

**Basic Course Interest Group Business Meeting Agenda**  
**March 27, 2021**  
**CSCA 2021 – Cincinnati, OH (In spirit)**  
**Salon M / 12:30-1:45 CDT**

**Chair** – Kody Frey (University of Kentucky)

**Vice Chair** – Stevie Munz (Utah Valley University)

**Secretary** – Joy Daggs (Northwest Missouri State University)

Other members in attendance: Cheri Simonds, Joshua Westwick, Kat Goldson, Dena???

**1. Approval of 2020 Minutes**

- a. **Josh Westwick moved approval**
- b. **Cheri Simonds seconded**
- c. **Motion passed**

**2. 2021 Convention Planner's Report**

- a. **Allocated 4 slots; We had 4 submissions. All were selected for presentation. One G. I. F. T. was sent to the G. I. F. T. Interest Group. We had one competitive paper and 3 panels.**
- b. **Josh Westwick mentioned the new formula for determining panel slots. Kody also encouraged more submissions.**

**3. 2022 Convention Planner's Report**

**Convention planners meeting is after this business meeting. Kat Golsan added that she is Secretary for Communication Education. Joy Daggs encouraged cross collaboration with Communication Education for Co-sponsorship.**

**4. Awards**

**a. Douglas M. Trank – Top Paper Award**

- i. eTextbooks in the Basic Course: Effects on student learning
  - 1. Jeff Kuznekoff
  - 2. Stevie Munz

**b. Melissa Beal – Top Panel Award**

- i. Finding inspiration amidst the chaos: Advancing scholarship in the introductory communication course
  - 1. Kelli Chromey
  - 2. Melissa Broeckelman-Post
  - 3. Stevie Munz
  - 4. Cheri Simonds
  - 5. Josh Westwick
  - 6. Angela Hosek
- ii. **Josh & Cheri thanked the Interest Group for their support and participation in the panel. Stevie incorporated her son in the presentation and discussion ensued about the panel.**

**5. Secretary Election**

Kody opened the floor for nominations.

Stevie Munz nominated Caroline Waldbusser from Western Connecticut State University.

Josh moved to close nominations

Stevie seconded.  
Caroline was elected unanimously.

## 6. Update on Award Funding

- a. This was a continuation of a conversation from 2019. Jimmie Manning and Chad Edwards had examined the awards to insure there was enough financial support for the awards. The Melissa Beall award was not properly funded, but Melissa donated enough money to full fund the award.

Donna Pawlowski shared that another group had a discussion that there must be \$2500 already funded and then there must be \$5000 to have the award named. However, she was not completely sure.

Kody and Stevie were planning to meet with Tiffany Wang for clarification.

## 7. Next Year's Conference Ideas

Theme for 2022 is Reconnect.

- Online Basic Course Directors Conference (data to present)
- Mentorship Carousel
- Basic Course Director Annual authors
- D. A. T. E. Sessions for Assessment
- Outreach to less involved Basic Course people from Central
- Graduate Student collaboration
- Long term adjuncts/future of the basic course/disconnected instructors
- Focusing on different types of institutions
- Critical Communication scholars—reconnect with these scholars
- Maybe a book club/article club panel
- Reconnecting students with college classrooms
- Enrollment “cliff”—Potential impact
- What will be our new expectations from students who have spent more time online?
- Reconnecting with our other regional Basic Course Directors (maybe Zoom them in?)

## 8. Announcements / Other Business

- a. Cheri Simonds mentioned the next Basic Course Directors conference in June. Dates are pending.
- b. Josh Westwick challenged us to forward the call out to different people to encourage people to get more actively involved.

## 9. Passing the gavel

- a. Kody thanked everyone for their support over the last year.

## 10. Adjournment

- a. Cheri Simonds motioned to adjourn.
- b. Josh Westwick seconded
- c. Meeting adjourned.