Board Motions - History:

M-Moved; S-seconded; P-passed, F-failed.

2008:

2008- EV1: I move that the board approve a discretionary fund of $250.00 per year for the use of the president and $250.00 per year for the use of the executive director of the AAPT.

I further moved that these AAPT related expenditures be reimbursed by the treasurer when the treasurer receives supporting receipts showing that expenditure. The “per year” should be consistent with the AAPT’s term of service for the offices affected, meaning the “year” is the calendar year. (MSP)

2009:

Motions at Board Meeting, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, February 20, 2009

1. That the Board approve the minutes of the Board meeting on 8/6/08. (MSP)
2. That the Board approve the minutes of the Board meeting on 8/7/08 with the correction of the date from 8/8/08 to 8/07/08. (MSP)
3. That Wager contact the Board about the minutes for the Board meeting on 8/8/08 before the Pacific Division meeting and report back and that we conduct business without them. (MSP)
4. That Decyk email each person who joins the AAPT from January 1 to April 30, asking if the person would prefer the AAPT hold the check until May 1 and apply the check to the next year to give the person a full year’s membership (MSP)
5. That the Board thank Robert Timko for his services to the AAPT as its Treasurer. (MSP).
6. That the responsibilities for policies and procedures be written into the Secretary position. (MSP).
7. That the AAPT Board adopt the email voting procedures (past practice) as a Standing Rule of the Board (MSP)
8. That the chairs of the standing committees shall be non-voting members of the Board of Directors. They shall be included in communications to the Board, on the email distribution list and may participated in all discussions and deliberations of the Board. (MSP)
9. That the Board of Directors shall establish the charge of each of the standing committees. The financial limit for a standing committee shall be set by the Board. (MSP)
10. That the chairs of the standing committees shall serve the same terms as the elected members of the Board of Directors (MSP)
11. That the standing committees of the AAPT shall be: the Communications Committee, the Lenssen Prize Committee, the Program Committee, The Speakers and Awards Committee, and the Graduate Student Outreach Committee. (MSP).

12. That Coastal Carolina University be the site of the 2010 AAPT International Workshop Conference. (MSP)

13. That there be a site visit to St. Edward’s University in Austin, TX to determine its viability as the 2012 conference site. (MSP)

agreed that there would be a site visit to Coastal Carolina University (no formal vote).

14. That the Speakers and Awards Committee be charged with whether there should be a teaching awards and if so, with developing the details of it. The Speakers and Awards Committee shall develop a proposal and report it to the Board by October 1, 2009. (MSP)

15. That any change in dues will be coordinated to go into effect with the membership cycle. (MSP)

16. That the Board adjourn. (MSP)

2009 Board e-voting

E-1: That the AAPT pay the travel expenses for the E.D. to do a site visit to Coastal Carolina University. (Passed)

E-2: That the AAPT pay the travel expenses for the Treasurer to do a site visit at Coastal Carolina University. (Passed)

E-3: That Paul Green and Andrew Mills be appointed by the AAPT Board 2009-2010 as Program Co-Chairs (Passed)

E-4 That we accept the following slate as members of the 2009-2010 Speakers and Awards Committee: Joan G. Forry, Andrew Mills, Donna Englemann (Passed)

2010:

Motions at Board Meeting at the Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, February 20, 2010

Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of legal items at the end of the agenda at 7b. (MSP)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors’ meeting February 20, 2009 (MSP)

1. For the 2010 conference the association will provide each graduate seminar leader with a $500 honorarium payable on receipt by the Board of an assessment report of the seminar. (MSP)
2. That the Association waive the registration fee for each of the graduate seminar leaders (MSF)
3. We shall not compensate any program chairs for travel expenses or any expenses for any work that the conference chairs do from the conference 2012 forward. (MSP)
4. In August there shall be created a Teaching Awards Committee composed of: the President or E.D., the Chair of the Speakers or Award Committee or designee, a member-at-large of the Board, an award winner (first year, another member-at-large of the Board), and someone else. The Committee shall elect its own chair. (MSP)
5. that we only adopt the Teaching Fellow model. (MSP)
6. That the dues be established at: One year student, adjunct $25.00; one year regular membership $40.00; two year student, adjunct $40.00; two year regular membership $60.00 for the 2010 membership cycle. (MSP)

