

Meeting Notes
AGA Quarterly Education Call for Ohio/Michigan
April 1, 2009

Attendees:

Barbara Bail, Education Co-chair, Greater Columbus
Joe Jozefczyk, National Education Chair
Bekka Gehrmann, Education Manager
Donna Wolfe, Regional Coordinator for Education

1. Welcome
2. New Education Brochure – available online at www.agacgfm.org. Copies will be distributed at the Sectional Leadership Meeting (SLM).
3. Education chairs should be receiving Topics and the AGA Insider – Joe will check on firewall issues. Barbara suggested we try to send material to personal e-mail addresses.
4. National PDC – both hotels sold out. AGA hoping for a good turnout.
5. Only 2 SLMs will be held this year – reducing costs by limiting number of National staff members attending. Trying to encourage new/incoming chairs to attend these events.
6. Stimulus package – impacts state and local governments' ability to fund training.
7. April 22 – new audio conference added on GAO's Role in the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009. Reduced rates for registering early. Contact Maria Lucas at 800.AGA.7211, ext. 308, or mlucas@agacgfm.org for more info.
8. Discussed plans for local PDCs:
 - a. Greater Columbus held mini PDO March 19 – had 125 attendees.
 - b. Cleveland's joint AGA/ASMC Spring Seminar is planned for April 22.
 - c. Joe offered assistance in securing support from corporate sponsors.