

Newsletter

ISA - South General Business Meeting
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- MINUTES -

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ISA South President Tom Badey called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Nomination for officers and appointments to the executive council were discussed. Under the ISA-South bylaws outgoing president Tom Badey shall assume a seat on the Executive Council.

- Ido Oren was nominated for ISA-South President.
- Roger Coate was nominated for ISA-South Vice President.
- Thomas Smith was nominated for ISA-South Secretary.
- Sammy Barkin was nominated for Executive Council.
- Tom Janes, ISA-South webmaster, was nominated for Executive Council.

Additional nominations will be accepted for a week following the meeting. Nominations should be forwarded to ISA-South Secretary Thomas Smith. The ballot will be sent to all ISA-South members in December with a January due date.

Tom Badey reported on the executive meeting in Portland:

- There will no longer be a paper room at ISA. All authors will be encouraged to post their papers electronically.
- Provisions for child care at ISA North America meetings were approved for another 5 years.
- There has been some discussion of future cooperation with the APSA, perhaps in the area of job placement. No formal commitments have been made. ISA members are encouraged to contact Tom Volgy on this.
- ISA-South will hold its Montreal meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, March 19, 2003 at the conference hotel.

Ido Oren reported on the Gainesville conference:

- There were approximately 110 participants. About 45 percent of the participants were graduate students. There was an impressive number of international participants as well.
- The conference took in about \$4400 and had expenses of about \$3300

- Nine graduate students were awarded travel grants of \$50 each, for a total of \$450.
- \$450 in graduate student paper awards was also provided
- So essentially the ISA-South budget was unscathed by the conference.

Tom Badey relayed Mike Cairo's budget report. ISA-South has about \$11,000 as of August.

Heidi Hobbes suggested that the amount of student travel awards be raised to \$100. This was approved. Sammy Barkin suggested that Roger Coate be given the authority to approve such grants up to a total of \$1500 for the meeting in South Carolina next year. This was approved.

Nikos Zahariadis asked about the new ISA \$2 check off system to join and fund the regional organizations. Mike Cairo will be asked to investigate the impact this new arrangement has had on ISA-South membership and budget.

Roger Coate made his proposal for the Fall 2004 meeting to be held in Columbia, South Carolina. Don Puchala will be co-program chair. The conference will be based at the Clarion Townhouse Hotel in Columbia. Rates are \$70 a night for students, \$79 for non-students. Saturday lunch will be included in the registration fee (\$30 for students, \$50 for faculty/professionals in advance; \$40 and \$60 on-site). Gregory Raymond and Chuck Kegley will be keynote speakers. There may also be a Friday night plenary session.

Roger's proposal was formally adopted by the group.

Future meeting sites were discussed. There has been some interest in the University of Miami and Florida International University co-hosting the 2005 conference. Other proposals should be made by the Montreal meeting.

In new business, Tom Janes noted that ISA-South conference papers can now be posted on the ISA-South website. Members are encouraged to contribute to and use this service. Other notices related to future meetings can also be posted on the website.

The possibility of creating an ISA-South listserv was also discussed, which could be used judiciously to contact members about future meeting, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.