



## ***USI's Masters of Public Administration Society Meeting Minutes***

Saturday, April 21, 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 21, 2012 in Room 115 at Ivy Tech Community College.

### **II. Roll Call**

The following persons were present: Marilyn Brenton, Patrick Exmeyer, Ramona Harvey, Kathy Oeth, Marsha Salee, Patrick Seib, and Tricia Ticken

### **III. Topics Discussed**

- a) Budget: \$240
- b) Review of notes from previous meeting, including:
  - T-shirt orders have been placed with Southwest Grafix. Order was placed by Patrick Exmeyer on April 10, 2012. Estimated completion for the order was two weeks, per sales rep and graphic designer, which puts delivery of the shirts to Southwest Grafix by April 24. Total for the order is \$114.00
  - Reservations have been made for our Cinco de Mayo lunch. The reservations are under the last name "Exmeyer" for 11:30 a.m. on May 5, 2012 at Hacienda on First Avenue.
- c) 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:
    - Mitchell Auditorium is a possibility to be able to see refreshments.
    - Vote Smart 2012: Vanderburgh County Consolidation Efforts
      - This event would be in early September 2012.
        - Logistics – Kathy O.: Going to work on location and date/time. Either Tuesday or Wednesday.
        - Needs:
          - Moderator – Patrick E. and Marilyn B. to look into
          - ID Groups and Organizations (Pro and Con)
          - Overview for 5 to 10 minutes by Dr. Hanka
          - Equitable panel of 3 per side
      - 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.
    - National Election and Candidates:
      - 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



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- ID Contacts for both presidential candidates including HQ in Evansville and websites.
  - Marilyn, Marsha, and Tricia to look into information
- Have a food drive for the Tri-State food bank for this event:
  - Tricia T. to look into
- Have a Republican person and a Democratic person to debate and have q and a after.
  - Vote Smart 2012: Voting and You – Know the Facts
    - Idea was to have a booth outside with this event information.
      - Ramona H. looking into voter information
- 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, June 16 at 10:00 a.m. at Ivy Tech, Room 115 near entrance K