



**Leadership Conference
Spring Meeting
Wednesday, April 29, 2026
Oklahoma City, OK
AGENDA**

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION LEADERS
8:00	Welcome and Introductions Antitrust Statement	
8:15	CMAC – COPAS Mentoring Program	Robyn Tarnowski & Stephanie Schwindt
	<u>Description</u> This session will give a brief history of the COPAS Mentoring and Advisory Committee, and highlight our successes and learnings from the last several years. We will also brainstorm ideas for future events, encourage members to consider volunteering on the committee, and give space for members to share their first timer or mentor experiences. <u>Learning Objectives:</u> 1. Recall the COPAS Mentoring and Advisory Committee’s goals. 2. Discuss ways to improve the program and foster engagement between first timers and mentors. <u>Program Level:</u> Basic <u>Pre-requisite:</u> None <u>Advance Preparation:</u> None <u>Delivery Method:</u> Group Live <u>Field of Study:</u> Business Management & Organization <u>CPE Credits:</u> 1	
9:20	Break	
9:40	The Human Side of Numbers	Sara Chadil
	<u>Description</u> This session will lead us through storytelling through our data in oil and gas accounting, and how to use our data to ‘speak their language’ when communicating across teams. <u>Learning Objectives:</u> 1. Reframe accounting as narrative interpretation rather than mere data reporting. 2. Translate complex financial analysis into clear, relatable messages. 3. Recognize how empathy and curiosity improve judgment, reconciliation, and collaboration. 4. Apply storytelling frameworks to variance, reconciliation, and reporting discussions.	

Program Level: Basic
Pre-requisite: None
Advance Preparation: None
Delivery Method: Group Live
Field of Study: Specialized Knowledge
CPE Credits: 1

10:30 Break

10:45 Data and Analytics Panel

Kenny Graves

Description

This session is meant to be a guided Q&A for discussing tools, AI, and how we can interpret and formulate prompts to get the best results from the tools.

Learning Objectives:

1. Recall the tools available and how they relate to oil and gas accounting.
2. Formulate prompts for AI that will provide useable outputs.

Program Level: Basic
Pre-requisite: None
Advance Preparation: None
Delivery Method: Group Live
Field of Study: Information Technology
CPE Credits: 1

11:45 Adjourn



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