

COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL COGNITION DIVISION

Annual Business Meeting Minutes ~ November 17, 2012 ~ Disney, Orlando, FL

In attendance were: Jeanetta Sims, Bobi Ivonav, Josh Averbeck, Chris Caprenter, Allison Shaw, Deborah Cai, Edward L. Fink, Benjamin Russel, John Banas, Graham Bodie, Mark Hamilton, Janet Meyer, Sunny J. Kim, Sherri Jean Katz, Sonia Jawaid Shaikh, Joseph McGlynn III, Martijn Van Kelegom, Jennifer Hoewe, Brett Sherrick, David Clare, Briana Deangelis, Narine Yegiyen, Matt McGlone, Nik Palomares, Michael Kotowski, Tim Levine, T Makana Chock, Claude Miller

- I. Welcome: Claude Miller welcomed and thanked everyone, then called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM.
- II. Chair Report (Miller & Chock)
 - a. Legislative Assembly
 - i. Dissolution of legislative assembly – fiduciary responsibilities of legislative assembly discussed as reason to dissolve legislative assembly. Proposal sought to create 15-18 member board of governors similar to other associations to have fiduciary responsibility. A separate 35 membership committee elected at-large would be created to determine NCA's stance on policy issues. A member would sit in on board of governors meeting without an opportunity to overrule the board of governors decisions. Much distrust of the proposal was expressed in the legislative assembly. The proposal was initially moved to be sent for general approval but was in effect withdrawn with the opportunity to introduce it again. Impression of division on the proposal was requested. A revision of the by-laws would have to be required for the proposal to be passed. Members on the at-large committee would need to campaign to be elected. The division raised questions about how the division would be represented and what the reasons were for such a proposal.
 1. Members requested more information about the proposal. Torsten Reimer found good reason for examining structure and functioning of legislative assembly but not clear about what the proposal does.
 2. Ed Fink requested more information on how the proposal (and all future proposals) would operate.
 3. Graham Body agreed in principle on changing the structure unwilling to vote on any action.
 4. A copy of the proposal was distributed in September and was requested to be made available to the division.
 5. Mark Hamilton suggested new proposals be put forth to consider the problem.
 - ii. Further discussion of being a non-profit organization, NCA should operate like a non-profit organization. Some discussion occurred on how to spend the surplus of money. Dues will not be raised, but they will not be lowered.
 - iii. High school education in communication approved to allow for backing of high school teachers backing to teach communication courses in other organizations.
 - iv. Approval of importance of courses in general education.
 - v. Education policy in ESL was archived in case problem arises in future.
 - vi. Amended statement on diversity and affirmative action
 - vii. Approved language on domestic partner support for job ads in a dropdown menu for job postings on NCA job site. New job postings will be required to indicate the university's position on domestic partner support.
 - viii. 8 million dollars in assets.

- ix. Concerns on Disney for venue. Primary concerns for 2012 venue were raised including: hotel room rates, food cost, disdain for Disney. These concerns were not evaluated when choosing venue.
 - b. News from Nominating Committee
 - i. Mike Kotowski will replace Makana Chock on nominating committee.
 - ii. Full list will be distributed. New nominations are welcome.
- III. Vice-Chair Report (Chock)
- IV. Research Committee Chair Report (McGlone)
 - a. 35 papers accepted and paneled in 7 panels. 61% acceptance rate (paneled). Scholar to scholar papers unclear if they are included in acceptance rate. One panel discussion accepted.
 - b. No reports of technical difficulties.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Approval of 2011 Minutes: Josh Averbeck passed out the minutes from the 2011 NCA convention in New Orleans.
 - b. Approved with accepted with change to Graham Bodie's name. And names in for question marks.
 - i. Distinguished article name
- VI. New Business (Miller)
 - a. News from Planners Committee about NCA 2013
 - i. Nick Palomares – 'Connections' is theme for 2013 conference. Possibility for some panels occurring off-site. NCA encourages opportunities for connecting with community.
 - ii. 10 slots allocated including business meeting unless it is held at 7am.
 - 1. Potential co-sponsoring with Interpersonal division (36 slots)
 - 2. Nonverbal mentioned as another co-sponsor
 - iii. Saturday business meeting was appreciated, but the planner has limited control on requesting times.
 - iv. Venues
 - 1. Washington DC - 2013
 - 2. Chicago - 2014
 - 3. Las Vegas - 2015
 - 4. Philadelphia - 2016
 - 5. Dallas - 2017
 - b. Elections: Research Committee Member
 - i. Claude Miller explained structure of executive board. There is a 5-year commitment once elected. Matt McGlone offered some explanation of the planning software.
 - 1. Each paper gets 3 reviewers, at least 2 are faculty members.
 - ii. Nominations
 - 1. Bobi Ivanov nominated
 - 2. John Banas nominated
 - 3. Narine Yeghyan nominated
 - 4. Graham Bodie nominated
 - 5. Graham Bodie elected.
 - c. Website – send out link to site
 - i. NCA has link to website that is problematic. Link at NCA is incorrect. Requires password and membership of division.
 - d. Job opening at University of Connecticut – open specialization
- VII. Awards (Miller)

- a. Top Student Paper - Jennifer Hoewe, Brett Sherrick, and Alyssa Appelman “Stereotype priming through news story headlines: Use of the word "terrorist" to prompt implicit associations with muslims”
 - b. Top Three Papers
 - i. Levine, Blair, & Clare “Diagnostic Utility: Experimental Demonstrations and Replications of Powerful Question Effects and Smaller Question by Experience Interactions in High Stake Deception Detection”
 - ii. Bodie, Honeycutt, & Vickery “An Analysis of the Correspondence between Imagined Interaction Attributes and Functions”
 - iii. Reimer, Raab, & Russell “The Message-Primacy Hypothesis: Effects of Argument Quality on the Evaluation of Proponents”
 - c. Distinguished Article Award
 - i. Yeghyan, N. S. (2011). Gun focus effect revisited: Emotional tone modulates information processing strategy. *Communication Research*, 39, 724-737.
- VIII. Adjourn and Inauguration of new officers for 2012-2013 (Chock)
- a. Makana Chock thanked Claude Miller for his service
- IX. Invitation to attend Top Three Paper Panel
- X. Meeting adjourned at 12:05PM