



## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 31, 2016

5:15 pm – USI Liberal Arts Building, Rm. LA2004

Members present: Travis Dickison (President), Traci Welp (Vice President), Matt Hanka (Advisor), Markie Chancellor, Sara Goad, and Rob Henson (faculty)

Travis called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Travis moved and Traci seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Motion carries.

Travis moved to elect Ashley Hughes as Secretary of the MPA Society, Traci seconded. Motion carries.

Travis reported:

- New website address created for the MPA Society. The new website address is: [www.usi.edu/mpasociety](http://www.usi.edu/mpasociety)
  - MPA Society calendar is located on this site to view upcoming events
- Orgsync will be used to archive data

Traci reported she has:

- Created the first MPA Quarterly Newsletter for the MPA Society
- Setup a guest speaker to attend the meeting to discuss Youth Resources and to form a partnership. Laura Ferguson is the Executive Director of Youth Resources. Laura shared her organizations mission.
- The Newsletter also contained MPA Society's community outreach project with Aurora Nonprofit for the semester. Ashley Hughes created the rules and flyer and it was inserted into the newsletter.

Secretary's Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

- JoAnna was unable to attend the meeting, but sent the Treasurer's Report. \$282 was charged for the new MPA Society logo, of which \$140 was refunded, \$121 was donated to pay for the logo, leaving the final cost to the Society of \$21.00.

Advisor's Report

- Dr. Hanka spoke about the speaker series that starts on Sept. 20, 2016 featuring James Hitchcock, Assistant Editor. He expects to have many of the MPA students attend.



- MPA Program has been approved to be a member of the Pi Alpha Alpha Honors Chapter for graduate students. A student that will qualify for this honor must have a gpa of 3.7 or higher to be eligible.
- Students interested in attending the Presidential Inauguration will need to make their final decisions by September.

No unfinished business.

New business:

Travis moved to adopt the 2016-2017 Budget (attached), Traci seconded. Motion carried.

Travis Dickison, President, will create a survey and see what days are best for students to attend the MPA Society meetings.

Aurora Drive starts on September 12-30. The competition rules can be found in the newsletter created by Ashley Hughes.

Members and officers of the MPA Society will make efforts to attend or host outreach events in the fall to encourage membership in the MPA Society.

Travis adjourned the meeting at 5:55 pm.



**MPA Society Budget**

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Balance of On Campus Account  | \$184.55 |
| Balance of Off Campus Account | \$110.00 |
|                               | \$294.55 |

| <b>Potential Revenue</b>       | <b>Fall</b>     |                 |                 |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Student Membership Rate</b> | <b>100%</b>     | <b>80%</b>      | <b>70%</b>      | <b>50%</b>      |
| Membership Dues (32 students)  | \$320.00        | \$256.00        | \$224.00        | \$160.00        |
| Giveback nights                | \$50.00         | \$50.00         | \$50.00         | \$50.00         |
| <b>Fall Total</b>              | <b>\$370.00</b> | <b>\$306.00</b> | <b>\$274.00</b> | <b>\$210.00</b> |
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| <b>Annual Total Revenue</b>    | <b>\$740.00</b> | <b>\$612.00</b> | <b>\$548.00</b> | <b>\$420.00</b> |

| <b>Expenditures</b>              | <b>Fall</b>     | <b>Spring</b>   | <b>Annual</b>   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| End of Semester Parties          | \$50.00         | \$50.00         | \$100.00        |
| Fliers for Giveback nights       | \$10.00         | \$10.00         | \$20.00         |
| Speaker Series                   | \$50.00         | \$50.00         | \$100.00        |
| Grand Prize for Aurora Project   | \$50.00         |                 | \$50.00         |
| Potential Funding for Conference |                 |                 | \$0.00          |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>        | <b>\$160.00</b> | <b>\$110.00</b> | <b>\$270.00</b> |