

DAPA Council Meeting
April 10, 2017
2:00-3:00 PM
University of Delaware
176 Graham Hall

Meeting Summary

Participating: Gene Dvornick (President), Dan Smith (Vice-President), Leann Moore (Secretary), Julia O’Hanlon (At-Large Member), Sarah Pragg (At-Large Member), Debbie Pfiel- by telephone (At-Large Member), and Eli Turkel (At-Large Member)

Minutes from March 2017 DAPA Council meeting

- Sarah Pragg proposed amendments for typos.
- A motion to approve minutes with the amendments meeting was made by Julia O’Hanlon and seconded by Sarah Pragg.
- **Vote:** Unanimous approval

Membership Report

- No report. Sarah and Leann will work on this after April 21.
- Debbie noted that we need to really push the benefits of joining DAPA. Also noted promoted DAPA through a printed page for town managers.
- Gene suggested promoting simultaneously with Public Service Week.
- We should work toward making DAPA a networking opportunity for students to meet with practitioners.
- **Action: Sarah will send out a membership renewal reminder email with Gene’s letter.**

Treasurer’s Report

- Minimal Activity

Website Update

- No update.
- Payment is made through November.

2017 Event Planning

- Public Service Week is actually May 7-13.
 - Debbie and Fiona are willing to help put an event together on the Friday of Public Service Week.
 - Highlight/Spotlight a person each day during the week— post on Facebook and blog. Someone from:
 - State level
 - Local level
 - DelDOT
 - State Planning
 - Schools

- USDA
 - ODW
 - DNREC
- Debbie suggested spotlighting an agency and what they do.
 - **Action: Create a criterion for spotlight.**
- Use this year to advertise and gain engagement.
- Julia suggested going to different locations with a sign about what public service is, asking what is means to them, and posting on social media.
 - Target three groups: student group, local level, teachers in schools.
 - **Action: Leann will make a sign template.**
- For 2018, look at booking Joe Biden to speak at 2018 week, May 6—12, 2018
- Promote Third Thursdays
 - Third Thursdays (June, July, and August)
 - June 15- Newark, Biden Institute, potentially at the Speakeasy?
 - July 20- Wilmington, partner with Metro Urban League Young Professionals; potentially at City/County Building with panel discussion
 - August 17- Middletown, Reaching out to Dave Carter about speakers
 - This committee will meet Monday, April 17.
- Leann working with Habitat for Humanity to try and partner on an event in Kent or Sussex.
- Julia noted that ASPA was great and she will put together a summary of the ASPA Chapter leadership meeting. She also got some new ideas for student involvement and is working to put together a summary with photos for the larger Delaware population.
- Julia also recommended sharing Dr. White’s speech at ASPA with DAPA.
- The next meeting will be on a Monday, May 15, 2017, 2-4 PM in Graham 176.