

Organizational Communication Division
1997 Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 21, 1997
Chicago Hilton
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Division Officers:

Chairperson	George Cheney, University of Montana
Vice Chairperson	Kathy Krone, University of Nebraska
Vice Chairperson-Elect	Cynthia Stohl, Purdue University
Secretary/Newsletter Editor	Vernon Miller, Michigan State University
Awards Committee Chair	Steve Corman, Arizona State University

I. Meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by George Cheney, Chair. Eighty-seven members were in attendance.

II. Announcements from Bill Eadie of the NCA National Office

A. Raymie McKerrow was elected Second Vice-President

B. Journal editors will be Andrew King (Quarterly Journal of Speech), Michael Beatty (Communication Monographs), Jim Chesebro (Critical Studies in Mass Communication), and Lawrence Hugenberg (Communication Education).

C. Next convention will be in New York City, followed by Seattle, and then New Orleans or Miami Beach.

III. Minutes of the 1996 Business Meeting were approved.

IV. Presentation of the 1997 Research Awards

A. Steve Corman, Chair of the Awards Committee, thanked the members of the Awards Nominating Committee (Michael Holmes, University of Utah; Marifran Mattson, Purdue, University; Brian Taylor, University of Colorado-Boulder; Angela Trethewey, Arizona State University; Tim Kuhn, Arizona State University). Also thanked were members of the Awards Evaluating Committee (Patrice Buzanell, Northern Illinois University; Eric Eisenberg, University of South Florida; Bob McPhee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Cynthia Stohl, Purdue University).

B. The 1997 NCA Organizational Communication Award for Best Article was presented to:

Gail Fairhurst and Robert Sarr for their 1997 book entitled, *The Art of Framing: Managing the Language of Leadership*. San Francisco: Jossey Bass.

- C. The 1997 NCA Organizational Communication Award for Best Book was presented to:

Dean Scheibel for his 1996 article entitled, *Appropriating Bodies: Organ (izing) Ideology & Cultural Practice in Medical School*, *Journal of Applied Communication Research*, 24, 310-331.

- D. The Top Three Conference Paper Awards went to:

Debbie Dougherty, *Dialogue through Standpoint: Understanding Women' s and Men' s Standpoints of Sexual Harrassment*.

Robin Clair, *When Silence Speaks: A Discussion of Self-Contained Opposites*.

Pamela Shockley-Zalabak, Donald Morley, and Ruggero Cesaria, *Organizational Influence Processes: Perceptions of Values, Communication, and Effectiveness*.

- E. The Top Student Paper went to:

Debbie Dougherty, University of Nebraska, *ADialogue through Standpoint: Understanding Women' s and Men' s Standpoints of Sexual Harrassment*.

- F. Cheney extended his thanks to paper submitters and to the following paper readers:

Brenda Allen, Jean Dobos, Beth Ellis, Brad Hall, Renee Houston, Bridget Kilroy, Marifran Mattson, Marcy Meyer, Craig Scott, Joe Scudder, Angela Trethewey, Juanie Walker, Diane Witmer.

V. Report from the Division Secretary

Vernon Miller reported that the division' s membership was at approximately 1300 according to the national office. The newsletter was mailed to members in October.

VI. Report on the 1997 Conference Program

- A. Kathy Krone reported that 89 competitive papers and 11 panel proposals were submitted. Of these, 52 competitive papers (58%) and 8 panels (72%) were accepted by the Division.

- B. Steve Corman reported on the use of a web site for pre-convention exchanges about poster session papers. As only one submission was made to the web page, a more systematic method of submission may be necessary.
- C. Kathy Krone reported on feedback from the Poster Session. Recommendation included: Do not use a poster session for increasing the number of participants in a conference; Do not accept papers of low quality work; Use high quality papers to emphasize dialogue between authors and participants; Provide guidelines for standards of display and assignment; Publish a pamphlet in the future promoting the Poster Session.

VII. Report from the Legislative Council

- A. George Cheney reported on plans for a NCA conference in Rome, Italy, for Summer, 1998 in a joint project between NCA and ICA and their organizational communication and technology divisions. The theme of "Organizing for the Future" was presented.
- B. Scott Poole announced the approval of a new NCA division, Small Groups Division.

VIII. Report from the Nominating Committee

- A. Scott Poole thanked committee members Eileen Berlin Ray and Dennis Mumby and announced the nomination slate:

Vice Chair-Elect: Pamela Shockley-Zalabak and Ted Zorn
 Secretary: Patricia Sias and Michael Kramer

- B. Thirteen paper readers were nominated and approved: Michelle Violanti, Jaesub Lee, Michelle Jackson, Francois Cooren, Caryn Medved, Jensen Chung, Rachel Pokora, Kerry Strayer, Anne Nicotera, Marifran Mattson, Ken Levine, Deana Witmer, Diane Grimes.
- C. Election results: Pamela Shockley-Zalabak was named Vice Chair-Elect and Patricia Sias was named Secretary.

IX. Report on the Division' s Budget

- A. George Cheney reported the following projected and actual expenses for FY 1997-1998:

	Projected	Actual
Abstracts:	\$300.00	\$300.00

Awards:	\$50-75.00	\$125.00	
Convention Planning:	\$300.00	\$300.00	(incurred FY 96-97)
Miscellaneous Expenses:	-----	\$75.50	(incurred FY & FY
96-96 97-98)			
Newsletter	\$400.00	\$486.89	
Pre-Conference Speaker:	\$250.00		
Total:	\$1,325-\$1,375	\$1,286.59	the
(expenditures at 1997 convention)			

X. Old Business

No one spoke to the Proposal for Research of Lasting Significance that was proposed at the 1996 Convention and referred to the Awards Committee.

XI. New Business

Cynthia Stohl announced the theme of the 1998 NCA Conference in New York as "The Dawning of a New Century: Lessons Learned, New Visions . "

XII. Turning Over of Chair

Chair Scott Poole turned the "gavel" over to incoming Chairperson, Kathy Krone.

XIII. The Meeting Adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Sias
Division Secretary