2010 Board e-voting:

EV-1: Moved that the Board approve $3,000 for the fees to bring in speaker(s) for the upcoming AAPT conference. The money will cover all costs associated with bringing the speaker(s), including honorarium, travel, lodging and food. (Passed)

EV-2 Interested people should be invited to submit to the AAPT Board a one-page, single spaced (no less than 10 pt font) vita/statement regarding their interest, qualifications, and goals to lead well the AAPT Graduate Teaching Seminar by January 28, 2010. Statements should be sent to Emily Esch eesch@csbsju.edu (passed)

EV-3: If the Teaching Fellows award is adopted, the AAPT will provide each award recipient with a $500.00 grant. (passed)

EV-4: Seminar Selection Committee. Moved that in order to avoid a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest, the Board authorize a selection committee of three members, none of whom are applying to be a seminar facilitator, to determine the 2010 teaching seminar facilitators. (passed)

EV-5 Seminar Selection Committee Members. Moved that the Seminar Selection Committee be composed of at least one Board member and at least one person who is knowledgeable* about the Teaching Seminar (this may be one and the same person).

“knowledgeable” - does not mean the person has to have been in the seminar. That could be. Or the person could have been part of AAPT discussion about our goals for the graduate seminar. (Passed)

EV-6: That the Board appoint Donna Engelmann Vice President from the date of appointment until December 31, 2010. (passed)

{Understood that Donna will not continue on to be President. Nils will continue to be President until December 31, 2012. A new Vice-President will be elected in the fall after the conference as usual.}
EV-7: Teaching Fellows application 1. Nominees shall submit one reflective essay of no more than 2000 words addressing these four questions:

i. Describing your particular teaching context, what are your aspirations for your students/learning objectives?

ii. How are your pedagogies (your structuring of both students in- and out-of class time), course content, assessment, and learning objectives aligned?

iii. Citing evidence, what is the most significant student learning or lasting impact on students inspired by your teaching?

iv. How and why might you change your classes in the future?

In answering these questions, please be explicit about the sources of the information (e.g. scholarship of teaching and learning, classroom practice, student feedback, etc.) that have influenced your pedagogical choices. (passed)

EV-8: Teaching Fellows letters. Completed Teaching Fellows applications shall included at least four and no more than six letters of support. At least one letter must be from a former or current student. At least one letter must be from a philosophy colleague familiar with the applicant’s classroom practice. (passed)

EV-9: to replace #12 of the email voting with the following: A motion passes when a majority of the votes cast are in favor of the motion. A majority is in favor when the total number of “yea” votes is greater than the total of the “nay” and explicit “abstain” votes. Silence or a failure to vote within the specified time frame is not an abstention. (failed)

EV10: Certifying the Membership Date as July 15: To certify the membership of the AAPT as July 15, 2010 [for purposes of voting at the general membership meeting at the conference]. (passed)

EV11: Moved that we include the following wording in the Teaching Fellows nomination solicitation:

(3) While voluminous detail of minor matters will not be view favorably, additional supporting material may also be provided. Examples of such materials are:

Brief course portfolio
Teaching journal
Evidence of student learning, with an accompanying explanation
Student satisfaction ratings (aka course evaluations), with an accompanying Explanation
Samples of student work
Video of class session(s)
Course materials, particularly assignment guidelines and assessment rubrics

(passed).

EV12 (e-mail vote was never completed.) The general vision: The goal of service awards is to recognize exceptional service to the AAPT and to the
discipline. These awards should be nomination driven—that is, we want to ask qualified nominees to do the least amount possible to receive the award.

The Service to AAPT Award: This award is based on the nominees work to promote and further AAPT in achieving its mission. We suggest that nominations include a thorough description of the work the nominee has done for the AAPT, and that the nominator solicits at least 3 letters of support, at least 1 of which should be from a member of the Board or a standing committee. The criteria for this award:

The nominee has made significant and deep contributions to the AAPT to further its mission. Evidence might include (but is not limited to): e.g., service on committees, chairing of committees, serving on the Board.

The Service to the Discipline Award: This award is based on the nominees work to promote teaching and learning in philosophy outside of her own class. We suggest that nominations include a thorough description of the work the nominee has done to further teaching and learning in philosophy, and that the nominator solicit at least 3 letters of support. These letters could come from editors of journals, members of other organizations that foster teaching and learning of philosophy, faculty outside one’s home institution. They may come from others, too. The criteria for this award:

The nominee has made significant and deep contributions to teaching and learning in philosophy. Evidence might include (but is not limited to): writing of scholarly articles and books, organizing of student conferences, advising of student journals, overseeing student awards.

