

NSSA Executive Committee
Minutes of the conference phone call 12:00pm ET, 6/13/06
(action items in red)

Present on the conference call:

Roger Pynn (RP)
Simon Billinge (SJB)
Angus Wilkinson (AW)
Suzanne te Velthuis (StV)
Greg Smith (GS)
John Root (JR)
Brent Fultz (BF)

Missing:

Shenda Baker (SB)

Agenda

- 1) Approval of minutes of 5/16/06 teleconference call**
 - 2) ACNS**
 - 3) Fellows program**
 - 4) Review of action items from last minutes**
 - 5) Any other business**
 - 6) Set date for next call**
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Discussions

1) Approval of minutes of 5/16/06 teleconference call

Agenda point 2, page 2, in: "Action: JR willon the web", it should be:
"prizes" instead of "prized"
Subsequently, the minutes are approved.

2) ACNS

It is discussed if SJB and AW will be reimbursed for their expenses during the ACNS. Already two free suites offered to the NSSA have been assigned to them. It is decided that, following what was done at past ACNS conferences, only AW, as treasurer, will be reimbursed for his other expenses.
AW: This will most likely only be the registration fee.

The computers that will be made available to attendees, so they can write to congress, after the advocacy session, will not be supplied by IPNS.
Action: RP will work with IPNS and try to rent computers from elsewhere.

RP has contacted Pheasant Run in order to get a room for our ExecCom meeting, but has not heard back yet. It is decided to instead meet in SJB's suite on Monday evening at 6pm. The topics for discussion will be: Our legacy and the future of IPNS.

AW: The only support staff that will be given flowers is Maria Heinig. SJB will present them at lunch on Tuesday.

3) Fellows program

Instead of a poster, RP will present a viewgraph about the fellows program during his talk at the ACNS.

The announcement and details of the program should be put on the website as soon as possible after the meeting.

4) Review of action items from last minutes

JR: Still needs to work on making the changes in the draft of the “conflict of interest guidelines”

RP: Has located the prizes (rocks) for the student awards and will bring them to ACNS.

The registration desk at the ACNS can act as our contact desk

RP: Steve Pierson pointed out we will need “enforcers” to encourage people to use the available computers and write to congress. The e-mail action is planned for Wednesday afternoon.

Posters announcing prize winners: StV is still working on it, will get it done.

Poster about fellows program: RP will announce in his talk instead.

Announcement of student travel program to membership: still needs to be done.

5) Any other business

No other business

6) Set date for next call

The next teleconf call is set for: July 11th 2006, 12 Noon ET

RP & AW will not be available

Call ended 1:05pm ET

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne te Velthuis, 7/10/06.