

NCA 2021 APAC/SD Virtual Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 12, 2021

11am PST to 12:15pm PST

Minutes Taken By: Julia DeCook, APAC/SD Secretary

- I. Welcome - Chair Shaunak Sastry calls meeting to order
- II. Introductions - Officers and Members
 - A. Shaunak Sastry (chair), Richie Hao (vice-chair), Ali Na (vice-chair elect), Zhuo Ban (2nd vice chair elect), Julia DeCook (secretary), Elizabeth Parks (IDEA council representative)
 - B. Rebecca de Souza (immediate past chair), Jing Jiang (student representative, but now graduated)
- III. Old Business
 - A. Approval of 2020 Minutes
 1. Louisa Ha Motions
 2. Andy Chuang seconds
 3. Unanimous approval
 - B. In person business meeting reminder (Friday, November 19, 8am PST)
 1. Washington State Convention Center 210, Second Level
 2. What are we going o do there?
 - a) Report from Legislative Assembly (share with the division and send over email via newsletter)
 - b) Soliciting additional nominations for divisional elections form the floor
 - c) Discussion of "new business" (if necessary)
 - d) Re-cap of points of this meeting as needed
 - C. Chair's update on budget
 1. 2021 budget: \$1850, APA Caucus \$1350, APAC/SD \$500
 2. Plaques = \$700, Top Paper Cash Awards = \$500, Graduate student travel monies \$450 (not spent), mentoring session refreshments = \$200
 3. Because of people's anxieties about traveling we did not spend these funds, but we can spend these funds by the end of NCA. Maybe spending the money to subsidize travel for student members? But there wasn't a good way to figure out how to spend this money fairly.
 - a) Leilani Nishime - is the problem that we don't know who is attending the conference in person?
 - b) Ali Na - we could put out a call via the listserv for graduate students/undergraduate students who are attending NCA to submit their names and we can divide the money or donate some of the money to an organization that makes sense to donate to
 - c) Rebecca de Souza - are top paper winners getting money?
 - d) Shaunak to reconnect with Julia to send something out before the NCA conference

D. Program Planner/Vice Chair's Report (Richie Hao)

1. Added individual performance and film session for submission
 - a) 18 slots (16 initial, 2 additional proposed and granted)
 - b) 11 slots for caucus and 7 slots for division
 - (1) 41 competitive papers and performances received (30 accepted, but 2 were transferred to scholar-to-scholar due to limited slots)
 - (2) Highly encourage competitive paper submissions to consider scholar-to-scholar because it gives us more slots
 - (3) 11 discussion and paper panels received (10 accepted)
 - (4) 1 performance panel, first time in many years. We were able to do this because we introduced this as an option rather than requiring people to put together a whole panel of performance
 - c) Programmed performance and grad student professional development panels
 - (1) A panel for graduate students for development (this is an additional slot) that Richie Hao pushed for as part of our programming. Requested it from NCA office specifically for this purpose.
 - (2) The graduate student panel is scheduled on Nov 21, 9:30am Sunday. Purpose is to inform grad students that there are different opportunities out there (teaching and non-teaching) that when you're applying for positions
 - d) Annual mentoring panel
 - e) Many of our panels and presentation sessions have a lot of co-sponsorship with other caucuses and divisions, which helps with visibility
2. Many thanks to the reviewers (52 reviewers total)
 - a) Most people got 2 or 3 papers to review
3. Much appreciation to all of the chairs, respondents, and presenters/performers
4. Reminders for attendees:
 - a) Presenters unable to attend may deliver presentations in one of two ways
 - (1) Paper presentations may be delivered by someone else who is attending
 - (2) Paper presentations may be pre-recorded and, prior to the convention, sent to the session chair who can download the material to their personal computer and play it during the session
 - (a) Make sure presentation room has an AV set up. To confirm AV capabilities of your presentation room, email convention@natcom.org

- (3) Visit NCA convention website for vaccination verification and other requirements
- 5. Request for volunteers from Richie Hao:
 - a) LA Representative: Nov 17th (12-4 pm PST) still needed, can let us know in the meeting or contact Richie to let them know
 - b) Chair for Top Paper Session on Nov 19th needed
- E. Vice Chair Elect's Report (Ali Na):
 - 1. Awards Process and Committees
 - a) Awards process went fair well and it was an odd time to be asking people to do service. Many people couldn't do service this year and grateful to those who did say yes.
 - b) Awards Selection Committee (19 members)
 - (1) 7 awards were given out
 - (2) Didn't want people to have to read for too many things but focus on specific pools of applicants
 - (3) People were split up into groups and were selected based on research
 - (4) Aimed to have a balance of senior scholars, ECRs, and grad students in different areas of research
 - 2. Shaunak comment: the reason why people are talking about what they did this year to encourage people to nominate and self-nominate
- F. Secretary report (Julia DeCook)
 - 1. Google form implementation has been particularly helpful for sharing newsletter items
- G. 2nd Vice Chair Report (Zhuo Ban)
 - 1. Mentoring and networking session to be hosted virtually during the original convention slot (November 20, 3:30pm PST)
 - 2. Format like the 2020 session, breakout rooms led by e-board members
 - 3. Zoom link for the meeting to be posted on APAC/SD Facebook page and the newsletter
 - 4. Shaunak comment: our mentoring/networking session has become a signature part of our programming
 - 5. We move it to virtual because a lot of people are unable to attend, and even though we weren't supposed to make it virtual but we decided to do so anyway
- H. Award Winners
 - 1. Distinguished Scholar Award - Dr. Kent Ono
 - 2. Faculty Mentorship Award - Dr. Shinsuke Eguchi
 - 3. Early Career Award (two winners) - Dr. Slaire Shinhea Lee and Dr. Dhiman Chattapadhyay
 - a) We gave two awards because both were so impressive
 - 4. Outstanding Creative Project/Performance Award: Dr. Mike Alvarez
 - a) Available on their website

5. Outstanding book award: Dr. Joy-Chin Chung Chao and Dr. Louisa Ha for their co-edited book "Asian Women Leadership: A Cross-National and Cross-Sector Companion"
6. Outstanding dissertation award: Dr. Zhiqiu Benson Zhou, dissertation titled "Homonormative Desires: Identities, Masculinities, and Sexual Hierarchies in Urban China"
7. Outstanding article award: Dr. Andy Kai-chun Chuang, Article Titled "A Local Gay Man/Tongzhi or a Transnational Queer/Queer/Kuer: (Re)ORganizing my queerness and Asianness through personal reflection"
8. 2021 Top Paper Awards:
 - a) Shinsuke Eguchi
 - b) Terrie Siang-Ting Wong and Shuzhen Huang
 - c) Corinne Mitsuye Sugino (also received an award from NCA)
 - d) Euni Kim

IV. New Business

A. Nominations for open slots

1. 2nd Vice Chair (5 year commitment)
 - a) Eventually becoming chair
2. IDEA Council Representative (3 year commitment)
 - a) Three year term starting January 2022
 - b) Each caucus sends one representative to NCA's IDEA Council
 - c) IDEA Council rep voices the D&I agenda of the caucus to the council
 - d) Get to connect with leadership of the other caucuses
3. Student Representatives

B. Nominations:

1. 2nd Vice Chair:
 - a) Andy Kai-chun Chuang
 - b) Terrie Siang-Ting Wong
2. IDEA Council Representative
 - a) Anjuli Joshi Brekke
3. Student Representatives
 - a) Keisuke Kimura
 - b) Megu Itoh
 - c) Tate Adams
4. Elections will be run online
 - a) May need to ask for nominations on the floor in-person
 - b) Will use an NCA secure-ballot in early December
 - c) Will need photographs and a blurb for 2nd vice chair positions

C. Bylaws amendments

1. Very minor changes, changing names and terms
 - a) Change Diversity Committee to IDEA Committee

2. Move this discussion to in-person and share a report with people who are not here
- D. Amount of time and effort that it takes for our awards and whether we need to think about the service load on the one person running the awards
1. Since 2018 we've tried to increase the profile of our awards, and this is great, but this brings about workload considerations for our committee
 2. Space these awards out and have them bi-annual or a rotational award
 3. Share responsibilities among other offices (chairs and past chairs split the work)
 4. Have a single selection committee/develop rubrics that streamline the process
 5. Ali Na: it really is too many awards to be running yearly, for the article award there are three to four subcommittees and it would be helpful to whoever does this to have less to do overall.
 6. Richie Hao: doing five awards at a time, Ali had seven. It's challenging to get reviewers and the amount of time to come to a conclusion took a long time and it's a long summer process and we don't have a lot of time that can be devoted to that.
 7. Maybe a few of the awards can be offered every other year and that way, the load is more manageable. Other divisions and caucuses do that.
 8. Zhuo Ban: since Zhuo will be working on the awards and then see what the process looks like and how that impacts the workload
 9. Can continue the discussion to determine which ones we should pick and which ones we should rotate
- E. 2022 Convention is in New Orleans and Ali Na will be our program planner
1. Dr. Richie Hao will be the chair of APAC/SD