

ASPA Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2019

Present: Ken Stone, Brian Bray, Chris Jones, Laurie Buonanno, Diane Oyler, Kim German, Marisa Nold, Paul Shore, Lou Petrucci

Stone called the meeting called at 5:35 p.m. We do have a quorum with no changes to the agenda.

Stone moved to amend New Business to include setting a date for the annual Board meeting as well as the Chapter meeting. Seconded.

Motion to approve November 27, 2018 minutes by Stone. Seconded.

Officer Reports:

President:

- He filed Chapter 2018 form to get a rebate, and we are good with IRS in terms of deductibility.
- We should be getting a rebate check and will have to go to credit union with Treasurer to set up account by Buffalo State; tentatively set for Monday, March 18th.
- We need to reimburse Brian Bray for our Cole's event in November 2018 for \$250.
- Once we get an account set up, we will write a check to Brian Bray.

Communications Officer:

- He wrote an e-mail, looking for guidance on Thing from the Future.
- Referring to e-mail, looking to possibly purchase and set up a flyer and table stand for events.
- The cost would possibly be \$105 plus tax but \$65 plus tax is what he's looking for (refer to e-mail).
- Everyone at the meeting should look at the link he sent and give feedback and consent to purchase stand.

Motion made to give Tony authorization to buy signage to be used at events, and it shall not exceed \$120 if he decides to buy bigger signage. Seconded.

Membership Officer:

- Not present, but a discussion ensued about whether we have brochures or anything available through ASPA for new membership, since we will be attracting people that are non-dues paying members through events.
- The brochures would be a good opportunity to recruit and give more information.
- We will inquire of membership officer if ASPA would provide any of those items.
- Membership officer was supposed to contact LaVonda Humphries about obtaining new membership material, maybe he can follow up on that inquiry.

- Chris Jones also volunteered to reach out to Humphries and ask about membership materials.
- In the meantime, Tony is developing website platform to sign up members through e-mails.

Secretary:

The minutes from November 27, 2018 were uploaded to Dropbox.

Unfinished Business:

The Thing from the Future -

- The Thing from the Future will be held on March 30, 2019 and a lunch will be included.
- We will advertise the event on our ASPA Facebook page
- It will be an opportunity to recruit and invite students and other interested parties to our ASPA chapter; membership materials will be provided there.
- Ken Stone and Chris Jones will speak about our ASPA Buffalo/Niagara Chapter before playing Thing from the Future.
- Instead of outreaching to different town board members from different municipalities, we're going to do a test run at Hilbert College to see how smoothly it runs.
- Ideally, 8-12 people will be present to play The Thing from the Future.

Public Service Recognition Week -

- Buffalo State alumni should post something on Facebook about PSRW to gain an idea of how many people willing to come to event.
- Brian Bray and Poliner are going to sponsor a panel and are to meet with Dr. Ceesay.
- The panel will be concerning ethics issues and have people on it with a background in ethics and on the JCOPE ethics commission.
- The panel is to talk about high profile ethical issues that have come up in the area for the past couple of years and address at different angles.
- Laurie Buonanno was asked to organize a panel, because one of the PSRW donors is involved in labor/public sector; needs a panel involving collective bargaining agreements.
- The panel would ideally involve CSEA and other union presidents offering expertise on binding arbitration.

Civil Service Savvy Workshop –

- We're now looking at CSSW to be an event for next fiscal/chapter year starting in July, maybe hold it in the fall.
- Brian Bray mentioned CSSW to Erie County personnel, and they're willing do a presentation about it.

Updates on proposed journal –

- Meetings have not occurred yet, but looking to have a meeting about the theme before the Chapter meeting in June.
- The journal paperwork submittal will possibly be delayed until June.
- Brian Poliner wants to extend it to criminal justice, and may have a meeting with Hilbert staff about it.

New Business:

Membership meeting date: May 8, 2019, location to be determined.

Board meeting date: June 18, 2019, possibly at Pearl Street.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.