

## University of Southern Indiana Master of Public Administration Society Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2013

Present: Marilyn Brenton, Andrea Deutsch, Ramona Harvey, Ken McWilliams, Kathy Oeth, Marsha Salee, and Traci Welp.

The USI MPA Society met November 9, 2013 at Central Library, Evansville. President Marilyn Brenton called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

A motion was made by Ramona Harvey to approve the September 7, 2013 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Marsha Salee.

Vice President Harvey reported there would be an end-of-semester social outing for MPA membership and guests, Thursday, December 19 with a location to be determined.

Treasurer Marsha Salee reported the most recent treasury statement shows \$335.70 in the account. A pending charge of \$98.35 related to the video recording of the leadership series held in Kleymeyer Hall remains outstanding. The treasury total does not include recently paid dues of new members.

## Brochure

President Brenton said she and Susan Sauls have worked on the society brochure and it would be sent by email for review before publication.

## Alumni Event

President Brenton explained the MPA alumni event originally targeted for November will be delayed until spring. The goal of the event is to work through USI Foundation to connect alumni with campus to gain their support for the MPA program and provide a networking opportunity for current MPA students.

The event discussion devolved into a conversation about Facebook groups and pages, fundraising angles, and ideas for how to approach the speaker series, student scholarship support, and other alumni networking opportunities. The following individuals with connections to the USI MPA program were suggested as possible speakers for the continuing speaker series: Maura Robinson, Angela Allen, Ramona Harvey, as they have all authored books and are alum or pending graduates of the MPA program. The discussion was tabled and will be considered for a future agenda.

## **Bylaws and Election of Officers**

The Bylaws have been reviewed by but need to be approved before new MPA officers are elected. Because of significant changes proposed, Vice President Harvey made a motion to meet for s special meeting in two weeks, November 23, to review suggested changes to the Society's Constitution/Bylaws. The motion seconded by President Brenton. The Bylaws review meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. at USI.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Oeth Interim Secretary