

**INSTRUCTIONAL DIVISION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**  
**Eastern Communication Association 2013**  
**Pittsburgh, PA**

- I. Meeting called to order
  - a. Daniel Mansson called the meeting to order at 10:00am on Saturday April 27, 2013
  
- II. Approval of the 2012 meeting minutes.
  - a. Motion to approve minutes stated – Zac Johnson
  - b. Motion to approve minutes seconded- Kristen Campbell Eichhorn
  - c. Motion approved
  
- III. Acknowledgments
  - a. Nicole Blau, was unable to attend, but she was thanked for all of her hard work leading up to the conference.
    - i. Daniel Mansson facilitated the business meeting in her place.
  - b. Top Paper award winners were acknowledged:
    - “Academic Entitlement, Grade Orientation, and Classroom Justice as Predictors of Instructional Beliefs and Learning” by Jessalyn L. Vallade and Matthew M. Martin, West Virginia University (TOP PAPER)
    - “No Complain, No Gain: Students’ Organizational, Relational, and Personal Reasons for Withholding Rhetorical Dissent from their College Instructors” by San Bolkan, California Statue University, Long Beach and Alan K. Goodboy, West Virginia University
    - “A Comparison of Traditional and Hybrid Teaching: The Effects on Student Learning and Engagement” by Kristen LeBlanc Farris and Laura R. Brown, Texas State University, San Marcos
  - b. Paper readers were acknowledged
  - c. Chairs were acknowledged
  - d. Respondents were acknowledged
  
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Paper submissions
    - i. 24 papers submissions, 19 papers accepted (79% acceptance rate)
    - ii. 13 panel submissions, 6 panels accepted (46% acceptance rate)
  - b. Report from Executive Council Meeting (Kristen Campbell Eichhorn)
    - i. Nancy Willets advocated for each division to expand their members’ leadership opportunities within ECA.
    - ii. The 2016 conference may be scheduled for Hartford, CT
    - iii. Ron Arnett is currently executive director, but our division should find someone to shadow him to learn about the position.
    - iv. Nick Bowman elected to be web master for ECA

1. Students from West Virginia University reviewed the digital footprint of ECA and created an ECA Facebook page.

V. New Business

- a. Welcoming new chair for 2013, Daniel Mansson
- b. Preview of the 2014 conference, Providence, RI April 23-27
  - i. Theme-*Communities of Dissent: A "Lively Experiment" in Dialogue, Diversity, and Discourse*
  - ii. *Basic Course Conference*
  - iii. Submission deadline - October 15, 2013
  - iv. Submission deadline for undergraduate posters and papers – December 20, 2013
  - v. The Westin \$165.00 + 13% tax for single or double. Free Internet access in all guest rooms. An independent shuttle service provides transportation from the Airport, \$11 each way, running every 60 minutes. Parking is available at \$28 per night.
  - vi. IDD is scheduled to have 12 slots next year, but this could fluctuate dependent upon quality of work.
- c. Elect chair to plan 2015 conference
  - i. Nominations: Interest Group Chair
    1. Kerry Byrnes, Collins College
      - a. Nomination of Kerry Byrnes was elected by acclimation
- d. Recommendations for Nominating Committee
  - i. Positions were explained, responsibilities discussed
  - ii. ECA rep to NCA nominating Committee
    1. Daniel Mansson
  - iii. Community College rep to NCA
    1. Kerry Byrnes
  - iv. Vice Chair elect select
    1. Sally Vogl-Bauer

VI. Announcements from Danette Ifert-Johnson and others

- a. Danette Ifert-Johnson
  - i. Personal thank you to planners
  - ii. Provided an invitation to general business meeting
  - iii. Provided an invitation to the Presidents Reception
  - iv. Informed us that ECA had an attendance of over 800
  - v. Gave a gift to Nicole for her services, thanked Daniel for facilitating the business meeting
- b. Call for Special Issue: The Foundation and Future of Instructional Communication
  - i. Guest Editor, Ann Bainbridge Frymier
  - ii. Three types of manuscripts are sought
    1. History and Foundations of Communication Education and Instructional Communication

2. State of the Art Current Research
  3. Philosophical, Theoretical, and Directional Essays
  - iii. Deadline for submission: January 10, 2014
  - c. Gina Marroquin, associate editor, *Communication Teacher*
    - i. Marian Houser, Editor, *Communication Teacher*
    - ii. Special focus on assessment and original teaching ideas
    - iii. Manuscript call posted online
  - d. Tim Mottet thanked the presenters of the Top Competitive Papers in Instructional for the quality of their work and presentational skills.
  - e. Sally Vogl-Bauer discussed the importance of the Basic Course Conference. Suggested that our division should support these conferences at both NCA and ECA.
  - f. Kristen Campbell Eichhorn suggested that our division may sponsor a panel regarding how instructional scholars are being utilized in department programming or university wide issue.
- VII. Members in attendance were: CJ Claus, Daniel Mansson, Zac Johnson, Sara LaBelle, Michael Sollitto, Gina Marroquin, Kerry Byrnes, Kristen Campbell Eichhorn, Sean Horan, T.J. Martin, Candice Thomas-Maddox, Katie Neary Dunleavy, Kay Long, Zac Goldman, Amber Peplon, Christine Hirsch, Timothy P. Mottet, Laura Brown, Linda DiDesidero, Amy Matten, Sally Vogl-Bauer, Sara C. Weintraub, San Bolkan, Jessalyn Vallade, Brandi Frisby
- VIII. Meeting adjourned at 10:40am