

EMPOWERING WOMEN

EMPOWERMENT | VISION | GOALS

VISION

The NAWMBA Friends University Chapter will host local and regional events throughout the year to provide opportunities for professional women to build knowledge and leadership skills.

MISSION

Dedicated to empowering female business professionals, assisting women into leadership and enhancing the diversity of the workforce.

MEMBERS

Some of the many benefits NAWMBA members receive are as follows:

Education & Professional Development

Mentorship

Networking

Collaboration

Leadership



Chapter Launch

Friends University is pleased to announce the first chapter of the National Association of Women MBAs (NAWMBA) at a private university in Kansas. The NAWMBA Friends University Chapter hosted their chapter launch Tuesday, July 19, featuring Friends University’s president, Dr. Amy Bragg Carey, as their guest speaker.

Michelle Case, MBA program director, welcomed everyone and began the night by sharing Sheryl Sandberg TED Talk.

Providing women with the opportunity to network and collaborate is what NAWMBA is all about. Michelle encouraged us as professional women to show up, be willing to listen, engage in conversation and speak up.

Together we can make change happen and have a positive impact on the Wichita community.



Sheryl Sandberg

o Out of 190 heads of state - nine are women.

o Of all of the people in parliament in the world-13% are women.

o In the corporate sector, women at the top, C-level jobs and board seats top out at 15-16%. The numbers have not moved since 2002 and they are going in the wrong direction.

o Even in the non-profit world, a world we sometimes think of as being led by women, women top out at 20%.



Michelle introduced the evening’s featured speaker, Dr. Amy Bragg Carey, Friends University president. Dr. Carey joined Friend’s family in July 2015 and has been making a very positive impact on the University over the past year.

She asked the audience to think about a speed boat as it moves forward and leaves a wake behind it. Like the speed boat, we too leave a wake behind us. Dr. Carey asked us to think about a person we worked with and how the organization felt or functioned after that person left. Did they leave order or chaos? Did they build up their team members or did their people feel unappreciated?

“What do you want to leave in your wake?”

With our family, friends, companies, are there things we need to work on and change in order to have a positive impact on those around us?





NAWMBA represents D.C.

NAWMBA Chapter’s VP of Marketing, Diana Carbajal, was not able to attend the chapter launch because she was in Washington D.C. meeting with First Lady, Michelle Obama.

Diana had the opportunity to mentor two students who were selected to attend the Beating the Odds summit hosted by the Mrs. Obama.

Mrs. Obama shared that Diana’s willingness to be present and engage with those around her has made an everlasting impact in these two young women’s lives. Michelle mentioned that the NAWMBA will have mentorship opportunities for members to be mentored and to mentor those around them.



Michelle then introduced Paula Swiggart, NAWMBA Chapter president. Paula welcomed everyone, talked about the Chapter’s mission, goals and introduced the executive leadership team.

The Friends University Chapter will have a variety of events, mixers, workshops and professional development for the remaining year.

NAWMBA serves four related client groups—female MBA students, female business professionals and MBA-level entrepreneurs, universities and corporate partners.



Everyone is invited to the New Member Orientation Meeting Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Please contact Paula Swiggart, NAWMBA President for any membership questions: paula_swiggart@student.friends@.edu

