

ASA Trustees Meeting
October 26/28, 2011

1. President Paul Guyer presiding. Attending: Lopes, Robinson, Townsend, Feagin, Bacharach, Coplan, Davies, Irvin, Kania, Neill, Ross, & Shelley.

2. Consent agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Financial affairs:

A. Treasurer's report

Publishing income seemed to have dropped in 2010, but in fact this was just a matter of the timing of Wiley-Blackwell's accounting. In fact it has been at consistent levels. Emma Hennessey will attend our lunch meeting on Friday to discuss publishing matters, including income.

B. Recommendations from the finance committee

- i. Effective for 2013 memberships, reduce student membership fee to \$10 domestic/\$15 international. **Unanimously approved.**
- ii. Effective for 2012 annual meeting, cap on student travel reimbursement for speakers and commentators from \$750 to \$1250. **Unanimously approved.**
- iii. \$20 rebate for grad students on 2012 nightly room rate, for those staying in the official conference hotel. Robinson moved to amend the recommendation to \$30. Kania seconded. Amendment passed 7-6. **Recommendation as amended was unanimously approved.**
- iv. For 2012 meeting, on the recommendation of the program chair, \$300 reimbursement for students who submitted a paper but did not end up on the program as speakers or commentators. If extended to subsequent years, this is a one-time (lifetime) award. **Approved with one abstention.**
- v. Clarification: students are eligible for these awards as long as they do not seek double reimbursement for any expense. They may request an award even if eligible for travel funds from another source. Execution: we strike the parenthesis in item 4 of the Student Travel Grant Policy, and in item 3 we change "covered" to "reimbursed." **Approved unanimously.**
- vi. Townsend moved that we change the language of the Student Travel Grant Policy to include all students, not only graduate students. **Unanimously approved.** It was clarified that in all of the above policies, "student" includes both graduate and undergraduate students. Ross suggested that a mechanism be put in place to publicize these student-friendly initiatives. Include in the call for papers; publish in newsletter; web site; sent out on the AE list. Coplan suggested that we create a

poster to publicize these initiatives. This will be reserved for other business.

C. Budget approval

Budget distributed in advance was revised: Projected publishing budget for 2011 was decreased from \$240,000 to \$200,000. Travel budget increased from \$18,000 to \$28,000 in light of the above initiatives. Budget as revised was **approved unanimously**.

4. Trustee nominations

The following people will be invited to stand for election as trustee, with a term beginning in 2012. Moved by Irvin, seconded by Lopes. **Approved unanimously**. The nominees will be approached as soon as possible to obtain their consent.

5. Program chair

A slate of people will be invited to chair the program in 2013, in a ranked order. Moved by Townsend, seconded by Kania. **Approved unanimously**. The individuals will be approached in order until one accepts.

6. Wollheim lecturer

A nominee for the 2012 Wollheim lecturer was approved.. Moved by Lopes, seconded by David Davies. **Approved unanimously**. The nominee will be announced as soon as s/he accepts.

7. JAAC editor search

Search committee: president, past-president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer plus Alexander Nehamas & Taffy Ross.
Open to applications until Jan. 31, 2012.

8. ASAGE editorial transition

ASAGE board is Taffy Ross, Carolyn Korsmeyer and Phil Alperson plus Dabney Townsend, ex officio. They will oversee the editorial transition. Search committee will consist of the ASAGE board plus current editor Aili Bresnahan. The trustees will ratify the appointment suggested by the search committee.
Money can be made available for committee members and candidates to participate in interviews at Eastern ASA.

9. Projects and Grants

i. John Dyck proposal to fund graduate conference

We will offer up to \$2500 contingent on submission of a revised budget to Dabney. Motion was **approved with 2 abstentions**.

ii. Michael Kelly, *Encyclopedia of Aesthetics*

Neill moved (seconded by Lopes) to decline to fund the proposal. The motion failed on a 4-4 vote.

