

SAPA GENERAL MEETING: MAY 17th, 2012

AGENDA

1. Recap
2. Looking forward
3. New Board Members
4. Picnic
5. New Website
6. DAPA
7. Awards/ Donations

Meeting Called to Order

1. Recap

- Recap of events.
- Want to keep up momentum for next academic year.

2. Looking forward

- Plans for summer
 - Talk to Kathryn Lonczewski (klon@udel.edu) for ideas about summer /fall
 - SAPA wants to try to hold at least one fundraiser event over the summer
 - Ideas: Something to include faculty/staff, like a kickball tournament or a potluck event.
- Plans for Fall
 - SAPA wants to hit the ground running when school resumes in the Fall. The President has tasked each SAPA Officer with coming up with at least one initiative/event that will be implemented during the 2012-2013 academic year.
 - SAPA wants to promote more happy hours/mixers during the next academic year, as they allow for students to connect with one another outside of the classroom.
 - **Orientation**
 - **SAPA would like to invite all SPPA students to the Fall 2012 Orientation. The event will be held on Monday, August 27th, at 10:00 AM in 106 Composites Mfg. Science Lab. Please come out and meet new students, and support SPPA!**
- Miscellaneous
 - Christmas party: SAPA invites any and all suggestions for our 2012 Christmas Party. Send us an email at Sapassociation@gmail.com if you have any ideas.

- Formal dinner: During the May 17th Meeting, some students voiced that they would like for SAPA to host a formal dinner in the Spring, as a way to close the academic year. This suggestion will be discussed when SAPA reconvenes in the Fall.

3. New Board Members

- SAPA would like to welcome its 2012-2013 Board Members:
 - Nathan Roby (President)
 - Kathryn Lonczewski (Vice President)
 - Ama Nyame-Mensah (Secretary)
 - Cimone Philpotts (Treasurer)
 - David Barnes (PhD Representative)
 - Rachel Linstead-Goldsmith (MPA Representative)
 - Allison Rice (MA-UAPP Representative)
 - Jennifer Nichols (MA-HP Representative)
 - Jennifer Lazo (MS-DISA Representative)
 - Matthew Parkhurst (Career Enhancement Representative)

4. Picnic

- The SAPA Spring 2012 Picnic was a smashing success. Approximately 40 people came out to support SAPA, and celebrate the end of the academic year.
- During the May 17th meeting, some students suggested that next year's event start/end later. Other students suggested that next year we move the event to another park.

5. New Website

- SAPA's new website is up and running! Please visit <http://sites.udel.edu/sapa> to view the website.
- SAPA would like to thank Steve, Natasha, John, and Nate for creating the website!

6. DAPA Outstanding Student Public Service Award (2012)

- This award is presented each year to a graduate student who best exemplifies the caliber of achievement necessary for a successful public service career. The \$500 award is presented at DAPA's annual meeting. Visit: http://sites.udel.edu/sapa/files/2012/05/DAPA_StudentAward_flyer-2012.pdf for more information about the award.
- Please contact Jonathon Justice at justice@udel.edu if you have any questions about the award.

7. Awards/ Donations

- Scholarship
 - SAPA wants to start a scholarship fund. During the Fall semester of 2012, we will be talking about the logistics behind awarding a student in SPPA with the scholarship. When we reconvene in the fall we will be discussing:

- Who can receive the award,
- What qualifications a student must possess in order to receive the award, and
- Who will be on the decision committee.

Meeting Adjourned