# NCA 2019 Baltimore, Maryland Language and Social Interaction Division Business Meeting

Friday, November 15, 2019. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM. Hilton, Carroll (Third Floor) **AGENDA** 

## 1. Call to order. Approval of agenda

Carrol moved to adopt the agenda. The majority was also in favor.

# 2. Approval of minutes for 2018 LSI Business Meeting at NCA, Salt Lake City, Utah (5 minutes)

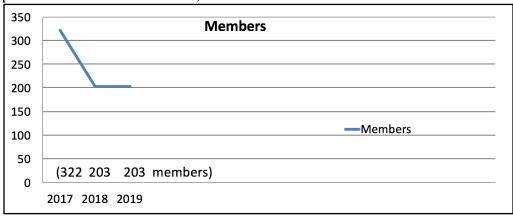
Mardi moved to approve and a majority was in favor.

## 3. Report from Chair (Mardi Kidwell, 5 minutes)

- a. Legislative Assembly Report
  - Report of NCA passing a Resolution Condemning White Supremacy in Political Discourse
    - i. "...Therefore be it resolved that the NCA condemns in the strongest possible terms white supremacist discourse by political leaders that argues for white people's biological and/or cultural superiority and/or the biological and/or cultural inferiority of people of color and white nationalist discourse that argues for the physical and cultural segregation of people by race."

## b. Membership and Budget

a. Decline in overall membership over the past 3 years (from 322 members to the present roster of 203 members)



#### b. Budget:

- i. Total revenue from NCA this year: \$510
- ii. Net expenditures: \$510
  - 1. \$350 Award checks
  - 2. \$31 Award plaque
  - 3. \$129 LSI Social hour (estimated)

#### 4. Report from Vice Chair (Jessica Robles, 10 minutes)

- a. 2019 Convention Program
  - a. There were 40 overall individual paper submissions (31 were accepted, 4 were transferred to scholar-to-scholar, 2 transferred to other divisions, 7 were rejected) and 3 panel submissions (including data session) that were all accepted.
  - b. The following chart was presented that showed the trends in overall paper submissions to the division:

## b. Presentation of Top Paper Award

- a. [Award name]
- c. Presentation of Top Student Paper Award
  - a. Darcey Searlees, "Object identification in family interactions: An orientation to selecting the most precise term"
- d. The two outgoing officers (Alexa Hepburn, Stephen DiDomenico) were thanked for their years of service

## 5. Report from Vice Chair-Elect (Alena Vasilyeva, 10 minutes)

- a. 2020 Convention Programming Updates
  - a. The conference theme will be "Communication at the Crossroads" for next year's NCA in Indianapolis, Indiana. It will be held from Nov.  $19 22^{nd}$  at the JW Marriott Indianapolis (roughly 15 minutes from the airport). There will be 9 slots for our division.
  - b. [Discussion ensued of the declining slots and overall membership]
- **b.** Presentation of 2018 Outstanding Dissertation Award
  - **a.** Adrian Kerrison, "We're all behind you: The co-construction of turns and sequences-at-cheering"

## 6. Report from Information Officers (Stephen DiDomenico & Joshua Raclaw, 5 minutes)

- **a.** New social media presence on Twitter (please follow us!)
- **b.** Special thanks to Leah Wingard for her tremendous help in getting all of the new teaching resources posted to the teaching page of our LSI website. Please contact Leah (email) if you would like to add or modify any resources currently up there.
- **c.** Josh summarized several themes from the survey

#### 7. Immediate Past Chair (Alexa Hepburn, 5 minutes)

a. Presentation of "Old Chestnut" Award (for outstanding scholarly publication older than 5 years) to Francis Cooren for his 2015 book, *Organizational discourse: Communication and constitution* 

#### 8. Elections (Alexa Hepburn, 15 minutes)

- a. Information Officer nominations
  - a. Natasha Shrikant (winner)
  - b. Darcey Searles

- b. Vice Chair-Elect nominations
  - a. Stephen DiDomenico
  - b. Michele Scollo & Brion van Over (winners)

### 9. Members' Announcements (5 minutes)

- a. Diversity post doctoral scholar position available at UNH.
- b. Details about the division's social hour this year
- c. Natasha Shrikant announced that CLASP (at UC Boulder) will be co-sponsoring and coorganizing the 2020 spring conference of the Society for Linguistic Anthropology. It will be held April 2-5, 2020 in Boulder.
- d. The passing of \_\_\_\_\_. He was one of the scholars who initially helped found the LSI division in 1980s.
- e. Brion van Over announced his new co-edited book (with Ute Winter, Elizabeth Molina-Markham, Sunny Lie, Donal Carbaugh), "Communication in Vehicles: Cultural variability in speech systems" will be published in Jan. 2020 by De Gruyter.
- f. Rutgers will be holding a "Core Skills in Conversation Analysis" Workshop in June 2020. Guest speakers will include John Heritage and Geoffrey Raymond. A research symposium will follow.

# **10. Discussion Items from Officers (15 minutes)**

- a. One possibility for preserving a slot could be to hold our business meeting after the normal presentation timeslots ("after hours"). Another possibility could be to have the business meeting in the same slot as the top papers.
- b. One member recommended starting a type of mentor/mentee partnership program to help graduate student or first-time presenters feel more comfortable with continuing to participate in the division. Allegedly there is a rule about this at the association level, but it has not been enforced in the past at the division level.
- c. One point raised was that authors who submit multiple papers may actually lead to less people presenting and registering for the conference.
- d. Increasing the amount of grad student support for conference travel (and awards) may lead to more submissions overall.

#### 11. Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. DiDomenico (Information Officer)