

September Meeting

Living the (Agile) Dream: How You Can Bring the Core Values of Agile to Life in your Organization

The Agile Manifesto defines four foundational values that are there to guide us in the creation of high-quality, working software:

- Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
- Working software over comprehensive documentation
- Customer collaboration over contract negotiation
- Responding to change over following a plan

Although simple in concept, the reality of living these principles each day can be more challenging. How should I structure my team? How much documentation do we still need? How do I define and manage scope? What is the role of a BA in the Agile world? We will address these questions and more as we provide you with the tools needed to bring Agile to life on your teams.

Be a Part of it!

This interactive session will feature a number of real-world scenarios from Business Analysts, complimented by a panel discussion with professionals who have helped companies transition to Agile and enjoyed success serving with Agile project teams. Meeting attendees will be encouraged to submit their own questions for discussion.

Date & Time

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

5:30 – 8:00 pm

Location

Daugherty Business Solutions

1 Tower Lane

Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

Meeting Agenda

5:30 - 6:00 Registration, Networking, and Light Dinner

6:00 – 6:30 Announcements & Chapter Business

6:30 – 7:30 Evening Presentation

7:30 – 8:00 Closing and Door Prizes

Co-Directors of Elections for 2019-2020

Kris Slaboszewski and Marci Watts have been appointed as Co-Directors of Elections. Watch for more information about the elections and how you can get involved!

Looking ahead: October Meeting

The Role of the Business Analyst in SCRUM

The Scrum guide defines only three roles for an Agile delivery team: a Product Owner, a Scrum Master, and a development team. So what happens to all Business Analysis activities?

Come and join your fellow business analysis practitioner and share your thoughts on how your role has evolved and the challenges your organization is facing. Brainstorm ideas on addressing those challenges and share your opinion on challenges faced by others.

We will have breakout sessions to discuss different topics related to Agile adoption and evolving role(s) of Business Analysts.

Interactive Format

This will be a facilitated discussion hosted by Business Analysis leadership within CNA.

Date & Time

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

5:30 – 8:00 pm

Location

CNA

151 N Franklin St

Chicago, IL 60606

Save the Date for November 6

Boost your BA Career Night

Location: Allstate

IIBA Benefits: Webinars for Members

Archived Webinars

Did you know that the IIBA has an archive of webinars as well as having scheduled ones? Those of us who can't break away for an hour during the work day can watch an archived webinar on our own schedule.

Accomplished BA professionals deliver compelling webinars such as Leadership Development, How to Prepare for Certification, and Fundamentals of Business Analysis. There's something for everyone, so check the schedule regularly!

IIBA Webinars contribute toward your Continuing Development Units (CDUs) for Level 1 ECBA® certification, and toward recertification of the CCBA® and CBAP®.

Sample list of Webinar Topics

- A Journey Towards Building Trust and Alignment in Data and Metrics
- Delivering Value in the Fourth Industrial Revolution
- The 360 Leader and You Panel Discussion
- Decision Modeling for Business Analysts using DMN
- Everyday Meetings: A neglected business Practice?
- Retail Analytics
- Transitioning from Business Analyst to Business Consultant
- Business Data Modeling Made Easy

Many opportunities to get involved!

Be Director of Registration

Would you like to volunteer for the Director of Registration? This position can be shared, so if you can help out some months and not others, we can find a way to make that work. The duties are:

- Arrive at the Chapter meeting around 5:00 pm to set up.
- Bring handout materials and registration table items to the Chapter Meeting.
- Check off attendees as they arrive. Take cash /checks for walk-in attendees. Invite them to take handouts and giveaway items.
- Give the checks / cash to the VP Finance.
- Conduct the door prize drawing.
- Collect the session feedback forms at the Registration table.
- After the chapter meeting, scan the session feedback forms and post to the G-suite Shared Drive.
- Attend Monthly Core Team meeting to coordinate with program plans. [1 hour, usually the third or fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm via a dial in web meeting]

Benefits: You will be eligible to claim CDUs for this volunteer position to help keep your IIBA Certification current.

Talk to any of the Board members or contact David De Witt at president@chicago.iiba.org or (847) 722-3038.

Be a part of the Core Team

Would you like to get more involved with the Chicagoland IIBA Chapter but don't know how? Maybe you have only a little time to give but you aren't sure how to help?

You can find out how you can help with Chapter programs by investing *one hour a month* and join the Chicagoland Chapter Core Team. The Core Team works together to plan and deliver Chapter meetings and other Chapter activities. We usually meet the third or fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:30 – 7:30 pm, via a dial in web meeting.

If you attend, you can share your ideas and help the Chapter grow. You will also be able to volunteer for various activities as we discuss them or just learn about what is going on. As a regular participant in the Core Team you will be eligible to claim CDUs so you can keep your IIBA Certifications current.

We'd love to have you! We will have a sign-up sheet at each Chapter meeting on the Registration Table.

Be an Ambassador

The IIBA Chicagoland Chapter Ambassador Program is designed to improve chapter outreach by recruiting individuals willing to distribute chapter news and other valuable Business Analysis resources to their colleagues.

For more information, contact Greg Kulander at programs@chicago.iiba.org.

BusinessAnalystWorld is the largest series of conferences for Business Analysts in North America. These industry leading events feature expert speakers representing every sector, from all reaches of the globe.

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- Acquire new skills, strategies and best practices
- Connect and expand your professional network

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It's not too late to join the Fall 2019 BABOK Study Group

The BABOK® Guide (v3) study group to support Business Analysis practitioners to prepare for the IIBA™ Certifications kicked off on August 26, 2019. You can still register before the group starts the study materials via <https://chicago.iiba.org/>

The study group will meet on Monday evenings from 5:30pm to 6:30pm (CST) via virtual groups. The structure includes:

- *Started with:* 26th of August 2019 - Kick-off session.
- 9 September to 25 November 2019 - 12 -week walk-through of the BABOK® Guide
- 9th of December 2019 - Close-off session will review the application and exam processes.

IIBA™ Study Materials will be used. Participants will need to provide their own copy of "A Guide to the Business Analysis Body of Knowledge® (BABOK® Guide) v3". This can be purchased at Amazon for approximately \$60. BABOK® Guide v3 is free to IIBA members at iiba.org.

Benefits of participating in this group include a moderated walkthrough of the BABOK® Guide, the opportunity to develop a network and learn from fellow practitioners and finally, access to an affordable review of the BABOK® Guide.

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