

Minutes
Political Psychology Section
Annual Business Meeting
August 31, 2007
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American Political Science Association

I. Reports

A. Treasurer, David Redlawsk

Copies of Financial Report (dated July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007) were distributed.

Dave noted that there was approximately \$5,200 in the bank, which is about \$1,300 more than last year at this time. He also discussed the costs for this year's reception and the benefits of doing a joint reception with the EPOVB and Political Communication sections.

In general, the section is in good financial shape.

B. Communications Director, Jennifer Jerit

According to most recent records from APSA, there are 438 people in the section, which includes about 130 new members.

Along with Debbie Schildkraut (Rutgers) and Tom Rudolph (University of Illinois), the Communications Director puts out a biannual newsletter. If you did not receive the most recent newsletter (emailed to members in August), double check the email address you gave to APSA.

Let me know if you have announcements of information you would like to put in the newsletter.

Visit the section website at: <http://www.apsanet.org/~psychology/>. It will be updated in the coming weeks.

C. *Political Psychology* journal editor's report, Howard Lavine

Submissions have nearly doubled in the past year. Turnaround time on submissions also has declined (to about 2 ½ months, on average).

The journal is now using Journal Manager to manage submissions.

Two special issues coming up: one on Emotion (coming out in April), and another one on Reconciliation (coming out sometime in 2009).

Other special issues in the future on Alexander George and suicidal terrorism.

The impact rating is 16/84 for political science journals, which puts *Political Psychology* right behind *Journal of Politics*.

D. Program Chair's Report, James Druckman (not present)

This year, the section was allotted 12 panels, up from 9 last year. The acceptance rate for paper proposals was 22% (39/174); for panel proposals it was 25% (4/16).

There were several theme panels and panels co-sponsored with other sections.

Word from the APSA council meeting is that there will be a change in panel allocation policy: it will be based on the attendance rate at the previous year's panel (90%) and the rejection rate of the section (10%). There will not be a cap on panels; instead, panel allotment will be based on the three year moving average for a section.

E. Section Chair's Report, Skip Lupia

ANES Online Commons will open soon (9/17/07).

Continued funding of TESS is expected.

II. Office Elections

Chris Federico (University of Minnesota—Political Science and Psychology) was nominated and subsequently approved on voice vote to be Chair-Elect.

David Redlawsk was elected to another term as Treasurer.

III. Call for Papers for APSA 2008

Adam Berinsky (MIT—Political Science) will be the section program chair for the APSA 2008 meeting in Boston.

IV. Presentation of Section Awards

A. 2007 Best Dissertation Award

Winner: Talia Jomini Stroud for "Selective Exposure to Partisan Information" (University of Pennsylvania).

Award Committee: John Hibbing (chair), University of Nebraska; Christopher Federico, University of Minnesota; and Jennifer Wolak, University of Colorado- Boulder.

B. 2007 Robert E. Lane Best Book Award

Winner: Diana C. Mutz (University of Pennsylvania) for *Hearing the Other Side: Deliberative versus Participatory Democracy* (Cambridge University Press, 2006).

Award Committee: Martin Gilens (chair), Princeton University; Michael A. Neblo, Ohio State University; and Tasha Philpot, University of Texas.

C. 2007 Best Paper Award

Winners: Nicholas A. Valentino, Vincent L. Hutchings, Krysha Gregorowicz, Eric Groenendyk, and Ted Brader (University of Michigan) for "Election Night's All Right for Fighting."

Award Committee: Rose McDermott, UC Santa Barbara; Dennis Chong, Northwestern University; and Kathleen McGraw, Ohio State University.

V. Thanks to the Executive Board, Journal Editors, and Committees

VI. Gavel Passes to Howard Lavine, the new Section Chair

VII. Miscellaneous Business

Dave Redlawsk, section chair for MPSA Political Psychology panels announces deadline for proposals (October 10, 2007).

VIII. Adjourn to Reception