



Meeting Minutes

26 SEPTEMBER, 2016

5:30pm – LA 2002

Members present: Travis Dickison (President), Ashley Hughes (Secretary), Sara Goad, Chaze Patrick, Lauren Smith, Korey Kinman, and Matthew Hanka (Advisor)

Guests present: N/A

Travis called the meeting to order at 5:31pm .

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

President's Report

Travis will be attending the Council of President's on September 27th, 2016 to discuss changes to agency accounts through the University as there are many difficult policies student organizations must comply with, that are not as efficient or effective as we believe they could. He will also be discussing the need for virtual student renewal meetings for executive board members to attend as it is USI policy that one member attend a renewal session each year in order for the organization to remain active.

The Facebook page will be changing it's name to MPA Society to reflect the new logo and make it easier to search for. The Facebook page can now be accessed through the MPA webpage as the glitches and restrictions have been fixed.

Vice President's Report

Nothing to report.

Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report

President spoke on behalf of Treasurer - Dues of \$10.00 a semester or \$20.00 a year to join the Society are due as soon as possible. You can give these dues to Travis Dickison or Joanna Beck.

Be on the look out for "Give Back Nights" to benefit the Society and the many activities and support we hope to provide throughout the year for our members.

\$100 in dues and donations were deposited into the Old National Account. \$21.00 were withdrawn from the student organization account for posters used to promote the speaker series.

Unfinished business

N/A

New business



The Aurora Give Back Drive is being extended until October 14. Please have team totals sent to arhilton2012@gmail.com on or before that date. Drop off of items will take place before the end of October. All who participated in the collection of goods, are able to attend. If you have any questions, please email arhilton2012@gmail.com.

Members interested in helping with the Empty Bowls project to benefit local nonprofits should mark their calendars for October 21, 2016. Further email correspondent will be sent out soon regarding location and time. Please let Travis Dickison know if you would like to attend. Spouses and alumni are welcome, pending the amount of current students that would like to participate. It should make for a fun evening!

Information for the ASPA Annual Conference is attached to the email along with these minutes. Please read through the information provided to determine if you would like to attend. The out of pocket costs for this trip are projected to be minimal. It may be funded in full, but we wont know for sure until the request for funds from the university are submitted and approved. Dates are March 16- March 21st.

Announcements

On October 19th, 2016 at 5:00pm, location TBD, the speaker series will be showing the documentary, Jerrymandering to students and the community with a discussion to follow by Julia Vaughn from Common Cause Indiana. ALL MPA students are expected to attend and participate.

On October 27th, ASPA will be hosting a networking discussion and reception at 5:30pm, location TBD. Dr. Bennett, the President of USI, will be discussing her role in public service. The community, alumni, UE and other individuals will also be in attendance so this is a great way to network with local leaders of the field. ALL MPA students are expected to attend.

In November, a prospected speaker will hopefully be at USI to discuss media and politics, a hot button issue surrounding this years presidential race and other topics of interest related to public policy.

Travis Dickison adjourned the meeting at 6:11 pm.

Next meeting

18 OCTOBER, 2016. 5:30pm – LA 2002

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Hughes