

AAPT Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 2013

I. Opening

A. Call to order: 5:02 ET

B. Roll call – Davis Concepcion, Andy Carpenter, Emily Esch, Rory Kraft, Kevin Hermberg, Bill Anelli, Mimi Marinucci, Scott McElreath, Jennifer Wilson Mulnix

Absent: Nils Rauhut, Andrew Mills

C. Approval of Minutes of November 16, 2012 – moved by Emily, second Rory.  
Approved.

D. Approval of Agenda – approved by consensus

II. Committee Reports

A. Executive Director (Esch) –

In the future other committees will give reports. Committees have been constituted. Members should have been contacted, or will be contacted soon, but committee chairs.

Emily to meet with PLATO at APA-Central. Old board passes statement that we will agree to work with them. Looking for someone to be liaison between AAPT and PLATO. 4pm on Thursday. Contact Emily if want to participate.

Andrew Mills going to St. Benedict/St. John for site visit in advance of 2014 conference in light of McDaniel not being an option.

Working on codifying operations/duties of committees and board. If have questions, contact Emily.

B. David belatedly welcomes everyone to the board. We all celebrated.

Mimi not able to get to Central. Interested in conference calling in.

Emily: Given that about half will be at Central, intent is to have agenda at Central be looking at plans for future rather than substantive changes.

III. Unfinished Business

A. Standing Rules of Order (Hermberg, Kraft)

Kevin introduced, gave some background on how we got to this document. Some discussion about past practices.

Adopted by consensus.

#### IV. New Business

##### A. Proposal to combine Teaching Fellows Committee and Speaker and Awards Committee (Esch)

There is a long history of why they were separate committees, but it appears that it might work better to have them combined. So Emily makes a proposal to transition work of Teaching Fellows Committee to S&A Committee.

Related to this, perhaps the S&A Committee could revise timeline for selection so that fellows are selected in odd year.

Jennifer asked if we can know what each committee does. Emily working on getting these together.

The thought is that by spreading the work by changing years of fellows it makes it such that not all work is done in six months prior to the new conference. A concern is that right now the outgoing fellows ought to be presenting at conference. Changing to alternate years might complicate this.

Proposal to combine TFC and S&AC made. Clarified that change of timeline is not being considered right now, just if we have two committees.

Kevin raised concerns about wanting to have the committee population make-up in place before we went forward. (Not actual members, but how does the committee come together/who are its members?) The question is motivated in part by a past problem of having “committees of one.” Perhaps having additional at-large members on board (which already has happened) fixes this past problems of single-populated committees.

A question of clarification was raised re: the why of this proposal again. Clarified that the duties will be clear for revised S&AC, that will provide work for standing committees to do – both existing committees are “sort of light” on duties right now, and that Teaching Fellows is a type of award.

Kevin clarified that it is not the timeline that is of concern. Question is if it is to be written in what the makeup of committee is. He acknowledges that not all details need to be figured out at this point since the makeup of all the committees are being worked on right now. With the exception of Finance and Lenssen Prize the rest of committees right now are “freer” in terms of who is allowed to serve on each.

As populations of committees is being looked at right now globally, perhaps the concerns of Kevin are to be addressed soon. Proposal to bring up the committee population issues at Central meeting (David)

Returning to proposal to bring duties of TF to S&AC. Approved by consensus.

## V. Announcements

We will be meeting at the Central from 3-5 on Friday, room tba. The workshops are Thursday evening.

Still no word on room. If not known before the meeting, will post on the board. Emily to collect email for a phone chain for updates.

For Central Agenda:

- how to populate committees
- Draft of job descriptions of committees to be reviewed
- discussion of T&L seminars, various shapes/sizes/configurations, expanding, etc.
- revisiting Paul's project from the summer conference
- PLATO followup?
- Possible consideration of timeline for S&A
- Potential outreach efforts for "founding fathers" to occur at next conference.

V. Adjournment at 5:49 ET.

**These minutes approved by the Board February 22, 2013.**