

SECOL 80 Business Meeting Minutes
Spartanburg, SC
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I. Welcome

President-elect Allison Burkette welcomed the members who came to the business meeting and thanked David Marlow and Michael Montgomery for their hard work.

II. Executive Board Business

A. The Nominating Committee made these recommendations:

Jennifer Cramer for VP

Mary Zeigler for Member at Large

Becky Childs for the Nominating Committee

Allison will take e-mails from members until June, when these recommended people will be instated.

B. Conference Report

David Marlow reported that about 125 people came to the conference, about half of which are students. Allison asked members to remind colleagues and encourage students to join SECOL.

C. Journal Report

Allison asked members to consider the journal for their manuscripts. Thematic issues are welcome and may be used as course materials.

D. Web Site

Suggestions for the publicly hosted web site are:

- Teaching materials and uploaded PowerPoints of presentations or classes
- A login so that member information, such as e-mail addresses and research interests, can be shared
- Links to resource sites for Southern American English or other subareas, linguists in the SECOL region, data collection sites, LinguistList, LSA.
- Language policies and legislation in the region
- A graduate student section
- Calls for papers, abstracts for conferences
- Maps

E. Listserv

Allison will see about creating a listserv for faster communication. Christine Mallinson will put together a Facebook page for the SECOL group by April 9.

F. Treasurer's Report

The current balance in SECOL is \$13,800. We need to pay \$2,000 to LAVIS for the

upcoming publication of their volume, \$1,600 to the journal for publishing and mailing the spring issue, which leaves the balance at about \$8,000 before conference expenses have been reckoned. A generous donation has paid for student memberships. Students will receive a PDF copy of the *Southern Journal of Linguistics* with their memberships. Ben Torbert said that we need more dues-paying members in order not to lose about \$500 per journal issue.

III. New Business

A. Venues for Upcoming Meetings

1. A coastal Carolina venue is considered for 2014. If that is not workable, then maybe Louisiana Lafayette? Memphis?
2. SECOL 2015 will be at NC State concurrently with LAVIS 4.
3. SECOL 2016 may be held at Missouri, but first we must add Missouri to the SECOL territory. This can be accomplished according to the constitution: (insert constitutional language here).

B. Awards

1. The Bernstein Award for a politically themed paper: Sasha Johnson Coleman will collect the papers from nominees to put forth to the Executive Board for a consensus on a winner.
2. The Reza Ordoubadian Award: student papers are submitted to Sasha in January for Executive Board consideration. Winners receive \$100 in cash and a chance to publish in the *Southern Journal of Linguistics*.

C. Survey

Allison will create a survey as a follow-up from the conference asking for feedback from the attendees.