

ISPP Governing Council (GC) Meeting

July 3-4, 2018

Hilton Palacio del Rio Hotel

San Antonio, TX, USA

Website Synopsis

Review ISPP Awards - The eligibility language for both book awards was updated to be: "Books are eligible according to the year in which they are published. Books can only be nominated once." It was decided to establish an ISPP Poster Award for EC Scholars.

ISPP History Report - Kate Reynolds has been working on creating an ISPP History and Diversity at 40 Report. This report is a good way to track ISPP's initiatives that have led to a more diversified and representative organization. Upon its completion, the full History and Diversity Report will be made available to the ISPP membership through the ISPP website and e-mail communication.

VP Report – Conferences - After a discussion on the various venue options in Montreal, a motion was made for an Omni contract to be pursued. The 2019 Program Chairs will move forward with implementing Blitz Presentations for the 2019 conference. The Conference Submission Guidelines, put together by Michael Morell and this year's conference Program Chairs, Frank Asbrock and Bethany Albertson, were reviewed. After some revisions were made it was decided that the revised conference submission guidelines will be provided as guidance for abstract submissions going forward. After discussion on future conference location recommendations, it was decided to target locations in South America (2022), Europe (2023), and a highly attractive destination (2024). Athens was recommended as the 2023 conference destination and Prague as a backup location, perhaps for 2024.

VP Report - Membership/Internationalization - The Membership and Internationalization Committee recommends that a Diversity Advocate be added to each standing committee to help ensure diversity remains an impacting factor in committee decisions. A motion was made that each standing committee will choose from amongst any of its members a Diversity Advocate; the chair is eligible to hold this role. The Advocates will monitor and gradually advance initiatives outlined in the 2018 Internationalization and Diversification Report. When an initiative for internationalization and diversification requires a vote of the GC, the Advocate will make sure it is brought to the agenda in the next GC meeting. All approved this motion.

Journal Report - Pasko Merino was introduced as the new editorial assistant. It was noted the restructuring of the editorial board has not yet been completed but is still something Catarina would like to work towards, keeping in mind the discussions on internationalization and diversity.

San Antonio Conference Preliminary Reports - This year we did encounter some issues with the new software system specifically relating to the submission process. We are hoping to work with the system to make the process much smoother for next year. In order to offset the costs for enabling virtual presentations, a registration fee for virtual presentations will be added to future conference registration

pricing. This is done with the caveat that we make it very clear to people that they are not expected to pay if they were denied a visa or cannot afford the trip from a low-income country.

Restructure GC Update – A special committee has been put in place to work on the restructuring of the GC and its operations. The new recommended operating committees are: Finance – Chaired by the Councilor. Treasurer serves ex-officio. Three at-large members of the GC. / Operations and Procedures – Chaired by the Past-President, plus three at-large members of the GC. / Initiatives – Chaired by a Vice President, plus three at-large members of GC, ECC Chair also as a member. / Communication and Conferences – Chaired by a Vice President, plus three at-large members of the GC, President-elect would also serve on this committee. If we continue to have a Director of Communications as we do now, this person would also serve here. The Executive Director would be an ex-officio member of all of the operating committees. Existing committees that would continue to operate: Program Committee, Early Career Committee, Nominations Committee, Awards Committees. Personnel Committee – Will be formally recognized anew. This committee has had and would continue to have oversight of the CO, including evaluations of the ED, and recommendations for salary and benefit changes. Made up of the President, the Past-president, and the Treasurer. The Restructuring Committee is also tasked with resolving and updating the technical and operational issues within the ISPP Constitution. The suggested changes to the Constitution will be brought before the GC at the January 2019 GC meeting and, given their approval, they will be put before the membership for a vote along with the 2019 nominations.

Situations in Turkey and Hungary Discussion/Update – The ISPP Scholars Under Threat Committee is tasked to allocate contributions donated under the Scholars Under Threat Fund after review of applications. Various ways to increase these supportive efforts were discussed and it was decided to extend the matching fund campaign throughout this year (2018). An appeal was made to encourage ISPP members to attend the trials in Turkey as attendance does impact the trials' process.

Search Committee/Position Updates - ISPP Director of Communications: Jolanda van der Noll's term ends July 2019; a search committee is being established find a new person for this role. Editorial Team of Political Psychology: Currently there are two formal expressions of interest and two informal expressions. In order to include applications from lower income institutions and countries, the Committee now has the ability to review and consider proposals that may not have institutional funding. The Search Committee will bring a recommendation to the January 2019 GC meeting. Publisher: A search committee has begun the process of renewing our current contract with Wiley or searching for a new publisher. Editor-in-Chief of Advances: A committee has not been constituted at this point, but any suggestions and recommendations from the GC are welcome. Howard Lavine's term ends January 2021. The new editor will need to be voted in by January 2020 to allow for a one-year transition. Interim VP of Membership/Internationalization: Aleksandra Cichocka will be filling this role.

ISPP Mentoring Program Update – It was decided that we give the Mentoring Program time to grow. The President is to appoint new chair for the Mentoring Program Committee and ECC Past Chair is to be added as a committee member.

EASP/ISPP Joint Small Grants for small meeting sponsorships – There was discussion and a decision to hold back the Small Grants this year.