

Communication & Social Cognition Division

Annual Business Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2010; San Francisco, CA

In attendance were:

Lisa Lindsey (Vice Chair) Claude Miller (Vice Chair Elect), T. Makana Chock (Research Chair), Michael Kotowski (Research Chair Elect), Chris R. Morse (Secretary & Webmaster), Matt McGlone, Amy Chadwick, Deborah Cai, Edward L. Fink, Leah Waks, David Clare, Briana DeAngelis, Yi Wang, Josh Averbeck, Kyle Andrews, Christopher Carpenter, Allison Shaw, Stephanie Kelly, Leslie Deatrick, Christine Skubisz, Abigail Pfiester, Janet Meyer, John Greene, Graham Bodie, Nicholas Palomares, Alicia Mason, Kim Serota, Tim Levine, Mark Hamilton, Dale Hample, Lynn Carol Miller, Chad Mahood, David Ewoldsen

I. Call to Order: Lisa Lindsey

- A. Lisa Lindsey called the meeting to order 2:02.
- B. The sign-in sheet was circulated and members were asked to indicate if they were willing to review papers, chair panels, or respond to panel.

II. Approval of 2009 Minutes

- A. Chris Morse passed out the minutes taken at the 2009 NCA convention in Chicago.
- B. A few misspellings of names were corrected. The revised minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Report on Legislative Assembly

- A. Presentation of Concerns from Legislative Assembly
 - 1. Unit redundancy
 - 2. Ensuring quality of convention programming
 - 3. Division size and effectiveness
 - 4. Membership
 - i) LA proposed to prioritize membership when renewing membership (primary, secondary or other). Primary counts as one head count, secondary counts as 1/2. Divisions need 100 members in order to have 2 representatives, 1500 in order to have 4
 - 5. Convention Planning
 - i) LA proposed tracks to which % of slots are assigned. Slots are associated with tracks not division. Papers would thus be submitted based on track and using keyword. Paper reviewers would be based on keywords associated with their profile.
 - ii) Question was raised by member of the division concerning who determines the tracks. Answer was unknown
 - iii) Question was raised by member of the division concerning how keywords are created/selected. Answer was unknown

B. Board asked members to provide feedback on issues put forth by the Legislative Assembly. Comments were as follows

1. There were concerns about measurement issues. One member suggested that maybe people should be given number of votes (10 for example) and be allowed to place them however they want (this was seconded)
2. There was concern over the idea that these convention planning changes would cause CSC division to disappear
3. There were concerns over the data that was utilized to justify the need for these changes
4. There was concern over whether redundancy is a problem
5. There was concern over the makeup of the "committee" that is making these decisions.

C. Call for a motion to oppose both the membership and convention planning proposals put forth by Legislative Assembly was made. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous vote.

D. Budget was discussed in narrative form and was told to be okay for now but there is strong potential for dues to increase in the future. Issue with preregistration policy is on hold for three years, justification for policy is changing.

1. Question was raised as to whether lowering costs was mentioned in budget discussion. Answer was that it was not discussed

IV. Research Committee Chair Report

- A. The division received 71 submissions. This number was up 1/3 from last year.
- B. 39 were paneled, with 1 high density panel and 17 transferred to scholar to scholar.
- C. The acceptance rate was 55%. The overall NCA acceptance rate was 71%.

V. Elections

- A. Nominations were requested for the research chair elect position.
- B. Amy Chadwick was nominated and accepted the nomination. Matthew McGlone was nominated and accepted. Dale Hample was nominated and declined
- C. Following a vote, Matthew McGlone was elected to the research chair elect position

VI. Awards

- A. Top Student Award:
 1. Alicia Mason
- B. Top Four Paper Awards
- C. Distinguished Article Awards:

1. Chung, S., Fink, E. L., & Kaplowitz, S. A. (2008). The comparative statics and dynamics of beliefs: The effect of message discrepancy and source credibility.
2. Blair, J.P., Levine, T.R., & Shaw, A.S. (2010). Content in context improves deception detection accuracy

D. Distinguished Book and Article Awards:

Grabe, M. E. & Bucy, E. P. (2009). *Image Bite Politics: News and the Visual Framing of Elections*. New York: Oxford University Press.

VII. New Biz

- A. Question was put forth about growing the division. Specifically, board was interested in whether division was happy with its size. General response was that the division should be big enough to exist, but not big enough to threaten quality. Goal of 300 members was discussed
- B. Board asked for suggestions on how to grow the division
 1. It was suggested that maybe the division make one of its panels a debate.
 2. It was suggested that we create a handout for presenters to give out at panels involving other CSC panels and the business meeting.
 3. Potentially co-chair a panel with another division
- C. Edward Fink asked to discuss the anti-torture resolution. He discussed how the main opposition to the resolution was focused on the fact that people did not want NCA to become political, and whether or not the CSC division agreed. This topic was discussed at length and the general consensus with the CSC division embracing the idea that we are a political organization.

VIII. Gavel passing

- A. The gavel was passed

IX. Adjournment

- A. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:10pm.