

North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity  
Annual Fall Executive Committee Meeting  
Chicago, Illinois  
2011

Attending: President Diane Ste-Marie, past president Jody Jensen, president-elect John Shea, secretary-Treasurer John Buchanan, communications director Jeff Fairbrother, past president Liaison Howard Zelaznik, conference organizer Penny McCullagh, and student representative Travis Dorsch.

President Diane Ste-Marie called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m. CST Friday, September 31, 2012.

Minutes from the Burlington, Vermont, 2011, post-conference EC meeting were edited. PP Jody Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes, PL Howard Zelaznik seconded the motion, and the EC voted to accept the minutes.

1. Penny McCullagh reported that 380 individuals attended the 2011 NASPSPA conference in Burlington.
2. The EC went over the survey of the 2011 conference. An issue that arose: Can the survey help the EC to select conference locations to keep attendance up? This was discussed as an issue since the registration for the Burlington conference was down from the 2010 Tucson conference.
2. The EC discussed the current registration fees and how these are set from year to year. An issue that came up was the use of profit generated by registration fees. Two primary ideas were discussed: (1) Howard Zelaznik and Jeff Fairbrother stated that it may be useful to analyze profit as a means to adjust registration every few years, and (2) profit can also be used to support more student research and support early career faculty research. Penny McCullagh noted that a lot of the profit is often generated by late registrants. Thus, the current registration fees are in keeping with one aspect of NASPSPA's mission: keep registration costs down for students.
3. The EC discussed the need to fine-tune the abstract evaluation process. It seems that each division has their own criterion. This will need to be discussed with the program chairs during the winter submission process and at the Hawaii conference. PL Howard Zelaznik was assigned the job of outlining a review process for abstracts that would be passed on to PP Jensen. There also seems to be a need to create some rules for the organization of symposiums at the conference. The goal is to develop symposia with individuals presenting on the same topic, but not all being from the same lab or having a history of association with the same mentor or lab. A final issue discussed was whether the committees should try and work in more verbal presentations by professors and reduce verbal presentations by students. Philosophically, student presentations are a part of the NASPSPA mission. A way to regulate the quality of the presentation needs to be discussed by the EC and program chairs.

4. The 2012 conference is in Hawaii. Advertisement of the conference to other societies and groups will be handled by CD Jeff Fairbrother and PP Jody Jensen. Some of the issues discussed were the use of DVDs to run advertisement spots for sponsors (e.g., before keynote lectures, in the lobby outside the conference rooms, or on the PCs between sessions). May want to go to the sponsors and see if they would like to have a poster mounted in the lobby or in the session rooms. PP Jody Jensen stated that she will also attempt to reach out to more local sponsors: PT groups, local armed services, fitness and health clubs, etc. The issue of developing industry partners linked to motor control and learning and sport psychology research was brought forth. The EC stated that this had possibilities but that specific policy would need to be developed on the types of industry that NASPSPA might want to affiliate with. PL Howard Zelaznik motioned for PP Jody Jensen and Penny McCullagh to pursue sponsors for specific keynote speakers and investigate industry standards. This motion was seconded by PE John Shea and the EC agreed.

5. PP Jody Jensen presented a preliminary program outline for the Hawaii conference. The dates of the conference are June 7, 2012, to June 9, 2012. Several keynote speakers are set: John Henderson and Joe Campos. Abstract submission for the Hawaii conference opens December 1, 2011, and closes January 13, 2012.

6. Three locations each for the 2014 and 2015 conferences were selected.

2014: Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, Boston

2015: Portland, San Francisco, San Diego

The Friday business meeting session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. CST September 31, 2012.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. CST, October 1, 2011, by president Diane Ste-Marie.

1. Conference issues. Penny McCullagh presented a cost/fee analysis of the Hawaii conference and the EC decided that the fees for the 2012 conference will be the same as for the 2011 conference. The three research areas for the conference are sport psychology, motor control and learning, and motor development. It was stated by PP Jody Jensen that the area of development is going to change its description to broaden the area and help with attracting more participants. Graduate student research committee is set and program committees for the 2012 NASPSPA conference are set. The EC stressed the importance of making sure that program committees contain regularly attending NASPSPA members. A policy for program committee membership may need to be developed.

2. It was noted that a process to link newcomers with the older NASPSPA guard to help create interaction and develop an intellectual history of NASPSPA might benefit members and the society. One idea was to foster the development of the interaction in the initial Thursday evening meet-and-greet and wine and cheese gathering.

