



USI's Masters of Public Administration Society Meeting Minutes

Saturday, April 7, 2012

I. Call to Order

Patrick Exmeyer called to order the regular meeting of the Masters of Public Administration Society at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 7, 2012 in Room 115 at Ivy Tech Community College.

II. Roll Call

The following persons were present: Marilyn Brenton, Patrick Exmeyer, Dr. Matt Hanka, Ramona Harvey, Kathy Oeth, and Tricia Tieken

III. Topics Discussed

- a) MPA Apparel: Group decided that for now t-shirts would be a good idea. Going to go through local company. Red will be the color. MPA logo will be on upper left of chest in white. We will get 2 small, 3 medium, 3 larges, 3 x larges, and 2 xx larges. Total is \$111, which includes the 1 time only \$20 setup fee. Patrick to place order on Monday, April 9 and send the MPA society notification of this.
- b) Upcoming Activities:
 - *Keep Evansville Beautiful*: Event to take place Saturday, April 14 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Ivy Tech. There are 4 spots available. Please contact Tricia Tieken at ptieken1@ivytech.edu if interested in participating. Picnic to follow for volunteers from 11 to 2.
 - *USI Spruce Up*: Event to take place Sunday, April 15 at USI. Please contact Marsha Salee at msalee@usi.edu if interested in participating.
- c) Fundraisers/Sponsorships: Looking for ideas to have some fundraisers/sponsorships. Ideas such as book sales, bake sales, yard sale and tutoring were thrown out there. Kathy Oeth to look into a give back night at BWWs.
- d) Signature MPA Annual Event: All present were in agreement for the following:
 - We would like to start an annual event that would be entitled Vote Smart 201X: Presented by the USI MPA Society. This year's event would be in two sessions:
 - Vote Smart 2012: Vanderburgh County Consolidation Efforts
 - This event would be in early September 2012 and is planned to be on a Tuesday evening at USI or other venue if necessary. It would be from 7 to 9 p.m. We would like to be able to sell snacks/drinks to help raise money for the MPA Society. Kathy Oeth is checking if this would be an issue if held at USI. Some plans for this event include: posters for marketing the event, handouts made available for the event, buttons, wristbands, have a moderator such as a local news anchor, have Dr. Hanka do an introduction. Have a pro-consolidation person and an anti- consolidation person to debate and have q and a after. More to be discussed/detailed at next meeting.
 - Vote Smart 2012: Voting and You – Know the Facts
 - This event would be in early October 2012 and is planned to be on a Tuesday evening at USI. It would be from 7 to 9 p. We would like to be able to sell snacks/drinks to help raise money for the MPA Society. Kathy Oeth is checking if this would be an issue if held at USI. Some plans for this event include: posters for marketing the event, handouts made available for the event, buttons, wristbands, have a moderator such as a local news anchor, have Dr. Hanka do an introduction. Have a Republican person and a Democratic person to debate and have q and a after. More to be discussed/detailed at next meeting.



- Hoping we can continue this each fall semester as our big signature event. Could bring up a hot topic of local controversy for the first session in September and an informational voting session in October. Subject to change though.

IV. **Adjournment**

Patrick Exmeyer adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

V. **Next Meeting**

Saturday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Ivy Tech, Room 115 near entrance K