



# South Eastern Conference On Linguistics

**SECOL 90:  
hosted at Oxford, Mississippi  
by University of Mississippi  
(Felice Coles, local Chair)**

## **General Business Meeting**

**Friday, March 10, 2023; 3:30-4:30 CDT  
Presiding: Tamara Lindner, President**

### **AGENDA**

**I. Welcome and Introductions: Tamara Lindner, President**

**II. Committee Reports:**

**A. Treasurer (Paul Reed)**

- (1) Finances are in good shape: \$12,915.50 in total across our PayPal (\$4,107.19) and Regions (\$8,808.31) accounts.
- (2) The process of SECOL incorporation in Florida is in progress.
- (3) The SECOL website has been updated with recent news and announcements. To improve user-friendliness and to update the website appearance, a change from WordPress to Squarespace will be evaluated.
- (4) Starting from 2023, the Reza Ordoubadian Award for the best student paper is \$200. Student presenters at the 90<sup>th</sup> SECOL meeting (single authors, first authors of collaborative papers) are encouraged to apply.

**B. Secretary (Irina Shport)**

- (1) SECOL archives and the website have been maintained and updated. Partial archive digitization and a host site will be evaluated along with the consideration of a possible transition from WordPress to Squarespace. Minutes of the General Business Meeting 2023 will be posted at <https://secol.org/conferences/>.
- (2) Signatures to support three motions for the SECOL Constitution amendments have been collected. The amendments will be enacted immediately upon their approval by the membership at the General Business Meeting 2023.

### **C. Vice-President (Felice Coles)**

- (1) SECOL 90 has been successfully coordinated in conjunction with the 2023 Inaugural SEC Spanish Consortium (SECSC) Conference.
- (2) Student papers (self-) nominations are solicited for the Reza Ordoubadian Award (\$200). Pick up an Award flyer at the registration desk or check out our latest news at <https://secol.org/latest-news/>. Suggest a student paper that you were impressed with for this award. Address nomination or questions to Felice Coles at [fcoles@olemiss.edu](mailto:fcoles@olemiss.edu).

### **D. Southern Journal of Linguistics' Editor (Justin White)**

- (1) The journal has been published up through the Spring 2022 issue. The Fall 2022 issue was not issued due to lack of submissions.
- (2) Journal information, submission procedure, and publication updates have been updated on the SECOL website, <https://secol.org/journal/>. Pick up the flyer at the registration desk or check out the website.
- (3) Submissions for the Fall 2023 are being solicited, including for the special issue in honor of Michael Montgomery.

### **III. Elections: Irina Shport (Secretary) presented a slate proposed by the SECOL Nominating Committee (Abby Walker, Chair) for voting and confirmation**

- (1) According to the SECOL Constitution, the Executive Committee appoints the Secretary and the Treasurer; all other members of the slate are approved by the membership at the General Business Meeting.
- (2) To replace Felice Coles as Vice-President, Tamara Warhol (University of Mississippi) has been nominated and agreed to serve for the 2023-2025 term. Upon completion of this term, Warhol will serve as President (2025-2027) and as Past President (2027-2029) of the SECOL Executive Committee.
- (3) To replace Rafael Orozco as an Executive Committee Member-at-Large, Becky Roeder (University of North Carolina at Charlotte) has been nominated and agreed to serve for the 2023-2026 term.
- (4) To replace Abby Walker on the Nominating Committee, Joy Peltier (University of South Carolina) has been nominated and agreed to serve for the 2023-2026 term.
- (5) Rafael Orozco has volunteered to join the Nominating Committee as its fourth member for the 2023-2026 term.
- (6) The Executive Committee is soliciting (self-) nominations for the position of Social Media Co-Chair (with Paul Reed as the second Co-Chair). Graduate student and Assistant Professor candidates are especially welcome to join the Committee in this role. (Self-) nominations should be submitted to Irina Shport at [ishport@lsu.edu](mailto:ishport@lsu.edu).

[Note that other officers and committee members will continue in their current roles.]

The slate was voted for and unanimously approved by those present at the General Business Meeting. Subsequently, Shport has updated the slate at <https://secol.org/officers-committees/>. The slate will be declared elected if there are no additional nominations or objections submitted to the Secretary by July 1, 2023.

**IV. General Membership Vote on Constitution Amendments: (Irina Shport, Secretary)**

Three motions were introduced at the General Business Meeting as a package, seconded, and unanimously carried by those present. Subsequently, Shport has updated the SECOL Constitution at <http://secol.org/history/constitution/> as specified in the full text of the Amendment Proposal accessible at <http://secol.org/conferences/>, SECOL XC (90). The amendments will be enacted if there are no objections submitted to the Secretary by July 1, 2023.

**V. Future SECOL meetings**

2024 - University of Georgia (hosted by Bill Kretzschmar in conjunction with LAVIS V)

2025 - Florida Atlantic University (hosted by Justin White)

2026 - University of Alabama (hosted by Alicia Cipria)

**VI. A Resolution Thanking the Organizers of SECOL 90 at the University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi was read by President at the current meeting:**

Whereas SECOL XC, which was held at the University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi, from March 9 to March 11 of 2023, was conducted face-to-face after two previous years of virtual conferencing due to the COVID-19 pandemics,

Whereas the program was created by Felice Coles and her team of Ph.D. students, and underwritten by the Department of Modern Languages and the College of Liberal Arts;

Whereas Dr. Sali Tagliamonte, of the University of Toronto, graciously agreed to be the keynote speaker for SECOL 90;

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee of the Southeastern Conference on Linguistics extend thanks and sincere appreciation to local host and organizer Felice Coles (University of Mississippi) and to the following persons at the University of Mississippi: the Department of Modern Languages under the direction of Dr. Dan O'Sullivan, with the faculty and graduate students, the College of Liberal Arts under the direction of Dean Lee Cohen and Associate Dean Donald Dyer, Outreach coordinators Mary Leach and Callie Everett, the Inn at Ole Miss, and Alpha Lambda Delta.

**VII. Open Forum (no further discussion ensued)**

**VIII. Adjournment: Tamara Lindner, President**