Committee on International Cooperation

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Thomas Simon (2016)

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Lijun Yuan (2017)

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Change of Membership as of July 1, 2016
Anne Ashbaugh, Sven Bernecker, Thomas Simon, and Marie-Elise Zovko rotated off the committee in June 2016. In December 2015, Patricia Glazebrook was removed from the committee. She was replaced by Lijun Yuan (Texas State University) whose term started in February 2016 and will end in June 2017. Apart from Lijun Yuan we welcome three new members to the committee:

- Juliet Floyd (Boston University), Member (2016-2019);
- Stephen Gardiner (University of Washington, Seattle), Member (2016-2019);
- Marie-Eve Morin (University of Alberta), Member (2016-2019).

The new chair of the committee is Peter Graham.

Review of Small Grant Funding
In August 2015, CIC reviewed four proposals for the APA's Eastern Division small grant funding.

Scholars at Risk Network
In Spring 2016, the APA joined the Scholars at Risk Network. Peter Graham represented the APA at the Global Congress which was held 8-10 June 2016 in Montreal, Canada. The conference theme was “ Universities in a Dangerous World: Defending Higher Education Communities & Values.”
Letter of Support
On April 21, 2016 CIC wrote a letter of support on behalf of Kuwaiti human rights defender, writer and professor of philosophy at Kuwait University Ms Shaikha Binjasim. She is charged with blasphemy and humiliating the religion of the State for having declared in a television interview that the constitution of Kuwait is above the Quran and Shari'a.

Inter-American Philosophical Society
In Spring 2016, Peter Graham became the APA representative to the Inter-American Philosophical Society. He attended the meeting of the Inter-American Philosophical Society that was held March 30 - April 2016 in Salvador, Brazil.

The Inter-American Philosophical Society will hold its World Congress in Columbia in the summer of 2018.

Brainstorming Meeting
CIC held a brainstorming meeting (via skype group call) on March 15, 2016.

At this meeting it was decided that Peter Graham will contact Ernest Lepore and David Schrader to get an update on the preparations for the 24th World Congress of Philosophy in Beijing. He will report back to the committee and solicit volunteers for a subcommittee.

In 2014 the members of CIC decided to put together a newsletter. The purpose of the newsletter would be to inform philosophers in the U.S. about funding opportunities abroad. The members of CIC are called upon to identify funding agencies and fellowships and forward their reports to the Chair. It would be greatly appreciated if someone volunteered to become the newsletter editor.

Baumgardt Memorial Fellowship
In 2015, APA board of officers made it the responsibility of CIC to award the Baumgardt Memorial Fellowship, given the original intent for the fellowship to be international in nature. The application deadline for the 2017 fellowship is November 1, 2016. In Spring 2016, CIC made some recommendations for where to advertise the Baumgardt Memorial Fellowship.

Fund for Assistance to Overseas Philosophers
The Executive Director asked CIC to make suggestions for additional guidelines or limitations on travel assistance for APA members who reside abroad (see: http://www.apaonline.org/?grants). CIC recommended that the maximum travel assistance should be $500.
CIC-Organized Sessions at APA Divisional Meetings

2016 Eastern Division meeting

Topic: Philosophy and International Scandal I: From Nazi to Anti-Semite: On Heidegger’s Black Notebooks
Chair: Babette Babich (Fordham University and Humboldt University, Berlin)
Speakers: Raphael Zagury-Orly (Bezalel, Jerusalem, Israel)
   “Of Foreclosure in the Phenomenology of Religious Life”
Joseph Cohen (University College Dublin, Ireland)
   “Heidegger’s Jewish Spectre”
Babette Babich (Fordham University and Humboldt University, Berlin)
   “Heidegger’s Black Notebooks: Philosophy on Facebook and Twitter”

Topic: Philosophy and International Scandal II: The Outcry over Freiburg’s Heidegger
Chair: Tracy B. Strong (University of Southampton, UK)
Speakers: Joseph Cohen (University College Dublin, Ireland) and Raphael Zagury-Orly (Bezalel, Jerusalem, Israel)
   “The Future of Continental Philosophy”
Babette Babich (Fordham University and Humboldt University, Berlin)
   “Banning Heidegger (and Nietzsche) in German Philosophy Departments”

2016 Pacific Division meeting

Topic: Academic Boycott
Chair: Raja Halwani (School of the Art Institute of Chicago)
Speakers: Russell Berman (Stanford University)
   “Academic Boycotts and Professional Responsibility”
Samuel Fleischacker (University of Illinois at Chicago)
   “Against Academic Boycotts: The Academy as a Site for Dialogue”
Mohammed Abed (California State University, Los Angeles)
   “The Case for an Academic Boycott of Israel”
Joseph Levine (University of Massachusetts Amherst)
   “Why Boycott Israeli Academic Institutions?”

Topic: Trends in Brazilian Epistemology
Chair: Sven Bernecker (University of California, Irvine)
Speakers: Waldomiro J. Silva Filho (Universidade Federal da Bahia) and Felipe Rocha (Universidade Federal da Bahia)
   “Disagreement and Reflection”
Plinio J. Smith (Universidade Federal de São Paulo)
   “Neo-Pyrrhonian Reflections on Perceptual Knowledge”
Paulo Faria (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul)
“The Vagaries of Action and the Verities of Meaning”
Commentators: Eros Moreira de Carvalho (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul)
Danilo Dantas (University of California, Davis)
Michael Martin (University College London and University California, Berkeley)