

# Kansas Association of Public Information Officers

Quarterly Meeting Agenda – March 7, 2007 – Topeka, KS

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1. Welcome from Topeka City Manager Norton Bonaparte
2. Lunch information
3. Professional Development Session:  
*Kansas Open Records and Meetings Act by the State of Kansas' Attorney General's Office*
4. Break
5. President's welcome
6. Introductions
7. Board of Directors' reports
  - a. President
    - i. Association history, logo contest, web update ([www.kapio.org](http://www.kapio.org))
  - b. Vice-President
    - i. KAPIO apparel, Regional Association of Public Information Officers update
  - c. Secretary
    - i. LKM affiliate status update, code of ethics and bylaws
  - d. Treasurer
    - i. Financial status, memberships, logo mirror
8. Committee oversight
9. Other business
10. Next meeting
  - a. Mark your calendars for June 21 in Lawrence - more information to follow.
  - b. Professional development session to be determined.

## **KAPIO General Meeting Minutes 3/7/07**

### Board Members Present

Mike Hall, President  
Tom Erickson, Vice President  
Ilena Spalding, Treasurer  
Melissa Mundt, Secretary

### Attendance

32 Attended

### Welcome

Dave Bevans from the City of Topeka introduces Norton Bonaparte, City Manager of Topeka. Mr. Bonaparte welcomes KAPIO to Topeka and encourages the group in its mission. Mike Hall welcomes attendees to first KAPIO general meeting.

### Speaker

Theresa Marcel Bush was introduced by President Mike Hall. Ms. Bush is an Assistant Kansas Attorney General and specializes in Kansas Open Records. She spoke on the openness of the Kansas Open Record Act (KORA) and what specific items are closed by law. She encourages KAPIO members to write her with questions and she will be more than happy to assist them.

### Board Report

Mike Hall reports to the attendees that KAPIO.org is now live thanks to Kati Bernard with Overland Park. Winner of the logo contest, Dan Commiato was announced. Tom Erickson thanks the Attorney General's Office for providing KAPIO with Ms. Marcel Bush. He also thanks the City of Lawrence for help starting KAPIO and mentioned RAPIO as another option for networking and training for those in the MARC region.

### Finance Report

Ilena Spalding reported that prior to the meeting 17 individuals have joined KAPIO bringing total revenues to \$445. She indicated that she would take applications at the meeting and had W-9s. She also shared a mirrored logo option and key chains for any member that was interested.

### New Business

- Mike Hall requests that attendees fill out the questionnaire on what KAPIO should provide its members.
- Mike Hall encourages attendees to spread the word about KAPIO to others around the State of Kansas.
- Kari Wempe states that she has pins for the organization. Cost would be between \$1.50 and \$3.00.

### Old Business

- Ilena Spalding presented the idea of ordering a mirror plaque to display at registrations for meetings. The board agreed this would be a good idea for formalizing events.
- Mike Hall discussed purchasing pins for KAPIO members. The board agreed to pursue the idea.
- The board discussed purchasing shirts. Melissa Mundt offered to do research for the group.
- The board discussed what the topics of the next meeting would be in Lawrence. Several ideas were discussed including having a KU professor of Public Administration speak on what citizens want to know about their governments. Mundt agreed to pursue this idea through her contacts at the school.

### Next General Meeting

- Next meeting of KAPIO as a whole will be on June 21<sup>st</sup> in Lawrence.