

ASPA Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2020

(This meeting was held via Zoom videoconference.)

Present: Brian Bray, Ken Stone, Marisa Nold, Tony Astran, Chris Jones, Ray Wagner, Rosaleen Nogle, Brian Poliner, Kim German, Michael Hughes, Makenzie Docteur

Meeting called at 5:35 p.m. We have a quorum.

Motion made to amend the 4/27/20 minutes to reflect that we held the meeting via Zoom. Seconded.

Officer Reports:

President:

- No report.

Treasurer:

- Ken submitted our ASPA Buffalo/Niagara chapter financial statement.

Communications Officer:

- Tony will upload the 4/27/20 minutes to our website.
- He will send out information via social media about nominations for the annual ASPA meeting.
- We don't have a lot of nominations, but we will keep on trucking.
- Our WordPress account will be up for renewal in October; it's \$106.00 per year.

Membership Officer:

- No concrete update on Great Lakes journal but hoping to have something rolled out by start of the fall semester.
- Brian will have material to discuss at a later summer meeting.

Secretary:

- The minutes from 4/27/20 meeting have been e-mailed and uploaded to Dropbox.

Old Business

Nominations:

Excellence in Governmental Administration Nomination

Rosaleen nominated Oluwole A. McFoy.

Motion to give Oluwole McFoy this award at our annual meeting. Seconded.

Excellence in Non-Profit Administration Nomination

Brian Bray nominated Diane Oyler.

Motion to give Diane Oyler this award at our annual meeting. Seconded.

Excellent in Public Administration Education Nomination

Tony nominated Laurie Buonanno.

Motion to give Laurie Buonanno this award at our annual meeting. Seconded.

Board Member Recruitment:

- We haven't recruited anybody externally yet for Board membership.
- We were missing Chris Marcello at this meeting, but we believe he is going to run again.
- We currently don't have anybody who is interested in becoming President-Elect. Makenzie will reach out to Buffalo State faculty see if there's any interest.
- Makenzie will consider becoming President-Elect if no one volunteers for it.
- Tony will become President for next year and is willing to still serve as Communications Officer (Brian Bray also volunteered for Communications Officer).
- Ken will remain as Treasurer.
- Brian Poliner will remain as Membership Officer.
- Marisa will remain as Secretary.

New Business

ASPA Awards:

- It costs \$20-\$30 to create a plaque.
- Brian Bray asked for permission to spend and be reimbursed \$100 on our three ASPA awards.

Motion to give Brian permission to spent money on awards. Seconded.

- Guest speaker: Brian Bray will reach out to Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz and Tony will reach out to the new ASPA National chair to speak at our annual meeting.

- We will ask our awardees to give an acceptance speech on their personal contributions towards and the importance of public/non-profit administration.

Annual Meeting:

- We can e-register on Zoom for the annual meeting.
- Brian Bray will provide the meeting link and passwords.
- Tony will take names and e-mail addresses of attendees for potential membership recruitment.
- Meeting registration should be completed by 5 p.m. on 6/16/20.

Motion made to adjourn. Seconded.

Meeting ended: 5:56 p.m.

Our next meeting: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 via Zoom, at 6 p.m.