

IUP CHAPTER
SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2016, 4 p.m.

Media Computer Lab on Fourth floor of new CHSS building

Attendance:

Allyson Null, Andrea Mowers, Alexa Titchen (promotions chair), Isaiah Warfield (secretary), Ethan Brogan (vice president), David Loomis (faculty adviser)

Note-taker: Isaiah Warfield

Convened: 4:00 p.m.

Agenda:

1. Textbook Donations
 - a. Ethan discussed the important of book donations in SPJ. Ethan asked SPJ members if they had any books that they would like to donate to the SPJ organization, and SPJ member Andrea gave a textbook to SPJ.
2. Fall Conference
 - a. Ethan and Loomis discussed plans for having groups of journalism students meeting with actual journalists in Pittsburgh for a fall 2016 regional journalism summit. Students studying journalism could talk with journalists of specific fields, and learn more about it through the journalists.
 - b. Loomis said there would be a keynote speakers and journalists for this event, and SPJ will invite other schools, such as Penn State, Point Park and Duquesne University. It would take place Saturday, and it would be a day-long event. Including a free lunch. Loomis will plan this more in the summer.
3. Recruitment for SPJ
 - a. Ethan explained that SPJ members need to recruit as many freshmen as possible in the fall semester.
 - b. Loomis suggested going to high schools that have journalism programs and why students should strive to be a part of SPJ at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Including a free lunch.
 - c. Loomis asked SPJ members if they had a journalism program and school newspaper in their high school.

4. SPJ Elections
 - a. For academic year 2016-2017, by acclamation:
 - i. Ethan is president of SPJ
 - ii. Isaiah is vice president of SPJ
 - iii. Alexa is secretary of SPJ
 - iv. Allyson is treasurer of SPJ.
 - v. SPJ members agreed to play a collective part in the promotion chair in the fall semester.
5. Adjourn: 4:17 p.m.