## SOGI 2024 Business Meeting Minutes Friday, April 5, 2024

18 people in attendance

- 1. Call to order and approval of minutes from 2023 meeting
- 2. 2024 Conference report
  - 1. 7 conference slots
  - 2. 6 papers submitted and accepted
  - 3. 4 panels submitted and accepted
- 3. 2024 SOGI Awards
  - 1. Jimmie Manning Award winner, Michaela Meyer and Raffi Sarkissian
  - 2. Top Student Paper Award, Dennis Ekwemnachukwu Okeke
  - 3. Outstanding Scholarship Awards
    - 1. Justin J. Rudnick & Stevie Munz
    - 2. Evan Brody
    - 3. Elizabeth A. Hintz & J. Applequist
  - 4. Chesebro Award, Danielle Stern
- 4. Call for respondents, chairs, and reviewers
  - 1. Will send out email to solicit volunteers
- 5. New Business
  - 1. Election for secretary (three-year commitment)
    - 1. Vianna Isbister (independent scholar), studies sexuality, polyamory, bisexuality elected!
  - 2. Passing of the gavel from Stephanie Young to Jimmie Manning, 2025 program planner

## 2025 Conference Planning

- April 1-6 in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Deadline of Oct. 1-ish
- Theme: Widening the Scope
- 20th anniversary of SOGI Caucus!
- Queer family dinner, opportunity to check-in and support each other
- Discussion to get a petition together for an Ahmet Atay Top Student Paper Award
- Opened floor for member introductions and panel ideas
- Chesebro Award winner panel (Justin)
- Neurodiversity and LGBTQ+ intersections (Michaela)

- Circus, performance, (Sandy, Jimmie)
- Drag show (Jimmie)
- Social hour/family dinner (Tony; Vianna suggested to have it after the conference; Kathy suggested an inter-caucus social)
- Reach out to other interest groups (Jimmie)
- Queer joy and youth (Sandy)
- Past or current journal editors to discuss "making space" for queer scholarship (Justin)
- Building upon performance to queer embodiment and co-sponsorship with Performance Studies and Autoethnography IG (Danielle)
- Book discussion of Butler's Who's Afraid of Gender (Jimmie)
- Assembling SOGI Archive (Nick and Danielle)
- Queer forum in Atlantic Journal of Communication (Jimmie)

## **Announcements**

- Journal of Communication (Elizabeth)
- University of Nevada, Reno Org Comm tenure-track job opening and assistantships for MA (Jimmie)
- SUBMIT your work to keep SOGI slots (Kathy)

Adjourned!