Proposed Committee Selection for AAPT Service Awards: The AAPT Service Awards Selection Panel will consist of the same persons who are serving on the Teaching Fellows Award committee except if the Teaching Fellows committee includes former teaching fellows. In that case, the committee will repopulate the committee with additional members from the Board, as needed, and as determined by the committee.

Timeline for the AAPT Service Awards: The initial nomination can be made by others within the AAPT or AAPT members can self-nominate. Calls for nominations will be made widely public by the Chair of the Speakers and Awards committee by the end of October, the year before the AAPT meeting, including on the AAPT web-site. Nominations are due to the AAPT Service Awards Selection Panel by January 1 the year of the AAPT meeting. Nominees will be notified of their nomination, and have until March 1 of the same year to submit supporting letters to the Chair of Speakers and Awards committee, who acts as convening chair of the Service Award Selection Panel, in hard copy. Award winners will be notified at the AAPT meeting, or, if they are not in attendance, will be asked to come to an APA meeting to receive public recognition of the award. (Schulman, e-
mail vote was never completed. Discussion at AAPT conference and went back to committee.)

EV13 The board will populate the committee by Feb. 1 of odd numbered years. The committee will elect its own chair. The committee will send an initial call for nominations by Oct. 1 of odd numbered years... [Stuff that we have already approved regarding initial nominations etc. Jan. 1 - Feb 15 even years is in here.] ... The committee will notify nominees of the committee decision by April 15 of even numbered years. (passed.)

Motions at the Board Meeting, Coastal Carolina University, July 29, 2011

1. Approval of the agenda with additions of
   i. Service awards
   ii. Discussion of goals for the organization
   (MSP)
2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes - February 20, 2010. (MSP) To extend the current E.D.'s term to December 31, 2010. (MSP)
3. That the new E. D.’s term will begin on January 1, 2011 and end September 30, 2015 with the understanding Betsy and Donna work together from now until December 31, 2010. (MSP)
4. That the board interpret “resignation” as the person is no longer on the Board (MSP)
5. That this discussion [of whether the Past President position shall remain vacant for 2011-12] be tabled to future meeting. (MSP)
6. That [the teaching fellows] application require a c.v. no longer than 2 pages, focused on teaching and learning. (MSP)
7. That the Agenda for General Business meeting be approved. (MSP)

Motions at the Board Meeting, Coastal Carolina University July 31, 2010.

1. Approval of the agenda with the following changes:
   i. There are no meeting minutes in front of us to approve
   ii. add a discussion of the business meeting
   (MSP)
2. To open up the voting and discussion Board area to members of AAPT to read and post
3. Substitute Motion -To end discussion and motion. (MSP)
4. A motion passes if and only it receives at least a majority of the filled Board voting positions voting in favor (MSP)
5. That the 2010 seminarians given a one year membership to the AAPT (MSP)
Motions at Board meeting, teleconference, September 30, 2010

1: That Donna Engelmann be authorized to act as representative client on behalf of the board of the American Association of Philosophy Teachers to discuss issues of incorporation and governance with Hannah C. Dugan, 731 N. Jackson Street, Milwaukee, WI. Engelmann is authorized to share association documents and questions with Dugan, and to provide information to Dugan as required to obtain advice about the association’s governance and incorporation issues. (Passed Unanimously)

2: That Hanna C. Dugan will bill the AAPT at $150.00 per hour for her services, including billing for telephone calls at 1/10th hour intervals, and for a legal assistant, if necessary, at $60.00 per hour. Hannah Dugan estimates that the time required to answer the association’s initial questions (see attached) is approximately three hours. She wants us to understand that she is not licensed to practice law in the State of New York where we are incorporated, but she will consult with others who have expertise in New York incorporation law. Should the association decide to engage Hannah C. Dugan to assist in revising its by-laws, this would require additional expenditures and an additional authorization of services.

with the following amendment: The Board authorizes the expenditure of up to $600 for Hannah Dugan’s services and requests that she advise us as she approaches the $600.00 limit to give us an estimate of any additional hours served and cost incurred that she thinks will be needed in order for her to complete the task. (Past Unanimously)