Nicole Mandazou, Lori Thomas and Larry Sapp.

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With extreme gratitude for serving as President of GFOASC,

**Jennifer Broughton,**  
2016 GFOASC President

# 2016 FALL CONFERENCE RECAP

by KRISTINA JUNKER, 2016 GFOASC PRESIDENT-ELECT/ FALL CONFERENCE CHAIR  
 THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF SC



*Sunjay Nath, keynote speaker, inspires the finance officers.*

## THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO ATTENDED THE 2016 FALL CONFERENCE!

The theme of this year's conference was "The Great Balancing Act" and my goal for the conference was that each person who attended would return to their home and place of employment with inspiration and ideas for keeping every aspect of their life "in balance". I would like to personally thank the Fall Conference Committee, the GFOASC Board of Directors, and our Sponsor Coordinator Deborah Nye, for all of their hard work while planning and during the conference. This amazing group of individuals really helped to keep me balanced during this year long planning process! The members of the 2016 Fall Conference Committee were: Jan Alonso, Karl Boston, Jennifer Broughton, Kendra Dove, Matt Evans, Angela Graham, James Hayes, Dennis Locke, Craig Luccy, Deborah Nye, Breta Rheney, Larry Sapp, Suzette Senn, Donnita Smith, Sheila Smith, Donna Sullivan, Sarah Sullivan, Debbie Walker and Kevin Yokim.

We had many exciting changes for this year's conference including registration fee scholarships for the first 15 registrants, as well as registration fee scholarships for those receiving the CGFO certificate at the conference. Overall, 25 attendees were able to attend the conference with a GFOASC registration fee scholarship – contributing to this being one of the highest attended conferences in recent years!

In addition, sponsorships were up this year, as we welcomed a new Platinum Sponsor, Three + One Advisors, as well as many new sponsors at the other levels. The other Platinum Sponsors were TD Bank, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, and Wells Fargo. Without these



*Kristina Junker awards Jennifer Broughton with the GFOASC President's Plaque.*



*Ray Jones with Parker Poe. We have great speakers for Sunday afternoon sessions.*



*Attendees enjoying networking with our great sponsors..*



*A mardi gras celebration.*

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amazing sponsors and the help of our Sponsor Coordinator, Deborah Nye, this conference would not be possible!

The conference kicked off with a game showed themed general session on Bond Basics on Sunday afternoon. Many attendees said it was one of their favorite sessions of the conference. I highly recommend arriving to the conference in time for the first session on Sunday, as you never know what to expect and it is a great way to squeeze in two additional CPE credits. We had a festive Mardi Gras themed dinner with entertainment on Sunday night to round out the opening day activities.

Our keynote general session speaker, Sunjay Nath, inspired us with his discussion on the 10-80-10 principle. Other general session topics included, FLSA Overtime Update, Who is a Fiduciary, Turning Over Every Stone, Preparing for the New OPEB Accounting Standards, Marketing and Credit Trends in the Municipal Finance Industry, How Millennials are Changing Payments and Processes, The Economic and Financial Outlook, Minimizing Fraud in the Nonprofit Grant Process, and Active Shooter in Today's World. We closed out the conference with a lighthearted talk from humorist Jan Igoe on "The Struggle with the Juggle".

As we move forward into 2017, please look for ways to volunteer and get involved within the organization. Kathryn Masewicz will be chairing the Spring Conference, so mark your calendars to attend on May 1, 2017 in Columbia. There will be several CPE opportunities to take advantage of next year as well. Also, we want to see you at next year's fall conference! Matt Evans, President-Elect, will be chairing this event which will be held at the Marriott Grand Dunes in Myrtle Beach, October 1-4, 2017.



