Chairs Coordinating Council Conference Call
April 9, 2015, 10:00am

Present: Sharon Herbert, Cynthia Rufo-McCormick, Andy Vaughn, Chuck Jones, Erin Darby, Danielle Fatkin, Laura Mazow

Absent: Randy Younker, Geoff Emberling, Susan Ackerman

I. Approval of Minutes

Minutes approved.

Susan has not been able to send out summary of strategic planning meeting yet. The CCC will give feedback on the report after the board meeting.

Cynthia will send out doodle survey for future CCC meetings.

II. Report from Awards Committee

The popular book award will be named in honor of Nancy Lapp. The poster award will be named in honor of Joy Ungerleider-Mayerson.

Yorke Rowan is up for renewal for a second term as a member of the Awards Committee. The chair of the committee will send Sharon information about this for review by the board, as well as a list of committee members and their term limits.

III. COP Report

For the upcoming issue of BASOR, select articles are appearing online in advance of the print issue. This is a good step forward and it going well.

Bill Caraher’s data is available in Open Context and he would like to publish a digital second edition of his ARS book that links to this data. We don’t know how this will affect sales, but we are going to try it and see how it works.

At the COP meeting in November, a proposal was made that ASOR should permit Hathi Trust to make older ASOR publications available through Google Books.

IV. Program Committee Report
The committee chair commended Meetings Manager Arlene Press for doing an excellent job staying on top of everything. 472 abstracts have been received and are under review. This is down from 510 last year, but it is still a strong showing. The abstract reviewing process is underway. The next deadline is getting program copy out to session chairs on April 15th. The committee is on schedule for this.

A few sessions need more papers. Some multi-year sessions are struggling, as well as some co-sponsored sessions. Sessions with many paper submissions include Ancient Inscriptions and Archaeology of Jordan, which are ASOR-sponsored.

V. CAP Report

Lynn Dodd Swartz is handling the fellowship awards this year. It is going well.

VI. Junior Scholars Committee Report

The committee would like to add a third student member, Gabrielle Bornstein. She is a graduate student at Cornell, and has worked with Yorke Rowan and Morag Kersel. The chair will send Sharon more information about Gabrielle.

The committee has begun compiling questions for a survey, which will go live in August. If other committees would like to include questions, submit them to Erin in the next two months. The committee is also compiling information from other professional organizations to assess how they deal with membership and annual meeting fees for post-graduates.

VII. Discussion of ASOR Ethics Policy

Sharon asked if anyone had comments about the policy that they would like conveyed to the board before the meeting next week.

It was agreed that everyone had ample opportunity to give feedback.

The chair of the Publications Committee stated that he had no objections, but was not completely comfortable with the policy, but that is the nature of ethics discussions.

Others agreed, and Andy summarized this general agreement by stating that the policy is a compromise document that represents what we can be settled on right now.