Minutes of the 2012 Language & Social Interaction Division Meeting  
Saturday, May 26 - 4:45pm - 6:00pm  
Phoenix Sheraton Downtown Hotel, Phoenix E

1) Call to Order by Evelyn Ho
2) Approval of Minutes from 2011 LSI business meeting: minutes were approved
3) Report from the Board of Directors’ meeting by Evelyn Ho
   a) We should nominate members for awards and for Fellows positions
   b) Trial run of having Chairs go to an in person mid-year board meeting (there will be one in Seattle in January)
   c) 2500 submission for Phoenix, 2nd largest conference since Boston.
      i) How are people liking the mobile app?
   d) Next conference is in London at the Hilton Metropolitan. Theme: Challenging Communication.
   e) Rotation of conference locations: leaning toward end of May even for International conference because they are usually less expensive
   f) Regional conferences: 2013 Oct/Nov in China (mediated communication and global society)
   g) JP Gutierrez is the media/social media coordinator
4) LSI Report about 2012 Convention by Evelyn Ho
   a) Submissions and Panels:

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<td>Competitive Paper panels</td>
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<td>Virtual</td>
<td>2 papers from accepted papers</td>
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   b) Submission Acceptance/Rejection
      • 51 individual papers and extended abstracts were submitted, 22 were accepted for a 43.1% acceptance rate. (vs. last year: 104 submitted, 38 accepted = 36.5% accepted)
      • 3 panels were submitted and 2 were accepted for a 66.67% acceptance rate. (vs. last year: 5 submitted, 4 accepted = 80% accepted)

   c) 2012 Reviewers: Thank you!
      Alena Vasilyeva  Cindy Gallois  Jessica Robles
      Chaim Noy  George Ray  Karen Tracy
      Christian Burgers  Gonen Dori-Hacohen  Kate Dunsmore
d) Awards and Honors & Travel Funding
The top six full papers were read by the Top Paper Award Committee (Thank you to LSI non-planning Vice-Chair or Chair: Theresa Castor, 2011 Top Paper Award Winner: Mats Ekstrom, 2011 Top Student Paper Award Winner: Alena Vasilyeva). Because there was only one student paper in the top six abstracts, the next highest ranked student paper was also invited to compete for top paper.

- Top LSI paper: Letizia Caronia from U of Bologna, "Camouflage techniques in social sciences research: Ignoring interactional details in telephone surveys as a certainty-building device" (LSI $150)

- Top Student paper: Brion van Over from U of Massachusetts, "Accounting for the inexpressible: Routine accounts employed in verbal reports of inexpressible experience" (LSI $150 + ICA Match $150)

- Top Six Papers Recognition:
  - Sunny Lie from U of Massachusetts "'Evangelism' as a key terms for Chinese Indonesian evangelical (CIE) discourse of identity"
  - Jessica Sarah Robles from U of New Hampshire "Ordinary moral constructions of class and gender in a gossip episode"
  - Patricia G. Lange from U of Southern California "Rhetoricizing visual literacies"
  - Miao Li and Francis L.F. Lee from the Chinese U of Hong Kong "Host power and triadic conversation management in radio phone-in talk shows in Hong Kong"

To Maximize funding for as many people as possible, the following funds were also awarded:

- Top Student Paper Runner-Up: Sunny Lie from U of Massachusetts, "'Evangelism' as a key terms for Chinese Indonesian evangelical (CIE) discourse of identity" (LSI $50 + ICA Match $50)

Student Travel Requests
- Hsin-I Yueh: LSI $50+ICA Match $50
- Melissa Meade: LSI $50+ICA Match $50

Travel Requests from Tier C country
- Alena Vasilyeva: LSI $100

5) Budget Report
The Division began with $786. We gave $550 away in prizes and travel funding and the remaining $236 was used for the reception.
6) Old Business
   a) Submissions. In 2012 we accepted both Extended Abstracts + Full Papers and allowed only the Full Papers to compete for Top Paper. The top 10% (or 5) papers were chosen + the next highest student paper since there was only 1 student paper in the top 5. Papers were read and ranked by January 31st. This allowed LSI to include top paper designations in the printed program. This is the 3rd of 3 experimental years we said we would do this. We discussed and agreed to continue this policy.

7) New Business
   a) Nominations for Vice-Chair.
      Two candidates: **Alena Vasilyeva & Paul Denvir**
   b) Feedback on the virtual conference: Feedback was positive from those who viewed it although not many in attendance had gone online.
   c) Feedback on the extended session: Feedback was positive; some people suggested having fewer papers so presenters would get a bit more time for discussion.
   d) Discussion on how to increase submissions and/or membership.
   e) Preconference or other ideas for London 2013: **Karen Tracy**
   f) Spending our budget: Current policy is the Vice-Chair and Chair just decide. We agreed on the following priorities:
      1) Prioritizing ‘spreading the funding’
      2) Travel awards given only to those who are presenting in LSI
      3) Prioritize travel awards to a) students OR b) those from tier C&D countries
      4) Travel funding to LSI members

8) Meeting adjourned, LSI Division Social Gathering

*Minutes submitted by Jessica Robles, Secretary*