

**Interpersonal and Small Group Communication Interest Group  
Business Meeting**

Central States Communication Association

Saturday, April 16, 2016/2:00-3:15 p.m.

Emerald A at the Amway Grand Plaza/Grand Rapids, Michigan

**Officers:** Chair Scott Myers, West Virginia University  
Vice-Chair Chad McBride, Creighton University  
Secretary: Amanda Holman, Creighton University

**I. Call to order (2:02pm)**

- a. Those presented included: Austin Beatlie, Chad Edwards, Chrissy Harris, Sarah Petite, Sylvia Mikucki-Enyart, Sandra Metts, Dawn O. Braithwaite, Jenna McNallie, Skye Cheruichky-Karcher, Patricia Gettings, Donna Pawlowski, Jeff Child, Clare Gross, Lauren Johnsen, Brittne Peck, Tiffany Wang, Kaitlin Phillips, Kristen Carr, Paul Schrodt, Andrew Ledbetter, Emily Rausher, Deborah Teixeira, Marisa Rodriguez, Jesse De Leon, Folu Oduba, Ryan Rasner, Leah Lefabvre.

**II. Visit from Second Vice President & 2017 Program Planner**

- a. Blair Thompson shared the 2017 theme "Create" and how it all started in Dawn O. Braithwaite's Interpersonal class. The theme focuses on the central ideas of the communication discipline and that we create relationships, knowledge, culture and more through communication. Blair Thompson talked about how this theme celebrates what CSCA member can create together through their research, teaching, and service. Blair and the planning committee are excited about the conference and they look forward to seeing you in Minneapolis.

**III. Approval of minutes from 2015 business meeting (Myers)**

- a. Make a motion to approve minutes: *Approved.*

**IV. Introductions of officers and members**

- a. Chair Scott Myers, West Virginia University
- b. Vice-Chair Chad McBride, Creighton University
- c. Secretary: Amanda Holman, Creighton University

**V. Elections of Officers & Paper Readers (Myers)**

- a. Vice Chair
  - i. No names on ballot
  - ii. Nominations from the floor: Tiffany Wang (University of Montevallo).
- b. Secretary
  - i. On ballot: Kaitlin Phillips (University of Nebraska-Lincoln) and Hailey Gillen Hoke (Weber State University)
  - ii. Nominations from the floor: None
- c. Readers
  - i. On ballot: Katy Price (Albion College), Allyn Lauders (Wayne State College), Kris Knutson (University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire), Hailey Gillen Hoke (Weber State University), Patricia Gettings (Purdue University).
  - ii. Nominations from the floor: Sylvia Mikucki-Enyart (University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point), Renee Kaufmann (Indiana University East)
  - iii. Make a motion to take the whole reader slate: *Approved.*

## VI. Officers' Reports

### 1. Chair--Scott A. Myers

- a. Overall 29 submitted and 21 were submitted.
- b. Overall, we had a total of 12 slots: 2 Top paper panels (interpersonal and family), 5 competitive paper panels, 3 competitive panels, one Chair teaching panel (Myers), and one Vice chair teaching panel (McBride).
  - i. 29 papers were submitted and 21 accepted (72% acceptance rate)
  - ii. 4 panels submitted and 3 panels accepted (75% acceptance rate)

### 2. Awards

- a. Top Family Communication Papers
  - i. The Complexity of In-Laws' Privacy Management: Understanding the Interplay between Contextual and Motivational Criteria on Children-in-Law's Privacy Rule  
Sylvia L. Mikucki-Enyart, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
  - ii. The Grandparent and Adult Grandchild: A Combination of Solidarity and Topic Avoidance  
DeAnne Priddis, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh  
Erin Ruppel, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
Nancy Burrell, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
  - iii. Family Communication Patterns and Perceptions of Coparental Communication  
Paul Schrodtt, Texas Christian University  
Jenna R. Shimkowski, Texas Tech University
- b. Top Interpersonal Communication Papers
  - i. Affection Deprivation is Conceptually and Empirically Distinct from Loneliness\*  
Kory Floyd, University of Arizona
  - ii. To Hide or Unfriend?: An Examination of Relational Dissolution through Social Networking Sites  
Natalie Pennington, Kansas State University
  - iii. "Why Don't We See What's on TV?:" Shared TV Viewing, Relational Maintenance Behavior, and Romanticism as Predictors of Romantic Relationship Quality  
Andrew M. Ledbetter, Texas Christian University
- c. Top Student Paper
  - i. Hope and Depression in the Face of Uncertainty: Examining the Role of Emotional Reaction in the Theory of Motivated Information Management  
**Helen M. Lillie**, Purdue University

