Newly Elected Executive Board Meets

(Front to back) Daina DeNye, CPPO; VP-Cindy Krebs, CPPB; Sect.-Ellen Dayan, CPPB; Anna Marano, CPPB; RuthAnne Hall, CPPO; Tres.-Art Moore, CPPO, CPPB; Shirley Webb, CPPO, CPPB; John Demien, CPPB; Pres.-Jim Smith, CPPO, CPPB
(Not available Tracy Rutter, CPPB)

The Executive Board recently met January 29th for introductions and to discuss the direction of the organization. President Jim Smith began by thanking the outgoing officers and board members; the board members still serving their terms and all those who served as committee members by acknowledging 2015 was a difficult year for our Chapter due to numerous factors such as the state of the State, member’s personal struggles, the passing of a member and members leaving to the private sector. Even though no formal board votes or decisions were reached, the meeting provided an opportunity to discuss the future of our Chapter.

Jim introduced a number of goals for consideration and the members of the board shared in the enthusiasm to move IAPPO to a stronger organization. The board discussed the revitalization of our IAPPO logo, sharing the plans for the IAPPO 2016 Spring Conference Peoria, preparing our chapter for the NIGP 2020 Forum to be held in Chicago as well
as the possibility of entering our Chapter for NIGP chapter awards. Some of the discussions included increasing our membership by offering reciprocal associate memberships to other professional organizations within the state such as the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association (IGFOA).

Additionally, Jim presented the idea of restructuring some of our committees and the roles of those committees within the Chapter. It was suggested the Executive Board members perform as Committee Chairpersons in the future, and also to take this opportunity to encourage members to serve on different boards.

The Executive Board was also in agreement in encouraging all the Chapter members to review and correct any information on the website membership profile. As events have taken place, some of those changes have not been reflected in the member’s personal profiles.

Many positive topics were covered and laughs were shared. As a new member to the Executive Board, I look forward to the future of this Chapter and encourage members to take an active role within IAPPO.

By John Demien, CPPB

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!

APRIL 7-8, 2016
IAPPO 2016 SPRING CONFERENCE &
SUPPLIER EXPO
PAR-A-DICE HOTEL
21 Blackjack Blvd.
East Peoria, Illinois 61611

https://www.iappo.org/insidepages/events/?eventid=97BB993A-E46A-2A14-3CD2-608FABB6D30A

Be sure to join us for the Spring Conference in Peoria on April 7th & 8th when IAPPO welcomes King County Seattle Washington’s, Chief Procurement Officer Danielle Hinz and Lean Specialist Kara Cuzzetto. Their presentations will include an Introduction to Lean Concepts, The Lean Cultural Journey, Leader Standard Work, and King County’s Procurement & Payables Success Stories.

Additionally, Friday afternoon will include a tour of a Caterpillar production plant. This is an exciting opportunity to see the process from beginning to end for the production of a large piece of equipment. Plan ahead as space is limited.

We look forward to seeing you in Peoria!!!
From the Newsletter Committee

A goal has been set to publish the newsletter quarterly in the months of March, June, September and December.

If you wish to submit articles please submit them to Kylie.Carter@Illinois.gov or John.Demien@illinois.gov by the 15th of the month proceeding the upcoming publication date (February, May, August, November). Additionally, if you have submitted any articles in the past that did not get published, please resubmit to for publishing.

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UPDATES

Check out the IAPPO Home page http://www.iappo.org/ for links to legislative news, getting the scoop on the proposals that effect your organization.

IAPPO is currently taking a neutral position and publishes the synopsis and links to the most recent legislative releases received from its members. Please do not rely on this being the most current status or a complete listing of proposed legislation.