

Meeting Minutes of the Philosophy of Communication Interest Group
Eastern Communication Association
105th Annual Convention 2014: *Dissent*
Providence, Rhode Island
April 24, 2014

In attendance:

Garnet C. Butchart, Duquesne University
Susan Carr, Duquesne University
Hannah Cherico, Duquesne University
Sarah Flinko, Duquesne University
Brian Gilchrist, Duquesne University
Annette Holba, Plymouth State University
Craig Maier, Duquesne University
Kristen Majocha, University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown (chair)
Amanda McKendree, University of Notre Dame (secretary)
Leeanne Bell McManus, Stevenson University
Inci Ozum Ucok-Sayrak, Duquesne University
Joel S. Ward, Bethel University

1. Call to Order

- Kristen Majocha, chair, called meeting to order at 2:32

2. Approval of Minutes for 2013

- Correction to Minutes: Item #4, Update the Report from Executive Council to reflect that the term for Executive Council Representative ends mid 2015.
- Motion to Approve: Leeanne M. Bell McManus
- Sedond: Annette Holba

3. Report from Chair

- The chair reported that 6 panels were slated with a 7th panel shared with Rhetoric.
- The chair thanked reviewers and reminded attendees that reviewer names were listed in the program.

4. Report from Executive Council

- Kristen Majocha's term ends midpoint next year.
- The Interest Group will hold an election next year for executive council representation.
- Kristen reviewed the agenda and reports from the meeting this morning.

- Next year, ECA will have an option to receive program via an app, which will be available PDF. The paper program will be available next year, but in future years will be moving to electronic format only. The organization is moving away from PDF and paper copy.
- The Finance committee moved to allow \$10,000 to hire a company to develop an app for the program. This app will allow for searching by name and/or key terms and developing an electronic schedule.
- Funds in the bank are 600,000+ up from 400,000+ 3 years ago. The Finance committee is reviewing what should be done with surplus of funds.
- A possible location for the 2017 convention is Boston.
- General business meeting is scheduled for Saturday from 4-5:15PM. At this time the winners of the silent book auction will be announced.

5. New Business

- Elections of new Executive Council Representative
 - This election will be held at next year's meeting. The position requires a 2-year commitment.
- Election of Secretary will occur at next year's meeting.
- Election for Vice Chair elect-2016 in Baltimore
 - Nominees: Joel Ward (Bethel University) and Ozum Sayrak (Duquesne University). Each nominee offered a brief statement of interest in the position.
 - Motion to close the nominations: Leanne Bell McManus: Second; Brian Gilchrist
 - Joel Ward was elected Vice Chair elect
 - The chair reminded the attendees that several candidates for any position are an indicator of vibrancy of the interest group.
- 2015 Conference Info and Call for Papers for 2015 (Craig Maier)
 - Call can be found on page 145 of Program Book
 - Location: Philadelphia
 - Theme: Deliberation: Philadelphia
 - Dates: April 22-26
 - Submission deadline: Wednesday, Oct. 15th, 2014
 - Call for Reviewers (Circulated sign-in sheet)
 - Call for Chairs and Respondents (Circulated sign-in sheet)
- Souvenirs from Philadelphia are available in the Exhibit Hall.
- At upcoming conferences business meetings will be planned as separate time slots to avoid competing with panels. Another option is to have people's names submitted to protect their schedule for business meeting.

- There is discussion on moving the dates for Boston. The Baltimore conference may also be scheduled sooner.

6. Old Business

7. Announcements

- Congratulations to Annette Holba for her book award.
- Thank you to Kristen Majocho for her work with the Philosophy of Communication Interest Group.

8. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 2:55
- Motion: Annette Holba
- Second: Leeanne Bell McManus

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