**MPA Staff/Faculty Meeting**

**October 13, 2016**

**Lib 3417**

**Topic:** MPA Admissions Part I: What do we mean by “quality applicant”? What are our givens and what can we/want to change for Fall 2017 Admissions?

**Context:** The MPA Staff is asking the faculty to have this big conversation because changes regarding the CRM and launching a Tacoma pilot cohort are on the horizon, providing a good time to revisit our admissions process.

Doreen

* Highlights & Observations from Spring 2016

Puanani

* Transition year for TG
* Example of faculty, even Director, overriding Admissions Committee decision
  + We all have to agree to trust the process

Randee

* CRM’s potential impact on Admissions
* As readers, what was your experience in 2016?
* Fall 2017 givens:
  + All application materials
  + FERPA
  + 3.0 minimum
  + Feb 1 priority deadline
  + 2 faculty reading all apps
* How do faculty read? Definitions of “quality applicant”
  + Giving meaning to 4 options: A1, A2, Hold Deny
  + Control sheet elements
  + Spreadsheet management

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, November 9, 2016 Library 3417

**Topic:** Admissions Part II: Changes for 2018; Faith Trimble, CEO, The Athena Group