

Undergraduate Educators and Administrators Section Meeting—April, 2020 CSCA 2020—Email Responses (due to COVID-19 conference cancelation)

Attendees: Aimee Lau (Chair), Donna Pawlowski, (Vice-Chair), Brendan Young (Secretary), Chris North, Tiffany Wang, and others

I. Call to Order

Aimee Lau (chair) initiated the online meeting by initially emailing the membership on April 8, 2020 with a proposed agenda/schedule for conducting business via email through the end of April.

II. Review of minutes from section meeting in Omaha, NE

Brendan Young's revised minutes from the 2019 meeting in Omaha, Nebraska were distributed to our membership via email attachment on April 8, 2020. Chris North moved to accept the minutes as presented. Tiffany Wang seconded. Aimee provided a link to a Google Forms survey, and invited feedback on the minutes through Friday, April 17. The minutes were accepted as presented.

III. Old Business

A. Innovative Undergraduate Communication Program Award update

Aimee didn't do anything with this because we hadn't made any progress on investigating financial aspects of it. She hopes to do some research prior to the next conference..

IV. New Business

A. Election of Officers

Aimee's initial Google Forms survey invited officer nominations. The nominations were closed on April 24.

1. Chair

Aimee Lau has self-nominated to retain the position of chair through the 2021 conference. No other nominations were received so Aimee retains the office.

2. Vice-Chair

Donna Pawlowski has self-nominated to retain the position of vice-chair through the 2021 conference. No other nominations were received so Donna retains the office.

3. Secretary

Brendan Young has self-nominated to retain the position of secretary through the 2021 conference. No other nominations were received so Brendan retains the office.

B. Conference Statistics

1. Submissions for 2020: 1 paper submission, 6 panel submissions

2. We had 3 slots for panels and 1 slot for our business meeting. Attempts were made to co-sponsor a panel with the Health Communication Interest Group, but they were unable to share a slot with us.
3. All 3 panels accepted were discussion panels. With only one paper submission, we did not have enough papers to support a full panel.
4. Congratulations to our top panel: “From Faculty to Administration: Making a Difference Beyond the Classroom Borders.” The chair of this panel was Donna Pawlowski. The panelists that would have spoken had the conference not been canceled due to COVID-19 were Amy Aldridge Sanford, Dawn Braithwaite, Aaron Burton, Jeffrey Child, Linda Dickmeyer, Matthew Seeger, and Timothy Sellnow.
5. Our updated count for the number of members currently in our section is over 200 members strong. (The exact count is 208, but additions and deletions are expected.) We are very excited that our section has added so many members!

V. Passing of the Gavel (unnecessary, as the officers remain the same)

VI. CSCA 2021: Cincinnati, OH

A. The 2021 conference will be held from March 23 to 28 at the Hilton Netherland Plaza. The theme is “Inspire”

B. Paper and Panel Readers for 2021 Conference

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C. Conference Ideas

Inspiring excellence in online teaching - comparing various quality online education models (OLC, QM, etc.)

Inspirational ways to improve retention

From classroom to program to administration

There were very few conference ideas. It's difficult to try to generate ideas right now, when we have no idea what the landscape is going to look like. The officers plan to come together later in the semester to chat about details and to brainstorm in order to create interest.

VII. Adjournment