

**Eastern Communication Association
Nonverbal Communication Interest Group
Pittsburgh, PA
Business Meeting Minutes
Friday April 26, 2013 5:00pm-6:00pm**

Chair: Jessalyn Vallade
Vice Chair: CJ Claus
Secretary: Steve Granelli

I. Call To Order

- A. Meeting called to order by Chair Jessalyn Vallade 5:02pm
- B. Jessalyn defers to Danette Ifert Johnson – Thanks for coming, asks for all to attend the general business meeting, cash raffle, announces reception to celebrate Nancy Willets, thanks to Jessalyn for planning.

II. Approval of 2012 Minutes

- A. Moved to approve by Kristen Eichhorn, hold for correction to misspelled name, Nicholas Smith. Eichhorn moves to approve with changes, Zac Johnson seconded.

III. Acknowledgements

- A. Report of 2013 panels, top 4 papers recognized, with a hug.
- B. Thanks to volunteers who read and reviewed, chaired and responded.
 1. Readers – Steve Granelli, Zac Johnson, Jennifer Knapp, Stephanie Shimotsu
 2. Chairs – Zac Johnson, Steve Granelli
 3. Respondents – Jennifer Knapp, Dave Westerman

IV. Old Business

- A. Paper Submissions - submissions low this year, if anyone has ideas on how to stimulate involvement. make sure you're thinking about NV
- B. Executive Council Report – Kristen Eichhorn
 1. Nancy Willets charge to get more people in leadership positions, take on leadership roles. Sean Horan is ECA Rep to NCA nominating committee, if interested in taking on a leadership role, who will be going,
 2. Nick Bowman's students presented strategies to increase ECA's social media presence, Nick will serve as webmaster for that page for the upcoming year
 3. Refer to page 145 for Providence CFP, hotel rates, and theme to facilitate brainstorming.
- C. Jessalyn asks if anyone interested in taking on that role, no response

V. New Business

- A. Introduction of New Interest Group Chair – CJ Claus.
 1. Jessalyn thanks the interest group and passes torch to CJ Claus
- B. Preview of 2014 Conference
 1. Building off of theme for 2013, how dissent is not always bad, and we can try and look at how we nonverbally display our dissent, what surrounds prosocial and antisocial forms of dissent.
 2. If members have anything to share then contact CJ, Steve, and Jessalyn.in an effort to increase submission rates to secure additional programming slots.
- C. Elections
 1. Eichhorn tries to clear up confusion about her term as NV rep to Executive Council, she will continue in that role
 2. Nominations for vice chair: Zac Johnson. No further nominations. Eichhorn moves to close nominations, Vallade seconded.
 3. Congratulations to Zac Johnson, elected Vice Chair.
- D. Discussion of 2014 Conference/Theme
 1. Scott Myers asks to brainstorm on how to move forward and increase vitality of NV
 2. Eichhorn - explore what universities offer upper division NV
 3. Myers - how to teach different types of NV
 4. Zac Goldman - teaching undergrad and graduate level NV

5. Sara Labelle - Beyond nonverbal immediacy in an instructional setting

E. Announcements

1. Eichhorn - make sure you're checking NV when registering

2. Claus - remind panel attendees to attend NV business meeting

3. Eichhorn - send some targeted emails

4. Myers - take some initiative and do it, contact CJ

5. Vallade - Emails can be sent to the entire IG through Kathie at CRTNET, or soon through Nick on Facebook

VI. Adjournment

A. Eichhorn moves to adjourn, Johnson seconds. 5:49pm

S.Granelli.