

## **APSA Organized Section on Experimental Research**

Business Meeting  
2013 APSA Annual Meeting  
August 31, 2011  
Chicago, IL

### *Minutes*

Meeting called to order by Alan Gerber (AG) at 12:17 P.M CST.

AG presented overview of agenda for business meeting. AG reported that section has 349 paying members and \$5,400 balance in the bank account.

#### 1. Nomination of officers

The following slate of individuals was nominated (Nominating Committee: James Druckman, Cheryl Boudreau, Adam Levine, Donald Green) and approved/elected unanimously for calendar years indicated in parentheses:

- President: Jim Kulinski (2014)
- President-elect: Lynn Vavreck (2015)
- At-large Council: Jennifer Jerit (2014-15); Kevin Esterling (2014-15); Alan Gerber (2014-15)
- Treasurer: Ted Brader (2014)
- Secretary: Neil Malhotra (2014)
- Newsletter editor: Peter Loewen
- Webmaster: Jennifer Wolak
- APSA Program Co-Chairs: Adam Berinsky, Betsy Sinclair

Rick Wilson made a motion to accept the committee nominations. Josh Tucker seconded. Voice vote was unanimous.

#### 2. Prizes

Prizes for Best Paper, Best Dissertation, and Best Book were handed out by the respective chairs of the committees: Lynn Vavreck, Macartan Humphreys, Jamie Druckman

#### 3. Journal

Josh Tucker (JT), co-editor of JEPS, announced that journal started taking submissions in mid-July. It has already gotten 65 submissions. Tucker and Morton are introducing various innovations with the journal: (1) pre-screening of papers before being sent out to reviewers by co-editors and associate editors; (2) publishing short 2500 word articles (although initial submission can be longer); (3) publication of null results if experiment is theoretically motivated and well designed; (4) publication of replications of experiments; (5) acceptance of past reviews from other journals with manuscript submission. Tucker recommended that section members read Guidelines for Reviewers.

Gillian Greenough (GG), Cambridge Press representative, made remarks introducing herself

Tucker opened the floor for audience Q&A.

Question #1: Why are there only 2 issues per year?

Answer (JT): Want to set reputation of journal early; didn't want to have pressure to fill issues. Keep high quality. 2 issues for first 2 years, automatically bump up to 3 after that.

Question #2: When will the first issue come out and how can we get our library to subscribe to it?

Answer (JT): Early 2014. Accepted articles will be published online earlier.

Answer (GG): Journal will be in consortium packages for libraries subscribing to the package.

#### 4. Q&A / Announcements

No comments, questions, or announcements.

AG closing comments: Thank you to Cheryl Boudreau and David Nickerson, program committee for 2013 APSA, Dustin Tingley for editing newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM CST.

Submitted by: Neil Malhotra, Secretary