

NCA 2022 APAC/SD Business Meeting Minutes

Saturday, November 19, 2022

11 am CST to 12:15 pm CST

Sheraton, Napoleon Ballroom C1 - 3rd Floor

Minutes Taken by: Keisuke Kimura, APAC/SD Secretary

- I. Welcome - Chair Richie Neil Hao
- II. Introductions - Officers and Members
Richie Neil Hao (Chair), Ali Na (Vice Chair), Zhuo Ban (Vice Chair-Elect), Andy Kai-chun Chuang (2nd Vice Chair-Elect), Keisuke Kimura (Secretary), Anjuli Brekke (IDEA Council Representative), Shaunak Sastry (Immediate Past Chair), Tate Adams & Megu Itoh (Student Representatives).
- III. Approval of 2021 Minutes
 - Motions
 - Seconds from the floor
 - Unanimous approval. All in favor of moving forward.
- IV. Report from Legislative Assembly (Richie Neil Hao)
 - Membership revenue concern: Strategy for the long-term sustenance of membership.
 - NCA Survey: Social and cultural issues as barriers that lead to members' dissatisfaction. International and transnational members are not properly represented.
 - NCA Strategic Plan: Adding a language that emphasizes NCA as an agent to promote IDEA initiatives approved.
 - o Question from the floor about the clarity of when NCA implements the changes. Richie Hao – we do not have a complete response at this time.
 - A new “Communication Anxiety and Apprehension Interest Group” is approved.
- V. Report from Officers:
 - A. Chair's Update on Budget (Richie Neil Hao)
 - The budget hasn't changed from the last year.
 - 2022 budget: \$1850 (APA Caucus \$1350 & APACSD \$500)
 - Plaques = \$400, Top Paper Cash Awards = \$400, Business meeting refreshments (\$350) & Mentoring refreshments (\$300)
 - B. Program Planner/Vice Chair's Report (Ali Na):
 - Submissions and Acceptance
 - a) 26 competitive papers received (22 were accepted and 2 were transferred; 2 were declined).
 - b) 2 performances received and accepted.
 - c) 4 panel discussions received and accepted.
 - d) 10 paper sessions received and accepted.
 - Top Papers
 - a) Megu Itoh, “(Re)theorizing Kizuna: Reimagining Relationality for More Livable Lives”

- b) Anita Silwal, “A salient belief elicitation examining South Asian’s mental health”
- c) Santhosh Chandrashekar, “What’s cooking? Caste as the (not so) secret ingredient of Indian American identity”
- d) Joaquin Torre, “Tattooing Decolonial and Indigenous Futurity”

C. Vice Chair-Elect’s Report (Zhuo Ban):

- 15 slots for the next year.
- Please sign up for reviewers.
- Submission Call: January
- Submission Tentative Deadline: March 29, 2023
- Awards Process and Committees: Thank you for the selection committee.
- Award Recipients
 - a) Outstanding Article: Corinne Sugino, “Foreign Intrusions: An exploration of Asian American historical memory through food-related discourses”
 - b) Outstanding Dissertation: Andrew Gilmore, “Hong Kong’s Umbrella and Hard Hat Revolution: Toward a Theory of the Ideology of Protest Strategies”
 - c) Outstanding Book (2 recipients):
 - (1) Hsin-I Cheng, Cultivating membership in Taiwan and beyond: Relational citizenship.
 - (2) Elaine Jingyan Yuan, The Web of Meaning: the internet in a changing Chinese society

D. 2nd Vice Chair-Elect’s Report (Andy Kai-chun Chuang)

- Great turnout for the mentoring panel. Creating space to showcase that you are not alone and that we are here to support/resource. There was an unfortunate fire alarm towards the end of the session that stopped the session.
- Next year’s award announcement (5 awards):
 - a) Outstanding Article Award
 - b) Outstanding Book Award
 - c) Outstanding Dissertation Award
 - d) Outstanding Creative Project/Performance Award
 - e) Faculty Mentorship Award
 - f) Early Career Award will be in 2024
 - g) Distinguished Scholar Award will be in 2025
- Award Call (tentatively) in early May and deadline in July – follow APAC/SD Facebook page and listserv for information.
- Further discussions on the mentoring panel.
 - a) Shaunak Sastry – the mentoring panel was great. Notes on how other divisions also started implementing the mentoring panel that this division/caucus started.
 - b) Suggestion from the floor: Maybe we need bigger space?
Shaunak Sastry – it depends on NCA’s projection of how many

people would come. Andy Kai-chun Chuang – 64 preregistered members and more people actually came (people who didn't register). This year, we estimated 70 based on the registration. Maybe we can consider projecting 100 for next year to get a larger space.

