THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE, INC.

Summary of the Business Meeting
Monday, July 8, 2019
4:15 to 5:00 pm
San Diego Rm
Town and Country Hotel San Diego

Martha Vásquez, Presiding

1. CALL TO ORDER
The Business Meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese was held on Monday, July 8, 2019 in the San Diego Room of the Town and Country San Diego Hotel in San Diego, CA from 4:15pm to 5:00pm with approximately 75 members in attendance. AATSP President Martha Vazquez called the meeting to order.

The agenda items presented and actions taken are outlined below.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion 1: Joy Renjilian Burgy moved to approve the agenda for the Business Meeting. Rachel Mamiya Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by those in attendance.

3. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS
Martha Vázquez introduced the AATSP Board of Directors, staff, and the Coordinators, Directors, and Editors of AATSP programs and publications. Those in attendance stood to be acknowledged by the attendees.

A. Introduction of Members of the Board of Directors

Martha Vásquez, President, San Antonio Independent School District, San Antonio, TX
Ada Ortúzar-Young, President Elect; Madison, NJ
Sheri Spaine Long, Executive Director; AATSP National Office; Birmingham, AL
Cheryl Fuentes-Wagner, Past President; Independent Consultant, Sugarland, TX
Irma Bjerre, Clackamas Community College; Oregon City, OR
Kevin Cessna-Buscemi; National Spanish Examinations; Chesterton, IN
Cynthia Flax, Retired; Clifton Park, NY
Benjamin Fraser, Editor, Hispania; Tucson, AZ
John Maddox; University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL
Kelly Scheetz; Franklin High School; Franklin, TN
Adriana Aloia; Retired, Armonk, NY
Carlos Benavides; University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, North Dartmouth, MA
Stephanie Enseñat Davis; Isidore Newman School, New Orleans, LA  
Rachel Mamiya Hernandez; University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI  
Barbara Pietroski; Retired, Buffalo Grove, IL  
Comfort Pratt; Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

B. Introduction of the AATSP Staff

Dieter Waldvogel, Director of Operations  
Kara Majchrowicz, Director of Financial Services  
Mila Oliveira, Coordinator of Marketing and Membership  
Ashley Bradford Crow, Coordinator of Programs  
Holly Bernhardt, Membership Processing Coordinator  
Lesli Mikenas, NSE Public Relations Specialist & Liaison for Student Services  
Melanie Flick, NSE Financial Services and Marketing Specialist

C. Introduction of the Coordinators, Directors, and Editors

Albricias  
Editor: Faith Blackhurst

Conference Wrap-Up  
Editor: Mary-Anne Vetterling

Hispania  
Editor: Benjamin Fraser  
Book/Media Review Editor: Domnita Dumitrescu  
Managing Editor: Jennifer Brady  
Assistant Managing Editor: Conxita Domenèch

National Spanish Examinations  
Director: Kevin Cessna-Buscemi

Online Classroom Resources  
Coordinator: Carol E. Galvin Flood [NOT PRESENT]

Phi Lambda Beta  
Director: James Krause

Poster Contest  
Coordinator: Crystal Vicente

Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica  
Director: Kelly Scheetz

Spanish and Portuguese Review  
Editor: Stacey M. Johnson

The Portuguese Newsletter  
Editor: Luci Moreira

4. REPORTS

Dieter Waldvogel presented a report on memberships, annual conferences, chapters, communications, general operations of the AATSP, and the results of the 2018 Member Survey.
Kara Majchrowicz presented a report on financial accomplishments, assets and liabilities, revenue and expenses, and financial statements.

**C. Executive Director Report:** Sheri Spaine Long, Executive Director.
Sheri Spaine Long presented a report on ED process, duties, outreach efforts, communications, challenges, accomplishments, and future directions of the AATSP.

5. **RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS**
Sheri Spaine Long recognized the four members of the Board of Directors whose terms will end on December 31, 2019.

- Cheryl Fuentes-Wagner; High school teacher from Houston, TX. Cheryl served as Past-President
- John Maddox, from the University of Alabama Birmingham. John serves as the College and University Representative on the Board of Directors.
- Irma Bjerre, from Clackamas Community College in Oregon City, Oregon. Irma serves as the Community College Representative on the Board of Directors.
- Cynthia Flax, a retired teacher from Clifton Park, NY. Cynthia serves as the High School Representative on the Board of Directors.

6. **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**
Sheri Spaine Long and other members of the staff gave a special/surprised recognition to Kevin Cessna, Director of the NSE, for his long tenure and dedication to the AATSP.

7. **MATTER ARISING**
The were no matters arising.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**
**MOTION 2:** Dieter Waldvogel moved to adjourn the business meeting. Cynthia Flax seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by those in attendance.