

June 16, 2005

Dear MiAPPA Members and Business Partners:

Ferris State University is excited to be hosting the 2005 Summer MiAPPA meeting. The theme of this summer's conference is leadership, stewardship and planning. This meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Enclosed for your use is the agenda of presentations and events for all three days, information on hotel accommodations, and the conference registration form. **Please be sure to make hotel reservations for the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center before July 4, 2005 to ensure you get the discount rates that have been negotiated – please ask for “MiAPPA”.** Also, please get your registration for the conference in by July 8<sup>th</sup> so that final arrangements can be made.

FSU has designed a program that includes sessions on a variety of topics that should interest everyone. We have also provided an opportunity for our business partners to display their services in the lobby of the Holiday Inn as networking opportunities. Please contact Fonda for further information regarding the exhibit displays if you are interested.

Our entertainment options include a Turf Management Seminar that begins with a clinic hosted by our PGM students at 12:00 pm at the Katke Clubhouse on July 26, 2005 with turf inspection sessions commencing with a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start (including box lunch) at FSU's own Katke Golf Course. Following the 18-hole turf inspection, a light dinner and social gathering will follow to discuss everyone's findings at the University Club located in the lower level of the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center at approximately 6:00 p.m. Also, following cocktails and dinner on the evening of July 27, 2005, comedian Tim Walkoe will provide entertainment to ease you into the evening.

Please let Fonda know if you are bringing a guest so that we can determine a program for them on Wednesday, July 27, 2005 based upon participation and interest.

We look forward to seeing you in July!

Sincerely,

Mike Hughes, AVP for Physical Plant

Enclosures

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