

ASHR Business Meeting
Baltimore Convention Center 347
NCA, Saturday November 16, 9:30 – 10:45 am

- ASHR President Scott Stroud called the meeting to order at 9:32 am
- Minutes from 2018 were approved
- Introduction of the Steering Committee

2017-2019 ASHR Officers:

President: Scott Stroud	(term expires Nov. 2019)
VP/President Elect: Michele Kennerly	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Membership: Allison Prasch	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Treasurer: Bjørn Stillion Southard	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Webmaster: Paul Stob	(term expires Nov. 2022)
Social Media: Jordan Loveridge	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Past President: Kassie Lamp	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Editor: Ned O’Gorman	(term expires 2022)

At-Large Steering Committee Members:

Alessandra Von Burg	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Rob Danish	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Ira Allen	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Brandon Inabinet	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Christa Olson	(term expires Nov. 2019)

Advisory Board:

Susan Jarratt	(term expires Nov. 2019)
Steve Mailloux	(term expires Nov. 2022)
Rich Enos	(term expires Nov. 2022)

- Election of Officers & Steering Committee
 - All officers (besides Stob) and all members of steering committee up for reelection
 - Stroud called for nominations for the floor & distributed ballots for positions
 - Vote taken, ballots tallied during remainder of the meeting
- Membership Report, Allison Prasch
 - ASHR membership decreased from 165 members to 138 members. It is important to note that, despite this decrease, our current member count represents the highest tally in a non-symposium year (e.g., in November 2017, we were at 124 members).
 - New member database launched in March, let us know if you experience issues
 - Rolling out ways to sponsor memberships for grad students, early-career folk

- Social Media Report, Jordan Loveridge
 - In almost two years, ASHR has amassed 1449 followers, tweeted more than 1235 times, and garnered 1645 Facebook likes
 - ASHR Twitter account consistently averages between 17,000 and 25,000 impressions
 - Continuing to produce content including interviews with award winners and various experts in the field

- Journal report, Ned O’Gorman
 - O’Gorman offered a tribute to Art Walzer, outgoing editor of the journal
 - Institutional subscriptions approaching 3,000 worldwide, which was up from 1500 in 2012
 - In 2018, 8000 articles downloaded, a 36% jump over the previous year
 - With consultation (and votes from) the steering committee, O’Gorman introduced the name change of the journal from *Advances in the History of Rhetoric* to *Journal for the History of Rhetoric*, which will take effect with Volume 23 (2020)
 - O’Gorman noted that the success of the journal depends on the quality of submissions
 - Acceptance rate hovers around 20%, but submissions are down
 - Goal is to develop *JHR* as a venue of first placement for authors

- Treasurer Report, Bjørn Stillion Southard
 - ASHR is in a healthy place financially

- ASHR 2020 Symposium Report, Michele Kennerly
 - Plans ongoing for AHSR Symposium in Portland in May 2020
 - Three Keynotes – Martin Camper, Scott Stroud, Caroline Petit

- Update on ASHR Conference at UT Austin, Scott Stroud
 - Successful event, well attended, hope for similar events in the future

- Update on Diversifying the Teaching of the History of Rhetoric Project & Syllabus, Scott Stroud
 - Encouraged people to check out units posted on and invited other contributions

- Webmaster Report, Paul Stob
 - Transition to new membership system went smoothly

- Presentation of the 2019 ASHR Dissertation Award, Kassie Lamp
 - Recipient: Dr. Rudo Mudiwa (PhD, Indiana University), for her project: “The Prostitute as Citizen: Mobile Women, Urban Space, and the Threat of Disorder in Zimbabwe.”

- Presentation of 2019 ASHR Top Student Paper Award, Jordan Loveridge
 - Recipient: Marissa Croft (PhD Candidate, Northwestern University), for her project: “An Object Worthy of the Attention of a Sensible Republican”: Establishing the Characteristics of a Revolutionary Republican Political Style through the Costume Reform Project of the Société Populaire et Républicaine des Arts (1793-1795)”

- Election Results:

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Martin Camper	(term expires Nov. 2021)
Kundai Chirindo	(term expires Nov. 2021)
Jamie Downing	(term expires Nov. 2021)
Christa Olson	(term expires Nov. 2021)
Carly Woods	(term expires Nov. 2021)

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Recorded by: Allison Prasch