ISPP Governing Council (GC) Meeting
Website Synopsis
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The constitutional changes put to vote by the membership in the spring failed due to a lack of a quorum. There was discussion regarding the relatively low response rate for any ISPP voting materials, including GC elections. Nick plans to appoint Dave as chair of a committee that will simplify the changes and outline what absolutely has to be done in order to operate in compliance of the ISPP Constitution.

We are extremely pleased with the turnout for the 2019 ISPP Annual Meeting. This year we had an extremely high number of submissions and a rather small venue. After discussion, a motion was made to implement a new rule for the 2020 Berlin Conference. All authors are limited to one presenting author submission. Individuals may serve in other roles such as discussant or chair and participate in roundtables in addition to their one presenting author submission. The motion passed with some concerns.

The Finance Committee made some recommendations to combat potential future financial challenges:

- A motion was passed that in the event the Treasurer becomes temporarily incapacitated, has resigned, or has been removed from office, the Chair of the Finance Committee (or, if the President so chooses, a different person appointed by the President) shall serve as Acting Treasurer.

- Following the previous vote it a motion was also passed that any person who is temporarily filling any of the roles of Treasurer or Executive Director shall have the same fiduciary obligations to ISPP as do the Treasurer and Executive Director, as outlined in the Constitution, By-Laws, or policies adopted by the GC.

- A motion was made to move the Summer Academy (SA) towards being self-funded starting after the 2021 Montreal conference. This is supported by the current SA director, Chris Weber.

- A motion passed for all conference surpluses, except for funds needed for awards, to be returned to the endowment until it has grown to $2,500,000 USD or until our financial advisor believes it will generate $125,000 annually.

- A motion passed that any new initiative should have clearly specified goals, have a plan to evaluate achievement of those goals with measurable metrics, designate who are the responsible parties for the evaluation, and have a specified timeframe for evaluation.

- After discussion over the proposed travel policy it was decided the Finance Committee should take into account the comments and concerns shared here at the GC meeting.
and adjust the new travel policy accordingly. This will then be re-presented at the 2020 January GC meeting.

After the GC reviewed how open access could possibly affect journal revenues, a motion was passed to move forward with pursuing this contract with Wiley.

Orla Muldoon and James Liu and their team were approved as the incoming co-editors-in-chief for *Political Psychology* with the understanding they are to add an additional co-editor. Nicholson and Perez were approved as the incoming co-editors-in-chief of *Advances*.

Advertisement for the ISPP Director of Communications position has been made. We hope to fill this position before the next GC meeting.

The ECC will be using Slack until January and will engage with it to see if this is a good feature for the organization. There was some concern about adding an additional communication method, but it was pointed out that there is no cost involved with testing this.

A motion was made and approved to reduce the SA attendees’ conference waivers to be a 50% waiver instead of 100%. The conference registration fee will be rolled into the SA fees for administrative convenience. A second motion was made and approved to eliminate the waived conference fee and instead offer a 50% waiver for all ECC officers. A third motion was made and approved to remove the retired fee option for the conference. A fourth motion was made and approved to eliminate the printed program for 2020.

A motion was made and approved for the VP of Conferences, in collaboration with the CO, to research the logistics and costs of providing on-site childcare for a fee at future ISPP meetings, with an update and implementation proposal to be made at the January 2020 GC meeting.

There was discussion around the recommended 2022 venue, after which a motion was made and approved to do what we can to make the Crowne Plaza in Santiago work in terms of space for the main meeting, holding receptions elsewhere, keeping in mind the concerns and suggestions shared during this discussion.

A motion was made and approved to add one additional meeting room to the Berlin contract.

The proposal to solicit ideas for keynote speakers within the post-conference survey, keeping in mind diversity, passed unanimously. The Initiatives Committee recommends that we include the diversity statement on the symposia submission webpage. This was approved.

The Initiatives Committee also recommended to include a welcome reception for first-time and diversity attendees every year at the ISPP Annual Meeting. Sev suggested that since we are already contracted to spend the food and beverage money, we could potentially take one SA lunch day and change this to a diversity luncheon or reception, if workable within the existing contract. Dave agreed that we do not make this a policy but instead work towards
implementing what Sev has suggested for Berlin and Montreal. Melinda noted that we should make sure this is submitted as a budgetary request for January. Dave asked the committee if this is an acceptable alternative. They agreed.

The Scholars Under Threat Committee is encouraged to set up a new twinning scheme and work to creatively organize funding for this. The committee is encouraged to investigate the use of grant funding to be used for research as well as emergency funding. We will refrain from advertising job opportunities on the website from universities supporting academic oppression.

The GC approved a new rule that Travel Award recipients only be able to receive one EC Scholars Travel Award. They additionally approved the rule that ECC members should not be eligible for the EC Scholars Travel Award, given their discounted conference registration fee.

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