

Wyoming Chapter of ARMA
2017 February General Meeting Minutes
Cross Content Certifications for RIM Professionals,
Wyoming State Library, Cheyenne, WY
February 14, 2017

Note: These minutes are abridged

Members:Carolynn Coy, Donna Crock, Pat Newbern, Barbara Thomasee, April Peregoy, Janie Wait, Lori Stephens, Terry Hinkle, Doretta Leake, and Liz Garcia,

Guest: Rhoda Priest

The meeting began at 11:30 a.m.

WYARMA Board member and owner of Intermountain Records Center, Inc., Janie Wait, attempted to help members with this decision in her presentation on "Cross Content Certifications for RIM Professionals," which she gave at the Wyoming Chapter of ARMA's February General Meeting held at the Wyoming State Library in Cheyenne on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

The meeting was also offered virtually, and there were several attendees who signed on to find out more about these certifications. President Carolynn Coy started the meeting with an attendee introduction. She then gave the attendees some tips on how to use the ARMA International website to access the membership directory as well as the Sessions of the Month.

As part of her presentation, Wait explained there are four major certifications available for RIM professionals: the CRM, IGP, CIP and CIPP. There is significant cross-over content with each certification, so when studying for one, you can attain knowledge that will contribute to your success with qualifying for the others.

However, Wait noted the expense to obtain and then maintain all four certifications is quite high. Whether the certifications are worth the costs is something each individual will have to determine for him/herself. A lively discussion ensued on the potential job opportunities for each certification in the area, and whether the career development benefits are worth the certification costs.

Wait also proposed that Wyoming ARMA members start a study group for those who want to pursue certification. Since she already has her CRM, she said she would be happy to lead a study group for those seeking that certification. However, if there is more interest in the IGP, she would also be willing to study for that along with the other students. Wait will follow up with members on her suggestion following the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Carolynn Coy