- c) Idea from the floor: Would GIFT format be better? Andy Kai-chun Chuang– or maybe like the Scholar's Office? Richie Neil Hao – we will consider these ideas for next year's program planning.

E. Secretary's Report (Keisuke Kimura)

- Please continue sending the announcements and job calls via email or our Google Form.

F. IDEA Council Representative's Report (Anjuli Brekke)

- Put four panels for IDEA Council.
- Please join the inter-caucus reception tonight.
- IDEA Council Business Meeting report: Discussions on how the office can meet the needs of IDEA.

VI. Amendments to Bylaws (Richie Neil Hao)

- A. Article 4 Section 3: Minor line addition ("The 2nd Vice-Chair-Elect shall lead the planning for and coordinating of the annual mentoring panel"). Majority-vote and approved.

- B. Article 4 Section 7: Language addition ("The Chair shall succeed to the office of Past Chair. The Past Chair shall hold a one-year position as a chair of the caucus and division's Nominating Committee. The Past Chair shall also serve as the caucus and division's representative on NCA's Nominating Committee"). Majority-vote and approved.

- C. Article 4 Section 8: Term change from "Diversity" to "IDEA." Majority-vote and approved.

- D. Article 4 Section 12: Change proposal about the election process to switch to online ballot.

- Shaunak Sastry – follow-ups on the reason for the change.
- Zhuo Ban – addresses the issue of the floor nomination at the NCA Business Meeting.
- Question from the floor – Does all the voting happen before NCA? Richie Neil Hao – Either way, we're only proposing the election to be held online (timeline to be determined).
- Question from the floor – For voting, membership to this division/caucus has to be active? Richie Neil Hao & Shaunak Sastry – Yes.
- Question from the floor – Can people who are not participating in person participate in the business meeting (e.g., awards)? Richie Neil Hao – At this time, we cannot promise reliable Internet access at the physical convention location to hold the business meeting.
- Comment from the floor – (About the online ballot) There might be people who are not invested in the division/caucus vote. And I am personally not comfortable with online voting without knowing the specific procedures (e.g., timeline). Richie Neil Hao – That's something that needs to be discussed for next year. Comment from the floor – My response to who I

may vote for might be different before and after the NCA. I like hearing voices from candidates. Instead of A or B (nominations sent by nominating committee or nominations from the floor), what about A and B? Shaunak Sastry – For the NCA ballot, their system will host the election for us. Last year, we solicited the nomination from the floor at NCA Business Meeting, then, sent the information to the NCA officer. There was fairly decent participation. They also secure the ballot. Richie Neil Hao – In responding to the earlier point, we can put the language of “division members only” in the bylaw for online voting participation. Is there any support at all for the online format for this year (yes or no)? 3/21 supported the online voting to be in effect this year (did not approve). We will not change it for this year. We will discuss the details for next year.

E. Article 7, Section 2:

- Question from the floor – What is the nominating committee? What does this change look like? Richie – Explained the function of the committee and composition of the Past Chair and two elected members.
- Suggestion from the floor – Possible friendly amendment for adding “The nominating committee members will serve for a one-year term.” Motion – Majority-vote approved.

F. Suggestion from the floor – Friendly amendment to change from “November 2019” to November 2022” on the bylaws’ footer.

VII. Nominations (Richie Neil Hao) – Introduced brief descriptions of each position.

A. 2nd Vice-Chair Elect (5-year commitment):

- Emi Kanemoto

B. Secretary (2-year term)

- Keisuke Kimura

C. Nominating Committee Members (2 positions, one-year term)

- Anjana Mudambi
- Sydney Yueh

D. Student Representative(s) (1-year term)

- Curtis Ladrillo Chamblee

VIII. Elections Online – We are not holding the election online. We closed the election with no opponent against nominees.

IX. 2023 Convention’s APAC/SD Chair: Ali Na

A. Shaunak Sastry – Current conversations about belonging for the Southeast Asian folx in the division/caucus.

B. Question from the floor – Is there a discussion of changing the name of our division/caucus to “Pan-Asian”? Shaunak Sastry – Addressed the issue of using “pan” but the importance of discussing the inclusive term for our division/caucus.

X. Announcements