Davies motion (seconded by Kania): If we fund the proposal, under no circumstances will we provide over \$24,000. **Approved with one abstention.**
Ross motion (seconded by Townsend): Request a statement regarding how the proposed budget is affected by OUP's decision to provide a dedicated developmental editor. Convey that any funding would be contingent on free on-line access for all ASA members. **Approved with one abstention.**

iii. Dom Lopes Proposal to Revise the *Guide to Graduate Aesthetics in North America*
Irvin moves, Bacharach seconds approving the proposal as offered. **Approved with one abstention. Townsend absent during vote.**

iv. Consideration of further action on digitization project
Project is on schedule. No further action is required.

[Adjourned at 8:48 p.m.]

[Called to order Friday at 1:05 p.m.]

10. Emma Hennessey from Wiley-Blackwell presented information to the board.

9. ii. Further information about Kelly
Townsend (seconded by Guyer) moved that we convey to Kelly that we may be interested in providing funding for the project but we are not at this point committed to providing funding. We need further information and will continue to deliberate. **Motion carries 7-5 (one abstention).**

9. v. Hans Maes *Conversations on Aesthetics*
In 2010 we approved \$2500 contingent on a contract with OUP and a schedule of interviews. No further action is required.

10. Request for student affiliated organization from Savannah College of Art and Design (Atlanta Campus)
Lopes (Feagin second) moves that we politely decline the request.

11. Committee on the status of the profession
No action is required.

12. Other business

i. Member request for royalties from an earlier JAAC article.
Kania (Lopes seconds) moved that we instruct Dabney to convey to the member that the board stands behind Dabney's letter of Aug. 31, 2011, and that we regret that he has declined the offer of a 3-year membership. **The motion carried.**

ii. Diversity committee: Convey that the board does not control the annual meeting program, but the Diversity Committee can pay up to \$5000 for programming and request money if more is needed. No vote was taken.

	2011 Budget		proposed 2012 Budget			
	2011 Budget	2011 to 10-5-2011			2012	plus/minus
INCOME						
Member Contribution	0	40			0	0
Membership Income (including divisions)	60,000	41,291			60,000	0
Publishing Income	180,000	204,878			200,000	20,000
Sales	1,500	1,375			1,250	-250
Subvention	3,000	3,000			3,000	0
Misc. Income (California unclaimed property)	0	6,437			0	0
Total	244,500	257,021			264,250	
	2011 Budget	2011 to 10/5/2011	encumbered	4th Q est		
EXPENSES						
Accounting Fees	1,500	1,320	0	0	1,500	0
Annual Meeting	50,000	295	21,753	10,000	40,000	-10,000
ASAGE	6,665	3,327	2,350	0	8,000	1,335
Bank charges	2,750	1,924	0	826	2,750	0
Dues & Contributions	2,750	1,983	0	600	2,600	-150
Honoraria	30,400	20,300	10,100	0	30,400	0
Insurance	2,100	1,870	0	0	2,000	-100
Membership Expense (including divisions)			8,865	0	18,000	18,000
Eastern Division	0	659	2,185		3,000	
Rocky Mountain Division	0		1,021		4,000	
Pacific Division		8,762	5,659		11,000	
Office Expenses	20,000	12,276	3,900		19,600	-400
JAAC	15,600	11,700	3,900		15,600	0
National Office	4,400	576	0	3,424	4,000	-400
Printing & Postage	12,000	5,427	0		12,000	0
Prizes	2,500	321	2,250	1,000	3,850	1,350
Projects & Grants	50,000	8,341	21,659	0	50,000	0
		2,500	0	0		
Unsettled Boundaries Conference		5,000	0	0		
Diversity Initiative		841	4,159	0		
AeBooks			17,500	0		
Publishing Expense-Royalties	0	11,061	0	0	15,000	15,000
Salary	0	10,522	0	0	0	0
Travel	18,000	2,952	2,250	15,750	28,000	10,000
Web Site	1,000	385	0	615	1,000	0
estimated unencubered 4th quarter expnses				28,791		
Total	199,665	82,304	73,127	28,791	234,700	35,035
estimated surplus to be invested	72,799				29,550	