

**IUP CHAPTER  
SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Sept. 2, 2015, 5 p.m., Stabely 101**

Attendance:

Kirsten Schlorff, Tiffany Catherman, Logan Hullinger, Jed Johnson, Alexa Titchen, Isaiah Warfield, Ethan Brogan, Kandace Mecham (president), David Loomis (faculty adviser).

Note-taker: Loomis

Convened: 5:05 p.m.

Agenda:

1. Intros, welcome
  - a. President Mecham described the national and local organizations and their missions.
  
2. Officer elections
  - a. Kandace asked for nominees to serve in vacant official positions in IUP SPJ
    - i. Elected vice president: Ethan Brogan
    - ii. appointed secretary: Isaiah Warfield
    - iii. appointed treasurer: Kirsten Schlorff
    - iv. elected promotions committee chair: Alexa Titchen
      1. appointed vice chair: Jed Johnson
  
3. Discussion
  - a. Agenda for the academic year:
    - i. Tour New York Times?
      1. Loomis will make inquiries
    - ii. Ethics Week event
      1. Alexa proposed re-do of SPJ ethics event organized a couple of years ago.
    - iii. IUP Day, Sept. 12
      1. Ethan proposed setting up an IUP SPJ table at the annual event to highlight student organizations.
      2. SPJ banner and folding table are in hand
      3. Loomis: beware IUP administrators and organizers running us out because SPJ is not a university-recognized organization, because of SPJ Ethics Code concerns about strict independence from authorities.
      4. Consensus: sometimes it is better to apologize than to ask permission
      5. Tchotchkes?
        - a. Alexa proposed items to give away during IUP Day

- i. Loomis will see whether items can be delivered before Sept. 12
  - iv. Tutoring
    - 1. Discussion of Kandace proposal to offer tutoring to JRNL majors
      - a. Volunteers: Ethan, Logan, Jed, Loomis
      - b. Tentative schedule: before mid-terms; before finals
  - v. Annual Fundraiser – Get Down @ The Brown
    - 1. Tentatively planned for March, possibly during IUPatty's
- 4. Next meeting: Sept. 16, 5-6 p.m., Stabely 101
- 5. Adjourn: 6 p.m.

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