Meeting Summary

Participating: Leann Moore (Vice-President), Evan Miller (Secretary), Fiona Mulligan (At-Large Member), Gene Dvornick (President), Debbie Pfeil (At-Large Member), and Sonya Sedegui (At-Large Member).

Absent: Brian Billings (At-Large Member), Martin Wollaston (Treasurer), and Julia O’Hanlon (At-Large Member).

Agenda:

Approval and Review of Minutes from April 4, 2019 DAPA Council Meeting

- A motion to approve the minutes was made by Debbie and seconded by Leann.
- Vote: Unanimous approval

Survey Update – Sonya

A few more additional people completed the survey. Sonya will send updated responses to the Council. Not many comments were left in the “suggestions” section.

Membership Update – Leann

We lost two ASPA members since the last meeting. Leann mentioned it might be because they forgot to renew their membership. Leann will work on sending out an email to the distribution list that includes a summary of the survey responses and information on upcoming 3rd Thursday events to try and encourage people to renew their membership or sign up for DAPA. Total count is 51 ASPA Members and 5 DAPA Members. It was mentioned that the reduction in membership is not contributed to people retiring from UD’s School of Public Policy.

Treasurer’s Report – Gene

Gene provided a summary of the financial report as of April 30. The check to the University of Delaware to cover DAPA’s annual program expenses has now cleared. State Franchise Tax of $25 and Safe Deposit Box fee of $44.50 is still shown.

Leann made a motion, Debbie seconded. Unanimous approval.

Event Planning

Third Thursdays – Evan

Our overall theme is: “Delaware Hops!” Our goal is to offer varying locations of social and educational opportunities and the impact of brewing and trails development on statewide
recreation and tourism. Regarding the June event, we have confirmation that this location is available, and Julia is planning a call with Keith Hughes the CFO next week to iron out details. Evan provided an update on the July event. Originally, the plan was to have a tour of the Milford shipyard, however, since it is a private site, they are not offering tours to groups. Evan will be contacting the Milford Museum to see what time they close as a backup. Additionally, Evan will be contacting Joan and Sudler Lofland (ship yard owners) to see if they would be willing to do a presentation on the ship yard at Arenas Bar and Grill in Milford. Evan will also contact Arenas to get a cost for renting out the room. Lastly, the August event is still in progress, with hopes that Julia will connect with DE Greenways soon. If not, she will consider alternatives, but is open to suggestions from Council.

**Public Service Recognition Week – Gene and Debbie**

Debbie is organizing an email blast from DAPA that would support PSRW (May 5-11). Debbie is going to asking for people to complete a “I serve because” form and take a picture with it to post on social media/share on the website. Debbie and Gene will encourage organizations (state, municipal, private firms, etc.) to participate. Leann will then be provided with the photos and post them on the website. Sonya and Leann will provide an example by the end of the day today for Debbie and Gene to use when sending emails out soliciting participation.

**Other Business**

None

**Adjourned at 9:22 a.m.**

Leann made a motion, Debbie seconded. Unanimous approval.