

*Meeting Minutes of the Philosophy of Communication Interest Group
of the Eastern Communication Association
2022 Annual Convention in Philadelphia, PA
March 30 – April 1, 2023
Meeting Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 2:30PM*

In attendance:

Sarah DeIuliis, Duquesne University
Kati Sudnick, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Tiffany Petricini, University of Pittsburgh, Shenango
Austin Hestdalen, Purdue University-Northwest
Ozum Sayrak, Duquesne University
Joel Ward, Geneva College (REVIEWER)
Janie Harden Fritz, Duquesne University
Matthew Mancino, University of Illinois, South Bend
Natalia Wohar, Duquesne University
Sofia , Ohio University

1. Tiffany Petricini called the meeting to order at 2:34PM.
2. Tiffany called for approval of the meeting minutes.
 - a. Kati moved
 - b. And Austin seconded.
 - c. Meeting minutes approved.
3. Per the minutes, there is no old business
4. Tiffany Petricini gave the planner report
 - a. 8 paper submissions, 7 were accepted
 - b. 2 panel submissions
 - c. Reviewers are thanked by Tiffany Petricini
 - d. Top Papers:
 - i. “Move Fast and Break Things’: Innovating to Repair Fault Lines in the Metaverse’s Narrative Ground” Preston Carmack, Duquesne University
 - ii. “Phenomenology of the Turing Test: A Levinasian Perspective” Matthew S. Lindia, Duquesne University
 - iii. “When Cicero Matured: Rhetoric and Moral Philosophy” Cem Zeytinoglu, East Stroudsburg University
5. Kati Sudnick (EC Report)
 - a. Came in under budget
 - b. 2023, Cambridge, MA – Jeanne Pursuit is running it
 - c. Next year, all submissions are due September 18. ECA is going to be earlier next year. It will be March 20 – 24, 2023.
 - d. Social Media Director is done this year for ECA.
 - e. 2026 Convention will be in Pittsburgh. We do not have a hotel contract for it.
 - f. Hybrid conference and/or hybrid NCA meeting. Seems to be moving toward hybrid NCA meeting.
 - g. Membership for the interest group: As of July 2022, 49 members. July 2021, 56 members.
 - i. Technology in the rooms?
 - ii. They spent \$17,000 on AV for the conference

- iii. Option to attend the meeting at NCA may assist.
 - iv. ECII talking about shortening the conference on Sunday.
 - 6. New Business (Tiffany Petricini)
 - a. Hybridization – wants to ask about the possibility about hybridizing this meeting next year
 - i. Last year:
 - 1. 9 online
 - 2. Austin: 4 -5 people online
 - ii. Someone could potentially have it on Zoom through the interest group rather than go through leadership.
 - iii. Kati: At EC, you can move to a Qualtrix Survey. It's just about the business meeting.
 - iv. Move to a vote (Tiffany)
 - 1. Motion: For the 2024 Convention, we introduce a hybrid option for the ECA phil comm business meeting.
 - 2. Unanimous in favor, motion passes
 - a. Joel: Maybe we shouldn't do that. We have to choose different conferences.
 - b. Tiffany: We're privileging people who can make it over those that can't.
 - c. Joel: It's always been the case for the people who came.
 - b. Creation of difficulty for expectations for each role as we move forward in terms of a group detailing the expectations for each role.
 - i. Tiffany wants to recommend a new element of the chair's position, which is a running list of who has been chair, secretary, etc. This will at least help us reduce some sort of fragmentation.
 - ii. Having this document is important because we need to move away from oral frames. The social memory is not there.
 - 1. Ozum: Written Record Would be Helpful
 - iii. Bylaws were last updated in 2006. Do we want to update the bylaws and, specifically, include the chair's role is to update the document to keep it current?
 - iv. Kati: Would it be a secretary role to keep it current?
 - c. For the bylaws:
 - i. Kati: It's a public document, so it would be helpful to make it public so that we can have a memory.
 - ii. Motion: Add language to the bylaws to the secretary role for the secretary for keeping roles and responsibilities current each year.
 - 1. Janie moved the motion
 - 2. Kati seconded the motion
 - 3. Unanimous in favor
 - 7. Elections (Tiffany Petricini)
 - a. Executive Council Representative
 - i. Starts Sunday 2023 and ends Thursday 2025
 - ii. Sarah to update document to reflect this
 - iii. Austin Hestadalen (Self-Nominated)
 - 1. Sarah moves to close the vote
 - 2. Janie seconds

3. Motion passes
- b. Vice Chair (2025 Planner)
 - i. Janie nominates Joel, Ozum seconds
 - ii. Closes nominations
 - iii. Joel Ward is the planner
8. New Business
 - a. Sarah: Summer conference at Duquesne University
 - i. Natalia: June 6 -8 on Zoom. Theme is Communication Ethics on Tenacious Hope. Free and on Zoom.
 - ii. Ozum: Panels celebrating Dr. Arnett's scholarship
 - b. Tiffany: PCA is at Slippery Rock University this year.
9. Austin has moved to close the meeting
 - a. Janie has seconded this motion
 - b. All in favor