### 3. Good attendance at the IPSG paper panels this conference.

### 4. Special recognition to paper readers and respondents.

- a. Paper Readers:
  - i. Karla Mason Bergen, College of St. Mary
  - ii. Renee Bourdeaux, North Dakota State University
  - iii. Patricia E. Gettings, Purdue University
  - iv. Amanda Holman, Creighton University
  - v. Renee Kaufmann, Indiana University East
  - vi. Jenna McNallie, West Virginia Wesleyan College
  - vii. Kaitlin E. Phillips, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

- viii. Maria K. Venetis, Purdue University
- b. Respondents:
  - i. Kristen Carr, Texas Christian University
  - ii. Katherine J. Denker, Ball State University
  - iii. Dena Huisman, University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse
  - iv. Hailey Gillen Hoke, Weber State University
  - v. Katheryn C. Maguire, Wayne State University
  - vi. Robert J. Sidelinger, Oakland University
  - vii. Tiffany R. Wang, University of Montevallo

**5. Vice-Chair--M. Chad McBride**

- a. Next years CSCA is a month earlier next year in Minneapolis, so plan for that.
- b. IPSG really appeals to work we do for the theme “create” and believes we can add a lot.
- c. Asks for next years IPSG panels themes or idea.
  - i. Dawn O Braithwaite suggested looking at IPC scholars in the local area that could become apart of a panel.
  - ii. Encourage people to email him any other ideas they may have.
  - iii. Important to find chairs and paper respondents for next conference.

**3. Secretary--Amanda Holman**

- a. If you are not part of the IPSG Facebook group I encourage you to like it so you can get updates throughout the year.
- b. Thanked Chad and Scott for a great year.

**VII. Old Business**

- a. No old business

**VIII. New Business (Myers)**

- b. Votes were tallied and Kaitlin Phillips is IPSG new secretary.
- c. Encouraging people to be paper panel respondents.
  - i. This year is was extremely hard to get respondents so I encourage people to be respondents and when you sign the attendance sheet only mark respondent if you can do it next conference (Scott Myers).
  - ii. Need to encourage small group scholars. IPSG is meant to include interpersonal, family, and small group work, but we have had little small group papers in the past few years. It is important to think about ways we can get small group scholars to submit to IPSG (Scott Myers).
    - 1. Make the small group more salient in the group and even have a panel that focus on that (Andrew Ledbetter).
    - 2. Chad McBride will review on how much small group there was in the past few years and then bring it up at the next business meeting in 2017.
  - iii. Concern for the new *Journal of Interpersonal Communication* that has been proposed as a regional journal (CSCA). Taylor and Francis want to expand Communication Studies and this journal would have two issues a year and then expand to three of four in the following years. The interest group is concerned about this journal and we discuss the pros and cons of the journal.
    - 1. Cons:
      - a. There are no longer incentives for editors and may be difficult to get senior scholar as editor.
      - b. Quality of work and how it reflects the association.
      - c. Sustainability of the journal.

- d. IPSPG is a bit concerned because it's a journal of interpersonal and the interest group knows little about it.
- 2. Pros:
  - a. Already had 4-5 senior scholars who seem interested in being editors.
  - b. Receive royalties.
- 3. The group would like to talk more about this at the next meeting when we have more information about the journal. It is at the executive level right now.
- iv. The importance of growing our interest group. Had people in attendance stand up if they were new to the group.
- v. Chad McBride thanks Scott and Amanda.

**IX. Announcements**

- d. Chad McBride is a candidate on the ballot for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of CSCA.
- e. Dawn O. Braithwaite started CSCA scholar interviews and will continue next year. She encourages all members to go and hopefully Sandra Petronio will be on the panel next year.

**X. Adjournment (3:05)**