

Hampton Roads chapter of ASPA

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 from 1 – 2 pm

Present: Wie Yusuf, Elijah Agyapong, David Chapman, Celeste Greene, Jerry Hoddinott, Stephen King, Taiwo Lasisi, Gail Nicula, Tihara Richardson, Gary Roberts, Michelle San Anton, Marina Saitgalina, Caitlin Stein

Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Update on Symposium
 - Deadline extended to February 7
 - Please encourage graduate students and practitioners to submit proposals
3. Topic for April student event
 - Date: April 21, 2022
 - Only 1 response received in the Google form – the suggestion was to have a panel of HR Directors talk about what they look for during the hiring process.
 - Alternative topics for discussion include: the public sector workplace post-COVID, challenges for public sector employees, advice from the trenches.
 - We decided on the advice from the trenches approach with a panel of practitioners and faculty members offering career advice based on their previous experiences and about graduate school.
4. Scholarships and Awards
 - Here are the 5 established scholarship and awards:
 - i. Academic Scholarship
 - ii. The John Dunning Award for Distinguished Service to the Hampton Roads Chapter
 - iii. Julian F. Hirst Award for Distinguished Service
 - iv. George Robert House, Jr. Award for Outstanding Service
 - v. Dr. Wolfgang Pindur Award for Distinguished Service in Academia and Practice
 - Tom Poulin had introduced a new award last year for 'Outstanding Public Employee in Hampton Roads.' Wie will reach out to Tom to find out more details about the award.
 - i. Celeste will follow up with Tom re: naming the award after a women, e.g. Meyera Oberndorf. Pam Dunning
 - ii. Marina will add this to the agenda for awards for 2023.
 - We agreed on the timeline:
 - i. Call for nominations disseminated by February 4
 - ii. Submission deadline?? April 11
 - iii. Formally announce at the May 19, 2022 awards event
 - Selection committees – volunteers needed (please also suggest names for committee members. If I missed those who volunteered, my apologies – please let me know and I will add you).

Academic Scholarship	John Dunning Award	Julian F. Hurst Award	George Robert House, Jr. Award	Pindur Award
Tihara Richardson (chair)	Jerry Hoddinott	Ren-Neasha Blake (chair)	Mechelle Smith	Gail Nicula (chair)
David Chapman	Gary Roberts (chair)	Marina Saitgalina	Elijah Agyapong	David Chapman
	Norah Alshayhan	Michelle San Anton		Stephen King

- We will work with David to make sure awards and scholarship info are updated on the HR ASPA website

5. Elections

- Nominations needed for:
President Elect
4 Executive Council members:
 - Vincent Afedi (Minister, Regent MPA Student) – not an active ASPA member
 - Elijah K. Agyapong (Assistant Professor, Regent University)
 - Celeste Green (Associate Professor, University of Virginia)
 - Stephen M. King (Professor, Regent University)
- Student representative (Tihara Richardson)
- We agreed on the timeline:
 - i. Call for nominations – disseminate February 4, due April 11
 - ii. Elections – mid-April – 1 week voting window
 - iii. Formally announce at May 19, 2022 awards event
- We will work with David to run the elections in mid-April
- Reminder that active membership in ASPA is required to be on chapter leadership.
- Please help solicit/recruit nominations from chapter members

6. Other business

- Discussion about chapter recruitment
 - i. Getting materials from ASPA
 - ii. Using social media to highlight the chapter and activities
 - iii. Connecting with other organizations (e.g., COMPA) and local governments to increase visibility and grow membership
 - iv. Create a membership/recruitment committee to address membership and recruitment issues (Wie volunteers to chair next year once term as President ends)
- HR ASPA webinars – recordings are available on YouTube in the playlist ‘Hampton Roads ASPA webinar’ at:
<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLX1zjRLo43yqhCGL4L8QbZAPlryDpFx8v>

7. Adjourned at 1.45pm