

Minutes of the 1992 SCA Organizational Communication Business Meeting
Patrice Buzzanell (Secretary)

1. Call to Order. Patricia Geist began the business meeting at 2:40 p.m. and distributed the minutes from the 1991 meeting.
Correction noted - Eileen Berlin Ray has not been employed at the University of Kentucky for six years! She can be located at Cleveland State University.
Approval of Minutes. Minutes were accepted and seconded.
2. A sheet requesting mailing and e-mail addresses for the 1992 business meeting attendees was passed around.
Patricia Geist mentioned that, at the 1991 Business Meeting, some attendees indicated that they did not receive Division mailings. Attendees were asked to review computer lists of Division membership and note corrections and additions. These lists did not include recent registrations/memberships.
3. Agenda was altered to conduct some "new business" before hearing officer reports. Roy Berko, the SCA Director of Educational Services, announced that he has been in his position for four weeks and has worked on exchange programs with other organizations. Specifically, he described the exchange with ASTD in which SCA will exchange panel slots at our convention for slots at theirs. His second announcement concerned his new responsibilities which can be divided roughly into 75% in education and 25% in research. Berko asked Division members to contact him if there is anything his office can do to assist Division members.
4. Report of Secretary. Patrice Buzzanell distributed the newsletter and asked that news be received by May 1993 for the Summer-Fall 1993 Newsletter.
5. Report of the Vice-Chairperson, Robert McPhee. Bob reported on the acceptance rates of competitive papers and panels for this convention and referred to the figures in the Newsletter. Six paper readers did "yeoman work" as each paper was ranked and rated by three of the following readers:
 - Connie Bullis, University of Utah
 - Steven Corman, Arizona State University
 - Dayna Finet, University of Texas
 - Vernon Miller, Michigan State University
 - Anne Nicotera, University of Oklahoma
 - Eileen Berlin Ray, Cleveland State University

Three of the readers also rated the top five papers. The reliability of the paper ratings was .32 for all papers and -.3 for the Top Papers. Bob suggested that this finding concerning the Top Papers indicated that the papers were "multidimensional."

Bob then presented certificates to the Top Three papers:
Michael Kramer, University of Missouri, Columbia
Job transfers: Leaving and joining

Stan Deetz distributed ballots and the Awards Committee Chairperson was elected:
Linda Putnam, Purdue University

Readers for 1993 Competitive Paper and Panel submissions are:
Betsy Bach, University of Montana
Robin Clair, Purdue University
Kathy Krone, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Steve May, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Kevin Barge, Baylor University
Steve Corman, Arizona State University

Vice Chairperson-Elect:
Dennis Mumby, Purdue University

- 8 Report on the Legislative Council Meetings.
Patricia Geist reported. A resolution was passed to create convention program exchanges with allied organizations. These exchanges would be negotiated on a case-by-case basis. These exchanges would allow members of allied organizations to participate at our conventions and vice versa.

The Committee on Committees elected:
Tom McCain, Ohio State University
James Applegate, University of Kentucky
Carol Simpson Stern, Northwestern University

Resolution was passed that revises SCA financial policies. The Finance Board is establishing a monetary unit for each Division and Interest Group commensurate with the size of the group. The funds will be distributed proportionately and automatically according to division size and status. The Organizational Communication Division has 1100 members which makes it the second largest Division in SCA. The guess-estimate for the Division budget was \$1,000. If the Division needs more money, Bob McPhee would submit a request. These funds cannot be used for travel or publications.

Several ways to utilize funds were discussed. First, although we could not use the funds for publication, we could print copies for SCA Organizational Communication Division Abstracts (similar to what the ICA Organizational Communication Division already does) and charge a fee for these abstracts. SCA would handle the photocopying and labor costs and we could reimburse the office.

Second, other ideas were generated but not discussed, such as using fees to pay for: a pre-convention night for officers who could use the time to plan for the Division; a reception after the Organizational Communication Division business meeting; a guest speaker series; and a special convention panel.

9. Report on The Division By-Laws.
Patricia Geist reported. The first issue was whether Division members would want to

Committee members agreed to the assignment and will report at next year's business meeting.

If panels are going to be co-sponsored, Bruce Gronbeck, Senior Vice President, wants a justification for the co-sponsorship.

The division voted against the suggestion that all Organizational Communication Division panels be run on Thursday and Friday.

- 11 Patricia Geist introduced the new Division Chairperson, Robert McPhee, who thanked Patricia for her work on behalf of the Division. Bob concluded the business meeting at 3:45 p.m.