

Rhetorical Theory and Criticism: Business Meeting Agenda
2023 Convention – Saturday, April 6, Grand Rapids, MI

CALL TO ORDER: Tom Salek

- Welcome to all attendees
- Introduction of Interest Group leadership team: Gordana Lazić and Alexandra Parr Balam

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Minutes from the 2023 meeting circulated

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Secretary nominations for 2023/2024
 - a. Nominations requested at the business meeting.
- b. Presentation of awards for top papers:
 - a. Karlyn Kohrs Campbell award
 - i. "'You Are Not The Victim Here': Conspirituality and the Framing of Evangelical Patriarchy as a Victim of #ChurchToo Disruption (Top Paper)" Karly Poyner-Smith, University of Memphis; Patrick Loebs, Grace College
 - b. David Zarefsky award
 - i. "Language Strategies and Social Media Mobilization in #FixTheCountry: A Critical Discourse Analysis (Top Student Paper, Top Debut Paper)" Matthew Edor, Illinois State University
- c. Chair's report
 - a. Submissions continue to appear to be on track with pre-pandemic levels. We were able to fill our available slots with strong scholarship. We were not able to slate every submission we received.
 - b. 19 of 21 individual papers were accepted and slotted
 - c. 3 of 3 panels were accepted.
 - d. THANK YOU to our reviewers!
 - e. Requested feedback on "Intersections, Transitions, and Silenced Voices in Rhetorical Studies" networking event.
 - f. Next year's conference will take place from April 1 – April 6 in Cincinnati, OH. To submit your ideas for papers and panels, and to share your contact information if you are interested in serving as a reviewer for the Rhetorical Theory and Criticism division, contact Gordana Lazić.
- d. No other new business was submitted

I extend my gratitude as I hand things over to the future leadership team:

Chair: Gordana Lazić, Missouri State University

Vice Chair: Alexandra Parr Balam, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Secretary: TBD

INVITE MOTION TO ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Salek, Elmhurst University