



Meeting Minutes

25 January, 2017

5:30 P.M. – LA 1018

Members present: Travis Dickison, Loc Duong, Sara Goad, Taylor Gogel, Kory Kinman, Joy Millay, Logan Nix, Chaze Patrick, Alysia Rhinefort, and Brushell Solorzano

Travis called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M.

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

President's Report

Travis outlined the proposed goals of the Spring 2017 semester, primarily including ways to increase community service and professional development achieved by the society. As a matter of alteration from previous semesters, executive officers beyond the president—in order to better engage with professional development, community service, and communications pertaining to the society—are individually charged with managing such duties with the advice and consent of the President.

Vice President's Report

Loc reminded members about the upcoming trip to the ASPA conference. As of right now only two students are attending. Loc also mentioned ways to get involved with the graduate and general USI community as a means to develop academically and professionally, particularly through joining the SGA and GSPN groups. Lastly, Loc reminded members to attend the first presentation of the MPA Speaker Series by Dr. James Perry concerning public service motivation on January 26, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. in Kleymeyer Hall.

Treasurer's Report

Sara reminded members that the \$10.00 dues for this semester could be paid to either her or Travis.

New business

Community service projects for this semester include participation in the Scrabble Smackdown Tournament to be hosted at Ivy Tech to benefit the Literacy Center on February 25. Teams of three are necessary for participation and the society can form multiple groups.

The society will also be participating in a drive for Aurora, Inc. to gather provisions it requires to better serve its clients. The drive will run between the beginning of February to the end of April, and Kory will send out an email detailing what all can be donated to the organization.

As well, members will be able to attend a litter cleanup for the Jacobsville neighborhood in association with Jacobsville Join In and Keep Evansville Beautiful in March. Specifics on the date and time for the cleanup will follow within the next two weeks.

Finally, other community service projects are in development and any information regarding these will be submitted as it is received. For any questions or concerns, please contact Kory at kakinman@eagles.usi.edu.

Finally, all remaining society meetings for the semester will take place on Wednesdays, with specific dates and times to be announced.



Announcements

This summer Dr. Hanka will be taking students to the Netherlands in conjunction with a course on comparative public policy. If interested, contact Dr. Hanka with any questions you may have.

Elections for society executive officers will take place in April, so members are reminded to consider whether they would like to vie to hold such positions for the following academic year.

Several end-of-year mixers and other functions will be hosted by various campus organizations, departments, and the MPA society during April and May. Details regarding these functions will be delivered toward the end of the semester.

Travis adjourned the meeting at 5:56 P.M.

Next meeting

Sometime in February on a Wednesday.

Respectfully submitted,
Kory Kinman