

SSSI Business Meeting
August 10, 2019
2:30 – 3:45 pm
The Westin New York at Times Square

Stacey Hannem called the meeting to order at 2:35 pm.

Treasurer's report – Lisa-Jo van den Scott

We saved \$17,000 this past year due to the every-other-year model. Lisa Jo remarked this is good because of the very expensive meeting in New York.

Motion to accept by Leslie Irvine. Second by Thomas DeGloma. Motion passed.

Journal report -- Scott Harris

Uptick in submissions to the journal to include 140 authors over the last two years.

Upped the word count limit.

Special invitation to several authors to submit papers.

Three special issues in the works.

Impact factor has increased.

New editing process based on html format.

Executive Committee report – Stacey Hannem

By-laws need revision. Stacey Hannem, Tom DeGloma and Patrick McGinty will be working on this during the upcoming year.

Membership numbers are down.

Membership lists are challenging to keep up to date. We are working with Wiley on this.

Stacey Hannem motioned to change the name of the Publications committee to the Publication, Membership and Communication Committee. No second needed since it came from the Executive Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

2020 Couch Stone Symposium -- Andrea Silvini

Location: Pisa, Italy

Dates: June 29 – July 2, 2020

Title: Identities, Boundaries and Social Divisions: Reconciling Competing Frames

Provisional conference brochure has been distributed via email to the Executive Committee.

Report on last year's preconference—Thomas DeGloma and Julie Wiest

Very successful meeting prior to 2018 ASA in Philadelphia. Would like to continue to offer this kind of experience on the off year. Tom and Julie sought sponsorship and partnerships. Low cost preconference with cross pollenization with other academic organizations.

Secretary's report – Laurie Linhart

Laurie reported the results of the election:

- President. Staci Newmahr, Buffalo State CUNY
- Judson Everett, Loyola University of Chicago
- Publications Committee:
 - Rebecca Plante, Ithica College
 - Melissa Lavin, SUNY Oneonta
 - Amanda Gengler, Wake Forest University
 - Eric Silva will be the new publications committee chair

Announcements

Patrick McGinty asked people to start thinking about Couch Stone 2021.

New website for the Society: symbolicinteraction.org

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Laurie J. Linhart, Secretary

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