3. Penny McCullagh stated the possibility of NASPSPA going to Italy for a joint conference with a European sport and research society. The EC instructed Penny to look into this idea and bring more information to the Hawaii EC preconference meeting.

4. PL Howard Zelaznik stated that nominations for the distinguished scholar award have been found. Carl Newell, Dick Schmidt, and Bob Singer have volunteered to be on the Distinguished Scholar Award committee. Mo Weiss was put forth to fill the post as past president liaison to replace Howard Zelaznik. President Diane Ste-Marie will contact her to make it formal. PL Howard Zelaznik will continue to develop the procedures for setting up a NASPSPA fellow status.

5. Penny McCullagh will again take the lead on finding major sponsorships for the Hawaii conference and the EC will revisit Penny's role in sponsorship at the Hawaii meeting.

6. The current secretary-treasurer laptop is six years old, as is the software (Quicken, Microsoft Office) that is on the computer. PL Howard Zelaznik motioned that a new PC and supporting software (Microsoft office and Quicken) be purchased. PP Jody Jensen seconded the motion and the EC agreed. The old computer will be recycled. Secretary-treasurer John Buchanan will purchase the new PC.

7. CD Jeff Fairbrother reported that a draft of the fall newsletter was submitted to HK. The minutes from the post-conference Burlington EC meeting will be sent to HK and the publication date for the fall newsletter is October 15. CD Jeff Fairbrother noted that job postings do not need to be approved by the communications director and that a change in language will appear on the website. HK needs to take graduate research job button off of the website and the dates for student awards are set and posted. There are no photos of award winners on the website, just a list of award winners and their affiliation. Need to clean up the student travel award process. Check with HK regarding the listing of member information on the website.

7. PE John Shea noted that the topics covered in appendixes A and B of the NASPSPA policy manual may need to be part of separate manual. Appendix A Ethical Standards for NASPSPA members. Appendix B Guidelines for Psychological Testing within Sports and Other Physical Activity areas. The EC decided that PE John Shea should create a second manual based on appendixes A and B and what we want to keep track of historically. PE John Shea will send a copy to PL Howard Zelaznik and then to the NASPSPA EC.

8. SR Travis Dorsch reported that the student social at the Hawaii conference will start at 3:30 p.m. on Friday. This social may include surf lessons, hula lessons, etc. Travis Dorsch noted that he already had three students volunteer to run for the 2012-13 student representative position. This will require a committee to be formed in order to select two of the volunteers to run for the position. Three student research grant award winners will be asked to serve on the committee. Travis Dorsch will get CV and statement of interest

from three student candidates and forward to the PE, PP, and president. The student-faculty lunch along with the Meet the Professor gathering will continue as part of the NASPSPA agenda in Hawaii.

9. PP Jody Jensen brought up the issue of forming a futures committee for NASPSPA. The committee will be charged with addressing the following issues: Do we modify the mission statement of NASPSPA? Develop a list of possible name changes to be presented to the membership. PP Jody Jensen asked secretary-treasurer John Buchanan to pull together membership lists from the past 6 years by October 10. This information will help in selecting regularly attending members, both old and new, to be part of the futures committee. The EC approved a budget of \$500 for PP Jody Jensen to use to set up the futures committee.

10. PP Jody Jensen and president Diane Ste-Marie approached Human Kinetics and asked if they would be willing to support a research award outside the HK lecture. HK sent a letter in response to the award request and the letter seemed to be seeking extensive renegotiation of the current NASPSPA contract, which was not part of the original request. PP Jody Jensen will continue to have discussion with HK and relay any new information to the EC.

11. President Diane Ste-Marie stated that there SCAPPS will not be involved with abstract publications in the JSEP supplement for 2012. However, SCAPPS leadership will ask their membership about possibly joint publishing with NASPSPA in the JSEP supplement in the future.

12. The issue of selling the membership list was addressed. The EC committee agreed that for certain things (e.g., academic fliers) that the NASPSPA list can be sold. The current rate was \$125. PL Howard Zelaznik motioned that the value be set to \$250. PP Jody Jensen seconded the motion and the EC agreed.

13. A policy regarding the process of naming and updating electronic files is needed. PE John Shea will develop the process and submit the process to the EC committee for review and approval.

14. A student member asked if NASPSPA would advertise on its website a local hockey conference. The EC committed did not support the advertisement requested: 4 no, 2 yes, 1 abstain.

At 2:17 p.m. October 1, 2011, president Diane Ste-Marie motioned that the fall EC meeting be adjourned and this was seconded by PP Jody Jensen and the committee agreed.

Respectfully submitted

John J. Buchanan

NASPSPA secretary-treasurer