AGENDA
NASSS Board Meeting
Windsor, Ontario, Wednesday, November 1, 201
3:00-6:00 pm – Jovis — Caesars Windsor

Invited: All members of the current (2016-2017) and incoming (2017-2018) NASSS Boards
Attended: Theresa Walton-Fisete, Michael Giardina, Erica Zonder (for Brenda Reimer), Jessica Chin, Rachel Allison, Bob Case, Nancy Spencer, William Bridel, Becky Beal, Joshua Newman, Cheryl Cooky, Katelyn Esmonde, Audrey Giles, Sophy Chan, Sam Twito, Jen McGovern

1. Call to order (T. Walton-Fisette, President of NASSS, Chair of Executive Board)
   a. By Theresa at 3:04

2. Welcome, introductions & procedures

3. Land Acknowledgment: Josh.

4. Approval of the agenda
Audrey moves, Rachel second
All ayes

5. Minutes of the November 5th, 2016 NASSS Board meeting were approved via email vote.

6. Discussion of “Old Business”
      i. Each Committee Chair should examine the committee they oversaw and make changes as needed. In particular, make sure the notification process for each award is up to date, as well as deadlines for each award nomination or submission. January 1 deadline to be sent to Becky

New Business

7. Changes in By-Laws (discussion as will be voted on by membership in Friday’s business meeting)
   a. Addition of Parliamentarian (Walton-Fisette)
      i. Ad hoc position. Goal is to help facilitate and clarify Robert’s Rules procedures. Appointed by president, 3 year term- Theresa going to look at that PPM, keep a list of back up from those who apply
      ii. Put a call out for people to apply - Josh
   b. Revision to Steering Committee member terms (Bridel)
      i. Switch from 3 to 1 year appointment to be in align with other committees
   c. Communications Committee update (McGovern & Cooky)
      i. Jen discussed reasons for his update of the committee
8. Student financial conference support (Walton-Fisette)
   Credit goes to Faye for doing this; and Keth Harrison and Jen McGovern. First time this
   has been done. Ideally, we can have people donate when they register (or other means
   besides silent auction), goal to create an endowed fund

9. Rotating Cities Model
   a. Update on current status (Case and Richardson)
      i. Committed to it last year even though passed under Faye’s presidency
      ii. Consistency with cities to help with budget and planning
      iii. Rates are reasonable and allows people to go to more than one
           conference per year.
      iv. Conversation about rotating “regions” as opposed to specific cities. Gives
          more flexibility. Helps to have faculty/students in those potential host
          cities.
      v. Helms Briscoe organization (and their ilk) are networked with cities/hotels
         that can provide information and templates for bids – gives all
         information.
   b. Creation of ad-hoc working group (Walton-Fisette)
      i. Josh will head this up and create it under Josh’s presidency
      ii. Charge of committee is to create parameters
      iii. But with board’s input
      iv. Assessment/survey for attendee satisfaction
      v. Reexamine RFP
      vi. Parameters: hotel specific issues goes to site selection committee,
          whereas ad hoc committee looks at contextual issues of city choices.
      vii. Canada at least once every 4 years.

10. Diversity and Inclusion on NASSS Board (Walton-Fisette & Cooky)
    a. General concerns and perceptions
       Cooky: exchange on nasss listserv prompted concern over respectful exchange.
       NASSS needs to be responsible for diversity, not just the diversity committee.
       2005 report Alma Clayton Peterson  (DCCC was created after that- voting member)- 2015
       10 years anniversary of report DCCC conversation – generally positive feedback. Other
       means of increasing diversity has been new fee structure and support for students. Take a
       student to lunch as issue as not everyone participates. Perhaps create a lisason situation to
       welcome new comers. New attendees reception on Thursday–where the board attends and
       circulates to welcome people. Pipelines into the board – how do we get people involved.

Reports & New Business from Standing Committees*

11. Conference Program Committee (Newman)
    a. Discussion of limits on session submissions in order to help facilitate creating the
       entire conference program. Decided that a person can submit multiple sessions,
       but only preside over 1 session, need to have others facilitate if session topic is
       popular enough to generate multiple sessions. This way, they can get credit for
       organizing – but only one presider. Similar to authorship limits. Organizers need
       to identify other presiders. Josh to update the PPM with Theresa on this including
       the Call for sessions and Acceptance sample letter. Reach out to session leaders
       whose session are popular to get feedback

12. Conference Steering Committee (Bridel)
13. Finance Committee (Zonder for Riemer)
   a. From Brenda, via Erica, with respect to imbursements, request is to send separate documents for invoice as opposed to being embedded in an email stream. With respect to facilitating student volunteer’s waiver of conference fee, Katie and William will develop language for that process (marking the pay be check when registering). Work on identifying student scholarships for travel earlier. (ad hoc committee will work on this). Need to put this process in PPM.

14. Elections Committee (Chin)
   a. Discussion about membership/eligibility requirements for voting in board elections to the agenda.
   b. Because most people sign up right before NASSS, this impacts voter eligibility and voting rate has been low. Last year’s attempt to increase voter rate by allowing “last year” and current year members to vote was very messy.
   c. Jessica moved: Return to the original policy whereby only current members are eligible to vote in that election year
   d. Cooky second
   e. All ayes – motion passes.
   f. Place in the PPM – add that during odd/even years order of candidates is either alphabetical or reverse alphabetical order.
   g. Continue to recruit people directly one on one as well as general calls and self-nominations.

15. Web Committee (McGovern)

16. Diversity and Conference Climate Committee (Hart)

17. Graduate Student Representatives (Twito & Esmonde)

18. Archivist (Spencer)

19. SSJ Editor (Giardina)

20. NASSS Secretary (Beal)

21. Reports and New Business from Award Committees
   a. Outstanding SSJ Article Award Committee (Jette)
   b. Outstanding Book Award Committee (Giles)
      i. Discussion about timeline for book nominations and work; push back book award to no later than March 30th.
   c. Barbara Brown Outstanding Student Paper Award Committee (Allison)
   d. Distinguished Service Award Committee (Cooky)
      i. Discussion on number of nominations & ideas for increasing this
   e. SSJ Early Career Research Award (Giardina)
   f. NASSS Fellows (Walton-Fisette)

*Note that Reports are available on the website and via the Board Google Group. We will use the Board meeting time for any discussion from these reports, rather than recapping the information in the reports. Please read them ahead of the meeting.

Other Business
22. Saturday AGENDA – 7:00-10:00 a.m., NEROS
   a. Joshua Newman – draft items


24. Varia
   a. Board Departures (Cooky, Past-President; Shannon Jette, Member-at-Large; Rachel Allison, Member-at-Large; Sam Twito, Graduate Student Representative)
   b. Welcome new members (Akilah Carter Francique, President-Elect; Parissa Safai, Member-at-Large; Courtney Flowers, Member-at-Large; Sophy Chan, Graduate Student Representative)

25. Adjournment 6:05
   a. Josh moved, Cheryl Seconded
   b. Unanimously approved