



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

Saturday, January 5, 2013

### **I. Call to Order**

Marilyn Brenton called to order the regular meeting of the Masters of Public Administration Society at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference room at Central Library.

### **II. Roll Call**

Present for Meeting: Marilyn Brenton, Patrick Exmeyer, Dr. Matt Hanka, Marsha Salee, and Tricia Ticken

### **III. Topics Discussed**

1. Treasury update from Marsha: Current total will be \$165.59 after \$79.97 invoice for MPA Debate. Need to collect dues for Spring 2013. Marilyn will try to get onto permissible users for MPA's account at USI.
2. For future events we will get estimates of what costs may be for setup and other miscellaneous needs.
3. Tricia will add Marilyn as an administrator to MPA's Society Facebook page.
4. Tricia will send all MPA meeting minutes to Brandy Hess for uploading to MPA's USI webpage. Tricia will keep a binder which will hold paper copies of all meeting minutes. There will be a section for agendas to be held as well.
5. Orientation for Spring 2013 students will be Saturday, January 12. Current MPA members are encourage to attend. Luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m. in the University Suite in Carter Hall on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. There will be 12 or 13 new students in the Spring 2013 class sessions.
6. Dr. Hanka brought up a possibility of having a MPA video made. Everyone at meeting liked to the idea. More details to come.
7. Marilyn would like to host a get together for all MPA students before the start of Spring 2013's Wednesday night class starting a 5 p.m. on January 16. She will get in contact with Wendy Lemons at USI to see where this could be hosted. Pizza and drinks will be made available.
8. Fundraising: Some ideas include World's Finest Chocolate, Hacienda Give Backs, and Discount Cards. Please be thinking of other fundraising events the MPA Society could do to raise funds.
9. Alumni:
  - a. Doing an Alumni Letter – thought this would be a great way to keep Alumni updated of what our society is doing and asking for donations. This letter could include things that have been done in the 2012 with the MPA Society. Marilyn will check with the USI Foundation Office and possibly the Alumni office to ask for guidelines/help in this endeavor.
  - b. Getting Alumni Testimonies – would be a great way to show what a MPA degree can do for students. These would be a plus in the MPA and MPA Society brochures.
  - c. Orientation – having an Alumnus at orientation would be a great way to show what Alumni are doing and a way for future students to asks questions.
10. Donations: Need to look into how the MPA Society can received private donations. Marilyn to look into with the USI Foundation office.
11. Undergraduates: Need to look into talking to USI undergraduates to get them thinking about a MPA degree for program recruiting.



12. Tricia to look into the MPA Society helping with Keep Evansville Beautiful as a way to help our community.
13. MPA/MPA Society to look into helping the Vanderburgh Humane Society as a project to help this nonprofit organization.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Marilyn Brenton adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

#### **V. Next Meeting**

TBD