

NSSA Executive Committee  
Minutes of the conference phone call 12:00pm ET, 7/15/05

Present on the conference call:

Dave Belanger (DB)  
Franz Trouw (FT)  
Shenda Baker (SB)  
Susan Krueger (SK)  
Rob Briber (RB)

Missing:

Jim Jorgensen (JJ)  
Simon Billinge (SJB)  
Greg Smith (GS)

## Agenda

1.) Accept minutes from 6/2/05 conference call  
Documents distributed by Simon (attached)

2.) Update on ACNS 2006 (Rob)

3.) NSSA elections (Rob)

4.) Continued discussion of NSSA prizes (edits from Dave)

Please see comments on prize announcement form attached.

Also attached, previous Shull prize announcement to be edited for consistency with new prizes.

5.) Other Business

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Discussions:

1.) Accept minutes from 6/2/05 conference call

Documents distributed by Simon

Accepted as is.

2.) Update on ACNS 2006 (Rob)

The program committee conference call hadn't occurred yet, so there wasn't much to report.

The program co-chairs are Bruce Gaulin (McMaster) and Art Schultz (IPNS).

There is now a website for the meeting but with no content as of yet. The first meeting announcement will go out in August and appear on the website.

There is a draft of the contract for meeting services, etc. in circulation. Rob couldn't recall the exact costs but said they were similar to what UMD Conference Services charged for the last ACNS meeting.

Fundraising: The LENS facility at Univ. Indiana will contribute \$2,500. No word yet from BNL, SINS or the Canadian NRC.

### 3) NSSA elections (Rob)

Rob now has a master list of people to approach to run for the various offices. RB and SJB to contact people and get them to agree to run for office in September 2005. They will present a slate of names at the next call.

There was some discussion as to whether or not the September election should also include a vote on a change to the NSSA bylaws to allow NSSA to award fellowships. SB will work with GS to distribute the latest version of the fellowship descriptions so that it can be ratified at the next call. After ratification, DB will write the new bylaw to be voted on in September.

### 5.) Continued discussion of NSSA prizes (edits from Dave)

Please see comments on prize announcement form attached.

Also attached, previous Shull prize announcement to be edited for consistency with new prizes.

The NSSA prizes document was accepted as edited by DB, including his suggested paragraph. RB will make a final version to post on the website. The new prizes will also be announced by email. RB will reformat the description of the Shull Prize to be consistent with that of the new NSSA prizes and have it posted to the web as well.

Prize committees will be formed after the September 2005 elections since nominations aren't due until December 2005.

### 6.) Other Business

The next call was scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2005 at 12:00pm, ET.

Call ended at approximately 12:40 pm

Respectfully submitted, Susan Krueger, 7/18/05