



VAPPA Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 @ 12:00 pm

Place: UVA

Welcome/Introductions/roll-call. In attendance:

- Joe Bocchiaro III (JB3)
- Julie Bubb (JB)
- Brian Connolly (BC)
- David Guglielmo (DG)
- Meghan Johnston (MJ)
- Joe Martinez (JMz)
- Mike Merriam (MM)
- John Prengaman (JP)
- Greg Sachs (GS)
- Angela Stimpson (AS)

Absent:

- Steve Glazner (SGz)

MM: Conference Location for next year not yet confirmed.

- CNU?
- Longwood?
- VIMS?
- Discussion about location
 - Adequate booth space for vendors.
 - Affordable space on campus vs. more costly venue with more space
 - Weighing opportunity for growth vs. investment and risk
 - Change in venue could also facilitate other timing; university facilities limit availability for this scale during spring break.
 - May need to invite vendors from booth lists from other state chapter conferences: Georgia, Florida, South Carolina
 - JP suggests board members talk to vendors—everyone pick a few and get a sense of support for vendors for a bigger venue; something more attractive as a destination to help draw institutional attendance.

- Survey?
- DG: Venue looking at room nights generated
- Drive in Workshops; beneficial, but hard to gauge interest ahead of time;
- Could APPA help with suggestions to move to the next level?
 - NC chapter as an example; what did they do to grow?
- Could ask for volunteers for hosting next year in addition to board positions

JP: Need to look again at how we re-invest in educational opportunities, certification opportunities

MM: 195 attendees registered for VAPPA 2019. 25 schools. Vendors asking about attendance list; hard to do before the conference. We typically provide list afterwards.

Discussion about protest and response at UVA.

Discussion about base compensation. \$15 minimum wage at UVA. Moved from \$12.75.

Discussion about communication resources

- reiterate email listserv availability as a resource
- VAPPA news?
- FB or LinkedIn group?

BC:

- certification opportunities a great opportunity for growth and member involvement
- coop with Environment Virginia or other conference?
- involve younger generation; engineering clubs?
- be careful over extending volunteer positions
- quarterly have an educational event in a different area of the state
- value of phone call, note, or in person

AS:

- would be great to grow K-12 and museum involvement
- agree educational events in different areas quarterly sounds great

Discussion about conference schedule and logistics

Action Items:

1. Meeting Minutes (GS)

Next Meeting Dates:

TBD