

DAPA Council Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2019 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Call in:

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Host Pin (for Leann): 2634

AGENDA

Participating: Leann Moore (Vice-President), Evan Miller (Secretary), Sonya Sedegui (At-Large Member), Gene Dvornick (President), Martin Wollaston (Treasurer), Julia O'Hanlon (At-Large Member), and Debbie Pfeil (At-Large Member)

Absent: Brian Billings (At-Large Member), and Fiona Mulligan (At-Large Member)

Agenda:

Welcome (Gene)

Approval & Review of the last Council Meeting Summary (June 6, 2019)

- A motion to approve minutes was made by Julia and seconded by Evan.
- Vote: Unanimous approval

Membership Update (Leann)

- Leann mentioned that DAPA lost one ASPA member but that she will be sending them a reminder. There is a new DAPA member this month, the Assistant Town Manager for Millsboro. There are currently 6 DAPA members and 50 ASPA members. July is a large month for memberships.

Treasurer's Report (Martin)

- Martin reported there is little change to the financials for this month. The DAPA account remains the same. The ASAP account is down approximately \$100 to renewing DAPA's domain name. Additionally, we had to reimburse University of Delaware. There is an outstanding check (\$275) for Wilmington Brew Works from the June Third Thursday Event. Revenue (approximately \$135) from that event will be transferred from online to the bank account. Sarah Pragg will be providing training to DAPA members (Julia, Evan and Leann) on how to transfer money from the DAPA website.

Event Planning

Third Thursdays (Evan & Julia)

- Wilmington Brew Works event went very well. DAPA had a good turnout.
- Evan provided an update on the Milford Third Thursday event. So far, 6 people have RSVP'd, and others plan to RSVP soon. The event will be at Arenas in Milford and will feature guest speakers talking about the history of shipbuilding in Milford in addition to the new Vineyard Shipyard Project. Julia created a post on Facebook and asked everyone on the call if they would be willing to reach out to one or two people as targeted outreach. Delaware APA people might be interested, Julia will reach out to that group and mention the event as well as send event details to KCI's outreach coordinator.
- August event is pretty much set. Might be some logistical things that need to be finalized since there will be a walking component to start off the event.

Young Professional Award (Leann)

- Leann would like to do a Third Thursday type event in September to announce our young professionals award, host the event at Delaware State University. DAPA will plan to announce in August through emails, etc. and we will plan to coordinate to have the previous winner there.
- Julia has been in contact with Delaware Food Bank regarding a recent renovation they went through. There was discussion regarding hosting an event in the fall to tour their location in collaboration with the University of Delaware and the State.

ALICE Workshop (Julia)

- To have or not to have – that is the questions (but also when, where, how, etc.)
- ALICE stands for asset-limited, income-constrained but employed. The project attempts to define the income threshold needed for an ALICE worker to cover basic expenses (referred to as the Household Survival Budget) and cover expenses while maintaining some savings (called the Household Stability Budget). ALICE data show that more workers than only those who meet federal poverty income limits struggle to make ends meet. Some states are looking at taking a deeper dive into socioeconomic data to look at this group in more detail. Julia participated in a webinar that was a follow up to the Biden Challenge. DAPA. Hopeful that Delaware could become a pilot state. DAPA will consider doing a DAPA event around this. Target population would be those working with data and just public administrators in general. Julia will send out more details to the Council and asked for feedback by August on what councilmembers think about creating an event around this topic.
- <https://www.unitedforalice.org/>

End of Year dinner – should we change the format?

- Leann mentioned this is one of the most well attended events but also one of the most expensive. Consider dedicating time during the August meeting to discuss who will be responsible for planning the event and when we need to make changes by, if any. Martin mentioned that past dinners were held at Timothy's, Deerfield, White Clay Creek County Club, Buena Vista, and Embassy Suites.

Council Retreat: Planning for 2020 (Julia & Leann)

- Consider in person meeting. At that meeting, nail down roles and responsibilities of councilmembers. What is DAPA's mission and are we achieving it? Goals for 2020? Leann will send out a Doodle Poll, planning for a meeting in early September and early to mid-August in person. Plan for 3 hours at a location in Dover, Smyrna, or local library.

Other Business

- None