

Winter 2008

communications in brief

1) newsletter- ramotse (sorry for this spelling) and warachel will become co-editors. this will last as long as ramotse wants warachel aid. the hope is to get out a version now and maybe one in time for the apa annual meeting. there were continued discussion about virtues of going all electronic versus having a paper version. perhaps one solution, based on fiscal issues, would be to print them to hand out at meetings, but forego the cost of mailing them out. the issue of finances will dictate this to some degree- we will do what our finances allow.

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR CONTENT

2) journal- jackie is the new editor. YEAH!!!! we will now work on getting a renewed contract with springer between the aacp and the journal. the goal is to have the journal revamped and jackie is up to the task.

3) email- email problems seem to have plagued the board email list in planning for this conference. not sure why. its possible that server has been backed up (we use the pitt server). i have asked patrick to shift this email list to his server. there were no complaints about the email lists otherwise. there is some interest, led by walter, in trying to summarize some of the erudite email conversations we have. hopefully this will work.

4) website- use of the website varies from boardmember to boardmember. some find it indispensable and some dont use it. we suspect that the membership also have varying uses for it. our goal is to move into web 2.0 technology. this would include building in a social networking feature so that our members with shared interests can more easily find each other, using blogging and other interactive technology (such as online conferences, surveys etc), and develop the capacity to hang podcasts and presentations on the site (i am going to try to gather some of the presentations for a page on the winter meeting). obviously we are hampered by a lack of funds to generate these capacities, but will work with the executive to generate the necessary resources.

actions

- 1) continue production of newsletter- editors. please send content
- 2) pursue revamp of journal and renegotiate contract between aacp and springer- editor
- 3) move all aacp email lists to patricks computer, with his approval
- 4) investigate web 2.0 opportunities and cost them- patrick and ken
- 5) post presentations from winter meeting on website- slide and podcast if possible.

respectfully submitted

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