

Dean's Meeting, APPAM Fall Research Conference, Miami, FL Friday, November 13, 10:15 – 11:45, immediately following the Institutional Reps Meeting Hyatt Regency Miami, Miami Lecture Hall

APPAM held an inaugural meeting of deans of public policy and public administration programs in conjunction with its 2015 Spring Conference. Twenty deans, along with APPAM leadership, met and discussed a variety of topics, including the future of PhD programs, diversity issues and the pipeline and the role that APPAM can play in these discussions.

Because the first meeting was such a success and there were strong feelings that meetings aimed at assembling this group were important, APPAM will make them an annual part of both its Spring and Fall Conferences.

The agenda for this meeting will focus on diversity initiatives; a draft is below. Formal invitations will be sent out in the coming weeks to deans of APPAM institutional member schools, APPAM institutional reps, the APPAM leadership and other notables. For more information, please contact Tara Sheehan, tsheehan@appam.org.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- Welcome
 - Tara Sheehan, APPAM
- Overview of APPAM's goals and activities of the diversity committee, with reference to the 2016
 Strategic Plan
 - John Martinez, MDRC
- Panel discussion on best practices to promote diversity among students, administration and teaching staff and a sharing of best practices and lessons learned in the quest for a more diverse public policy field
 - Sandra Archibald, Dean, Daniel J. Evans School of Public Policy & Governance, University of Washington
 - Susan Collins, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan Eric Schwartz, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
- Open discussion focused on recommendation for additional activities APPAM could undertake to promote diversity in APPAM activities and among our members and member institutions.
 Tara Sheehan, APPAM