In attendance: Division members; Chair, Bob Krizek; Vice-Chair and Program Planner, Robin Clair; Vice-Chair Elect, Stacy Holman-Jones; Secretary, Daniel Makagon

II. Old Business

2005 Division Business Meeting minutes were approved

Vice Chair Elect’s Report on Pre-conference (Stacy Holman-Jones)

* The focus of the pre-conference was aesthetics and artistic approaches into autoethnographic work. Themes of the day included pleasure and discomfort. The group went on a sensory walk, did some performance work, and then collaborated on a culminating piece of art. Nine people registered for the pre-conference.

* Thanks to participants. Culminating art was shared with meeting attendees.

Vice-Chair’s Program Planner Report (Robin Clair)

* We had 65 competitive papers submitted. 44 were accepted. This gave us an acceptance rate of about 70%. We had 11 panels submitted. Originally we accepted 10 panels.

* We originally had 21 slots but needed one more slot for a co-sponsor with Spirituality. At the same time GLBT wanted to co-sponsor one of our panels that had been accepted. Theater Division also had a panel that they wanted to co-sponsor. Bob Krizek wisely advised that we negotiate for another slot. We were granted that extra slot. So we went from 21 slots to 24, including the Business Meeting and co-sponsored activities. Some of our co-sponsor opportunities worked out and one, with the Theater Division, did not because of an All-Academic glitch.

Secretary’s Report (Daniel Makagon)

* Thanked members for contributing to Web site.

* Encouraged other members to submit to Web site (keep in mind space limitations in terms of hosting actual PDFs of published articles).
III. New Business

Vice Chair Elect’s Report on 2006 Program Planners’ Meeting (Stacy)

* Theme for 2007 Convention: Communicating World Views: Faith, Intellect, and Ethics

* We hopefully will have some opportunities to participate in plenary panels.

* We have 24 slots for next year. Some Divisions had numbers reduced but we had an increase. This Division has excellent attendance at panels, which has contributed to our increased slots.

* Deadline for submissions will be February 14, 2007. The call is due December 6, 2006, so look for that soon.

Chair’s Report on Legislative Assembly (Bob)

* Meeting minutes and budget approved.

* Total revenues were up from $2.7 million (June 30, 2005) to $3 million (June 30, 2006). Membership is up marginally from 7,640 to 7,788. Expenses are up but at a lower rate compared to dues.

* The following financial goals were discussed:

1. Stabilize revenue from members' dues.

2. Generate additional dollars by negotiating a more favorable journal partnership contract.

3. Increase revenue from non-member sources including from the rental of NCA's Carriage House and from the Career center.

4. Reduce costs

5. Build a contingency fund to guard against:
   a. unexpected catastrophes such as natural disasters or other events that would necessitate us changing venues
   b. contractual financial obligations that may be affected by labor disputes
   c. potential drop in subscription rates due to open access journals

* Series of motions: Student membership remains at $60, most other memberships will increase $10, and Life Membership will increase $1,000 (can be paid off over three years). This motion passed.
* Elected some committee members.

* Passed guidelines for undergraduate programs (stayed general rather than providing specific mention of types of methods).

* Passed a labor dispute option.

* Name changes: (1) GL Caucus to LGBTQ Caucus and (2) Communication Apprehension and Avoidance Division to Communication, Apprehension, and Competence Division.

* Tom Nakayama was approved as editor of the Journal of International and Intercultural Communication.

* New section dedicated to MA Graduate Programs and new Communication as Social Construction.

* Voted to discontinue examination of sliding scale option.

Division Awards

_Best Book Award_ (Bryan Taylor)


_Best Article Award_ (Bryan)


_Top Four Papers_ (Robin)

Coming Out of the Coven: New Social Movements, Subaltern Communities and “Going Public”** (Top Student Paper)

**Julie Schutten** (University of Utah)

Orbiting Planet Taylor: A Mother's Journey of Parenting a Child with Attention Deficit Disorder

**Lynn T Meade** (University of Arkansas)

The Birth of Silences: An Ethnography of Communication on Families of Addicts

**Kristi Acheson** (Arizona State University)

The Most Exciting Thing: Researcher Ethics and Personal Ethics

**Robert Ballard** (University of Denver)
Skinny Bones #126-774-835-29: Thin Gay Bodies Signifying a Modern Plague
Dr. Ragan Fox

Elections

(A) Report of Nominating Committee (Nick Trujillo for Melissa Aleman)
(B) Call for additional nominations for Secretary from the floor (Bob)
(C) Position statements from candidates
(D) Formal Voting (Written Ballot)
(E) Call for additional nominations for Vice-Chair Elect from the floor (Bob)
(F) Position Statements from candidates
(G) Formal voting (Written Ballot)

Secretary

Nominees: Shirley Drew, Pittsburg State University (elected)
           Keith Berry, University of Wisconsin, Superior

Vice-Chair Elect

Nominees: Patricia Sotirin, Michigan Tech University (elected)
           John Warren, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale

Call for Volunteers for 2007 Conference Submission Reviewers (25-30 total needed) (Stacy)

(A) Recording of volunteers
   Name
   Affiliation
   Contact Information (email and telephone number)
   Please note if you are a graduate student

Call for Volunteers for 2007 Division Awards Committee Members (6- 8 total needed) (Bob)

(A) Recording of volunteers
   Name
   Affiliation
   Contact Information (email and telephone number)
   Please note if you are a graduate student
Discussion Issues

(1) Awards for Top Papers
   (a) We should continue with Top Four Papers rather than having a Top Paper.
   (b) The Division should issue plaques to publication award winners, a paper certificate for Top Papers, and a cash award for the Top Student Paper. Officers will develop a plan to assess ratings to issue cash prize. Bob will examine budget for this year to issue a $60 check to our Top Student Paper award winner.

(2) Division members will use the listserv to nominate and discuss articles for the 400 "classic" articles published in NCA journals. A vote could occur on the Web site.

(3) Division should issue a call for nominations and self-nominations for our leadership positions and those nominations would be part of the pool considered by the Nominating Committee when they put forth their suggested candidates.

(4) Discussion of what happens when people choose to affiliate with the Division: more panel slots, newsletter appears via the Web site as a whole, and a wonderful collection of colleagues.

Additional Announcements (e.g., upcoming conferences)

* Amira De la Garza (Arizona State University) is teaching an emersion course in Texas. Contact her if you or your graduate students are interested.

* Job call announcements: see CRTNET and Spectra.

Recognition of Service/Transitions

IV. Adjourn