Past Presidents: Missy Coker, Ann Epting, Viola Fuast, Stacy Hamm, Kevin Yokim, Debbie Walker, Dennis Locke, Breta Rheney, and Jennifer Broughton



Congratulations to our newly certified finance officers



2017 GFOASC Board

## SAVE THE DATE

### SPRING CONFERENCE — MAY 1, 2017 COLUMBIA METROPOLITAN CONVENTION CENTER

by KATHRYN MASEWICZ,  
CONTROLLER AT RIVERBANKS ZOO & GARDEN

**THE 2017 SPRING CONFERENCE COMMITTEE** is beginning preparations for the Spring Conference, which will be held May 1 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center in Columbia, SC. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there for a day of learning and connecting with sponsors and fellow finance officers.

I am excited about chairing the Spring Conference. If you have any suggestions for topics, speakers, sponsors, door prizes or any other helpful information for the 2017 Spring Conference please contact the committee at [springconf@gfoasc.org](mailto:springconf@gfoasc.org).



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# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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## STAY UP TO DATE

by CARRIE JOHNSON

It is important that if you change State, Local, Municipal agencies within the year, you must update your demographic information with GFOASC. It is important so you can stay up to date with all communications, conferences, CPE classes and to stay in the know. You can do this simply by emailing Association Plus at Sarah@associationsplus.com

If you would like to refer someone to be a member of GFOASC, please send in their information via email to GFOASC membership@gfoasc.org enter email, phone, etc.



# CPE CLASSES

BY IAN MACLEAN, CPA, CGFO

## **UPCOMING GFOASC CPE CLASSES**

GFOASC will be offering three (3) CPE classes at Midlands Technical College in Columbia, SC between June 2017 and August 2017.

A Continental Breakfast, Lunch and snacks are provided and included in the registration fee. This is a low cost CPE offered by the Association for individuals in need of CPE hours.

Speakers and details for the sessions to be announced soon. Should you have any particular topic, or a particular speaker that you would like to see, please email with details to Ian MacLean at [macleani@midlandstech.edu](mailto:macleani@midlandstech.edu).

Thank you and best regards,

Ian MacLean CPA, CGFO

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# CERTIFICATIONS

by ANGIE MCINCHOK, Certification Committee

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## CERTIFICATIONS

Congratulations! At our Fall Conference, we recognized the following members for obtaining their CGFO certification. What an accomplishment!

**SHEALYN BARNES** – Staff Accountant with Greenwood County Treasurer’s Office

**ALLISON BARRS** – Assistant Deputy Treasurer with Lexington County Treasurer’s Office

**ASHTON BLOCKER** – Assistant Finance Manager with Joint Municipal Water and Sewer Commission

**ALAN EISENMAN** – Senior Accountant for City of Beaufort

**SUMMER GAGNON** – Accountant II for City of Aiken

**KELLY GHENT** – IT Senior Manger with State Treasurer’s Office

**SARAH JENKINS** – Senior Accountant for Lancaster County

**NATHANIEL LLOYD, JR.** – Budget Analyst for Department of Public Safety

**AMY RISHER** – Finance Director for City of Walterboro

**IVEY SMOAK IV** – Accounting Manager for Colleton County

**CARLA SPIRES** – Budget and Reporting Manager for SC Judicial Department

### REMINDER CGFOS!

Your 2016 CPE Reports are due on February 28, 2017. The reporting form can be found on our website. Please mail the completed form to:

GFOASC  
Certification Records  
PO Box 8840  
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TREASURER'S REPORT

## STRONG REVENUE

by SARAH SULLIVAN, GFOASC Treasurer

Thanks to all of you for such a great year!!! The November bank balance was over \$194,000. The organization has had a very strong year. The board voted this past year to increase scholarship funding to allow for 2 CGFO scholarships and free conference registration for 15 first time attendees. The 2017 board will be reviewing new ways to use the revenue of the organization to benefit the members.

I would like to say thanks to Associations Plus. We have worked with Sarah Gray and several other team members from this organization and they have done a tremendous job of tracking GFOASC's receivables, working with conference registrations, and supporting the overall well-being of the organization.

I want to say also that I am proud to be your treasurer. GFOASC has been a wonderful organization to be a part of and has definitely benefited me in my career and personal life. I look forward to working with you again next year.





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