NCA Political Communication Division Business Meeting

November 19, 2022: 11:00 AM (CST)

*Meeting Minutes, prepared by Freddie Jennings, University of Arkansas*

**Call to Order and Welcome (11:00 am), Ashley Muddiman, University of Kansas**

* Acknowledged PCD executive leadership team

**Approval of 2021 Minutes, Freddie Jennings, University of Arkansas**

* 2021 minutes were circulated via email
* No corrections from the floor
* Motion to approve: Benjamin Smith
* Second: Shannon McGregor

**Statements from candidates for PCD Vice-Chair Elect**

* Cynthia Peacock
  + Assistant Professor of Communication Studies at the University of Alabama

**Statements from candidates for Secretary**

* Benjamin K. Smith (California State University)
* Nathan Walter (Northwestern University)

**Statements from candidates for Web Master**

* Bryan Paul (American Council of Trustees and Alumni)
* Joel Reed (Illinois State University

**Statements from candidates for PCD Nomination Committee**

* Daniel Chick (University of Kansas)
* Chrys Egan (Salisbury University)
* Dakota Park-Ozee (University of Denver)
* Shannon Poulsen (The Ohio State University)
* Alcides Velasquez (University of Kansas)

Ballot will be electronic and sent to PCD following NCA

**Officer reports**

* Vice Chair and Program Planner, Kelly Winfrey, Iowa State University
  + Overview of 2022 PCD Program
  + 2022 Annual Meeting Statistics
    - 24 Slots + 1 additional slot (24 in 2021; 25 slots in 2020; 27 slots in 2018 and 2019)
      * 21 paper sessions
      * 3 discussion panels
      * 1 business meeting
    - Competitive Paper Submissions
      * 130 paper submissions: 88 papers submitted + 42 Works in Progress (109: 80 & 29 in 2021; 76 in 2019; 102 in 2018)
      * 69% accepted (66% last year, 71% in 2020)
    - Panel Submissions
      * 12 discussion and paper panels submitted
      * 7 accepted
    - Increase in submissions from the previous few years to where it was before
      * 2022: 142
      * 2021: 138
      * 2020: 101
      * 2019: 105
      * 2018: 117
      * 2017: 138
      * 2016: 138
    - Issued thanks to:
      * Ashley Muddiman, Josh Scacco, Freddie Jennings, Benjamin Smith, Jessica Collier
      * Reviewers (114), chairs, and respondents
      * Walid Afifi, Kristin Yednock & William Eichhorn and others at the NCA office
* Vice Chair Elect, Joshua M. Scacco, University of South Florida
  + Looking ahead to NCA 2023 in National Harbor, Nov 16-19
    - Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
    - Theme: Freedom
    - Submission Deadline: March 29, 2023
    - Encouraged Reviewers
    - Continued Consideration of Format Types (Roundtables & Works-in-Progress)
    - 20 slots, down from 25
* Webmaster, Benjamin K. Smith, California State University
  + Change in PCD website: operated by NCA
  + Division communication primarily through Facebook
  + Possible change of title and bylaw description for position
* Chair Report, Ashley Muddiman, University of Kansas
  + Legislative Assembly Update
    - New Strategic Plan (1 amendment passed)
    - Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access (IDEA) plan
    - NCA conducting membership survey
    - NCA budget decreased
  + PCD Budget
    - $1,050
      * $500 for plagues for PCD award winners
      * $500 for top student papers ($125 each)
      * $50 for miscellaneous
  + Slight decrease in membership (from 586 to 543, but still up compared to 2018-2020)
  + Old Business:
    - Amendment to PCD bylaws: Legislative Assembly Representatives: Chair, Vice-Chair, and Vice-Chair-Elect (Article 4, Section 11)
      * Proposed change: ​ “Section 12: The Chair and Vice Chair elect shall serve as division representatives to the Legislative Assembly. At such times that the division's membership allows for three representatives on Legislative Assembly, the vice-chair elect also shall serve as a representative of the division.”
    - Continued flexibility of submission format and author institutional rank
    - Focus on mentoring
    - Consideration of role of chair and respondents in a panel
    - Call for feedback on issues of diversity of topics, formats, and ranks
  + New Business
    - Digital first and Pfau Outstanding Article Award
    - Nominations

**Awards**

* ***Roderick P. Hart Outstanding Book Award*** 
  + Committee: Kate Kenski (Chair), Paul E. Johnson, Alcides Velasquez
  + **Honorable Mention:** Michael McDevitt. (2020). Where Ideas Go To Die: The Fate of Intellect in American Journalism. Oxford University Press.
  + **Honorable Mention:** Stephen J. Heidt. (2021). Resowing the Seeds of War: Presidential Peace Rhetoric since 1945. Michigan State University Press.
  + **WINNER:** Sarah Sobieraj. (2020). *Credible Threat: Attacks Against Women Online and the Future of Democracy.*Oxford University Press.
  + **WINNER:** Joshua M. Scacco and Kevin Coe. (2021). *The Ubiquitous Presidency: Presidential Communication and Digital Democracy in Tumultuous Times.*Oxford University Press.
* ***Lynda Lee Kaid Outstanding Dissertation Award*** 
  + Committee: Calvin Coker (Chair), Kevin Coe, Jessica Collier
  + **WINNER:** Yujin Kim. How Language Use on Facebook Drives Affective Polarization.
* ***Michael Pfau Outstanding Article Award*** 
  + Committee: Hsuan-Ting Chen (Chair), Christina Knopf, Sumana Chattopadhyay
  + **WINNERS:** Allison Prasch. (2021). The Rise of the Global Rhetorical Presidency. *Presidential Studies Quarterly,* 51, 327-356.
* **Top Student Paper Award:** Abby Youran Qin “Staying Tuned for Censored Information Sources? A media habit approach to immigrants’ information practices”
* **Top Student Panel**
  + Nana Kwame Osei Fordjour: “'Vice President Harris to the world': Authenticity, Twitter, and image construction through multimodal lenses”
  + Emilio Lopez Horner: “Tom Watson, Race, and Populist Rhetoric in the 1890s”
  + Andrea Lorenz:“‘Expected to be all of these things that some of us just simply are not’: Construction of Women’s Political Candidate Identities at the Intersection”
* **Top Paper Award:** Robert Hinck, Edward A. Hinck, and Shelly Schaefer Hinck, “Gender, Politeness, and the 2020 Democratic Presidential Primary Debates”
* **Top Paper Panel**
  + Sumana Chattopadhyay: “Moving on from the Trump Years: Understanding News Coverage of Central American Migrants in Biden’s America”
  + Dale A. Herbeck & Sara A. Mehltretter Drury: “One Debate, Two Frames: The McKeesport Junto of April 21, 1947”
  + Lichen Zhen & Nathaniel Curran: “Tragedy or Farce? Chinese Netizens’ Nationalist and Populist Discursive Construction of American Political Theater”
* **Outstanding Service to the Division**
  + Colene Lind, Kansas State University, Political Communication Division Chair 2021
* **Installation of New Chair**

Motion to adjourn: Kevin Coe

Second: Benjamin Smith

Adjourned at 12:04