

WSCA Legislative Assembly Minutes
Sunday, February 24, 2019
6:30 – 8:45 pm Madison Ballroom
Renaissance, Seattle, WA
APPROVED

- I. Brian Heisterkamp, President - call to order at 6:41pm
- II. Announcement of Recording Secretary, Jennifer Fowlie, and Parliamentarian, Antonio De La Garza (Heisterkamp)
- III. Review of Legislative Assembly Procedures (Heisterkamp)
- IV. Approval of the Agenda (Heisterkamp)-approved
- V. Credentials Committee Report – Santhosh Chandrashekar, Maria Blevins, and Oscar Alfonso Mejia.
- VI. Approval of 2018 Legislative Assembly Minutes (Heisterkamp)-approved
- VII. Information Items
 - A. Results of Association-wide Elections (Heisterkamp)
 - i. First Vice President: Christina Yoshimura
 - ii. Second Vice President: Shinsuke Eguchi
 - iii. Delegates-at-Large to the Legislative Assembly: Fatima Alaoui, Carlos Flores, Hillary Jones, Nikki Yeboah, and Alaina Zanin
 - B. 2018 Post Convention Survey results (Heisterkamp)
 - C. Professional Investment Company (Heisterkamp)-North Berkley
 - D. Executive Council Actions & WSCA Information (Heisterkamp)
 - i. Appointment of new Executive Director- Sara Hayden-University of Montana
 - i. Appointment of new WSCA News & Social Media Editor-Maria Blevins-Utah Valley University
 - ii. Rejected a Multi-Year Contract deal for future hotels
 - iii. Rejected a Proposal to Eliminate the Model Communication Program Award
 - iv. Discussed WJC Difficulties with Taylor and Francis
 - v. 2020 Denver Local Host-Metropolitan State University, Denver
 - vi. 2023 Phoenix Convention Hotel- Hyatt Regency- \$209 per night room rate/\$40,000 food and beverage
 - vii. 2024 Convention City- Sacramento- Reno or Anaheim
 - viii. 2025 Local Host-University of New Mexico
 - ix. 2019 Convention Registration- 744
 - x. 2019 WSCA Membership- 767
 - xi. Edited Policies: (1) Dissolving an Interest Group Criteria, (2) Clarified Financial Investment Language

xii. Adding a Policy to add IRB Check Box to Online Submissions

E. Jan – June 30, 2018 Budget-Column J (Hundley)

F. July 1 – present Budget-Column L (Hundley)

G. WSCA 2018 Assets (Heisterkamp)

VIII. Reports from NCA Legislative Council:

Representatives: Nina Reich, 2016-2018; Colleen McGoff, 2017-2019, Robert Stockton, 2018-2020 - Members not present.

IX. Action Items

A. Proposed 2019/2020 July 1-June 30 budget- Column M-Motion carries unanimously (Hundley)

B. Proposed Rationale and Aims for the Previously Passed Statement on Anti-Discrimination and Diversity- accepted with minor wording change to rationale (Heisterkamp)

C. Proposed NCA Net Neutrality Statement- no dissent (Heisterkamp)

D. Proposed Western States Forensics Tournament “Best in the West” Award- motion carries unanimously (Heisterkamp)

E. Resolutions/Actions from Interest Groups

F. Resolutions/Actions from the Floor

G. Resolutions of Appreciation

Be it resolved: that the Western States Communication Association expresses its heartfelt appreciation to the following for their service: Rob Lane amended to include Executive Director and her assistant- motion carries

Michelle Holling, Immediate Past President of WSCA;

Brian Heisterkamp, President of WSCA;

Rodney Reynolds, for convention program planning;

Marnel Niles Goins for membership drive efforts;

Justin Boren, Second Vice President, for planning the Undergraduate Scholars Research Conference, the Graduate Students Workshop, and the Graduate Programs Open House;

All committee members who have served during the year;

Christine Harold, the Local Host Committee, and the faculty, students, and staff of University of Washington Department of Communication for convention arrangements;

Carlos Tarin for coordinating the Western States Communication Association tournament;

Karyn Tanaka and the staff and management of the Renaissance Seattle Hotel for their outstanding service and hospitality;

Be it resolved further that the outgoing President of WSCA be instructed to write letters communicating the appreciation of the Legislative Assembly to the above named persons and to their appropriate administrators.

Layne asked why the Executive Director is not shown appreciation and if it was odd for the President to thank himself and write a letter to himself.

Heisterkamp agreed to include the Executive Director and to have the incoming President thank the outgoing President.

X. Elections

- A. At-Large Representatives to Executive Council – **two members** (to serve 2019-2021, starting with the meeting tomorrow morning, including an annual meeting at NCA the evening prior to the convention and an annual meeting at WSCA the day prior to the convention). These representatives are required to be at the WSCA conventions in Denver and Irvine as well as the NCA conventions in Baltimore and Indianapolis. Stepping off are Audrey Deterding and Derek Buescher. Continuing on are Wendy Hine and Colleen McGoff Dean. Two nominees recommended from the Nominating Committee – Rob Layne from Middle Tennessee State University and Anthony Cuomo of West Los Angeles College were elected to fill the position vacated by Audrey Deterding and Derek Buescher.
- B. WSCA Nominating Committee – **two members** (to serve in the 2019-2020 starting after the current convention). The current members ending their terms are Pavi Prasad and Michael Walker. The committee members consist of Brian Heisterkamp (Chair), Keith Nainby (Elected by EC), 2 newly LA elected members, 1 newly EC elected member, and the following Interest Groups' Chairs: Kimberly Aguilar Communication & Instruction, Krista Phair Freedom of Expression & Political Communication, Brian Rogers Health Communication, Tiffany Dykstra-DeVette Organizational Communication, and Duncan Stewart Western Forensics and Argumentation Association. Michael Lechuga from the University of Minnesota and Nikki Yeboah of San Jose State University were elected to serve on the WSCA Nominating Committee.
- C. WSCA Representative to the NCA Legislative Assembly – **one member** (to serve 2019-through WSCA Convention in 2021 starting with the NCA Convention in Baltimore, including Wednesday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday morning meetings). This is a three-year term and the representative is required to attend the next three NCA conventions (Baltimore, Indianapolis, and Seattle) and WSCA conventions (Denver, Irvine, and Portland). Stepping off the committee is Nina Reich. Other members include Colleen McGoff Dean and Robert Stockton. Melissa Tafoya from La Sierra University was voted to serve in this position.
- D. WSCA Scholar Award Committee – **one member to serve 2019-2021** starting after the current convention. The member ending the term on this committee is Bernadette Calafell. Other members include Jose Maldonado, a newly LA-elected member, a newly EC appointed member, a newly Presidential appointment of a past *WJC* or *CR* editor, and an At-Large Representative to Executive Council (see A above). Roberta Chevrette of Middle Tennessee State University was elected to serve.
- E. Distinguished Teaching Award – **one member to serve 2019-2021** starting after the current convention. The member ending the term is Shinsuke Eguchi. Other members include Colleen McGoff Dean (Chair), Benny LeMaster, a Presidential appointment, and a newly LA-elected member. Carlos Flores of University of Nevada, Las Vegas was elected to serve.
- F. There were two motions made to extend the meeting by 15 minutes each. Michelle Holling of California State University, San Marcos made first motion and Michael Walker of Arizona State University West made the second request for an extension.

Heisterkamp adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm