

**COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL COGNITION DIVISION**  
**Annual Business Meeting Agenda**  
**Virtual**  
**Sat, November 7, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM EST**

**2020 Officers**

John Banas (University of Oklahoma), Chair  
Torsten Reimer (Purdue University), Vice Chair  
Matthew Grizzard (Ohio State University), Vice Chair-Elect  
Christopher Carpenter (Western Illinois University), Research Chair  
Tillman Russell (Georgia State University), Research Chair-Elect  
Shay Yao (Michigan State University), Secretary  
Allison Shaw (SUNY, Buffalo), Immediate Past Chair (Resigned)

- I. Report from NCA representative
  - a. Spectra is completely virtual now.
  - b. The NCA Podcast will launch soon.
  - c. NCA Anti-Racism resource bank is available on the website.
  - d. NCA online learning resources is available on the website.
  - e. Every major event will still be available this year.
  - f. NCA has a Discord channel to facilitate “in-person” conversation this year.  
<https://discord.gg/FpwtzgW>
- II. Call to order (circulate attendance/reviewer/respondent/chair sheet)
- III. Approval of 2019 minutes (Banas) – minutes approved
- IV. Report on Legislative Assembly
- V. Present Walid Afifi’s case to run for the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of NCA (Crowley)
- VI. Research Committee Chair Report (Carpenter)
  - a. 9 slots assigned
  - b. 86% acceptance rate; 42 papers submitted, 36 were paneled, 2 were submitted to scholar-to-scholar but rejected
  - c. 1 panel submitted and was not accepted
  - d. Three panels co-sponsored by Interpersonal Communication Division
  - e. Two panels co-sponsored by Mass Communication Division

VII. 2021 Planner's Report (Russell)

- a. Location: Seattle, Washington
- b. Date: November 18-21, 2021
- c. Convention theme: "Renewal and Transformation"

VIII. Elections (Reimer)

- a. Research Chair-Elect (attend planning meeting in 2021; plan 2022 convention; chair 2024-25);
  - i. Nominations: opened and closed – Jacob Fisher (University of Illinois) elected by acclamation.

IX. Division Awards (Grizzard and Carpenter)

- a. Book of the Year:
  - i. *Duped: Truth-default Theory and the Social Science of Lying and Deception*
- b. Research Articles of the Year:
  - i. Palomares, N. A., & Wingate, V. S. (2020). Victims' Goal Understanding, Uncertainty Reduction, and Perceptions in Cyberbullying: Theoretical Evidence from Three Experiments. *Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication*, 25(4), 253-273.
- c. Top Paper Awards
  - i. "Challenge Accepted! The Role of Content Challenge and Self-Control in Spoiler Selection and Anticipated Enjoyment" Ezgi Ulusoy (Michigan State University), Sara Grady (Michigan State University), Kevin Kryston (Michigan State University), Judith Rosenbaum, Benjamin Johnson (University of Florida), and Allison Eden (Michigan State University).
  - ii. "Does repeated exposure to threatening news stories fan the flames or desensitize audiences? Testing competing hypotheses in the context of climate change communication" Jessica Gall Myrick (Pennsylvania State University) and Christofer Skurka (Pennsylvania State University).
  - iii. "How shared brain activity varied over the course of a narrative in regions associated with social cognition and story comprehension" Ralf Schmaelzle (Michigan State University), Sara Grady (Michigan State University), Joshua Baldwin (Michigan State University), Henry Goble (Michigan State

University), Neha Sethi (Michigan State University), Junyi Han (Michigan State University).

iv. “Standing out while fitting in: Examining linguistic choices by innovators” Xun Zhu (University of North Dakota) and Rachel Smith (Pennsylvania State University).

X. New Business (Open)

- a. The creation of a new division award addressing prejudice and stereotyping (proposed by Dave Keating) and revision of current award policies
  - i. Division-award subcommittee will work on details (Members: Torsten Reimer (chair), Edward Fink, and Dave Keating)
- b. A virtual division happy hour (proposed by Tim Levine)
- c. Need to get more submissions to the division (proposed by Matthew Grizzard)

XI. Passing the Gavel (Banas to Reimer)

XII. Adjournment