

Eastern Great Lakes Biblical Society

ANNUAL MEETING

Cambria Suites, Akron, OH

18–19 March 2021

BUSINESS MEETING

President Donna Laird, presiding

19 March 2021

9:00–9:45AM

AGENDA

1. Attendance: Attendance: Bart Bruehler, Jonathan Lawrence, Craig Tyson, Matthew Boersma, Donna Laird, Kelly Murphy, Susan Haddox, Jason Yuh, Michele Stopera Freyhauf, Peter Gosnell, Vicki Phillips, Paul Kim, Randall Webber, Kyle Dunham, Tucker Ferda, Charles Packer, Sheila McGinn, Rob von Thaden
2. Review and approval of minutes from 2019 Annual Meeting
 - a. Craig Tyson, Susan Haddox – motion to approve - passed
3. Review of Agenda
4. Reports from Section Chairs & Awarding of Student Paper Prizes (student prizes to be announced)
 - a. Alpha Christianity: Bruce Brooks
 - b. HB: Susan Haddox – 3 sessions, 11 papers
 - c. NT Section: Tucker Ferda – 3 sessions, 12 papers
 - d. Miscellany: Craig Tyson - 2 sessions, 8 papers
 - e. RRA: Vernon Robbins (Bart) – 2 presentations and group discussion - tomorrow
 - f. Student Activity Board: Michele Stopera Freyhauf – SBL staffing is changing
 - i. Matthew Boersma and Jason Yuh (nominated) on committee
5. Secretary–Treasurer’s Reports (if available)
 - a. Financial Report (by Regional Coordinator)
 - i. Reserves with SBL: \$5371.02 as of December 2021
 - ii. Annual Organizational Contributions: SBL: \$1500, CBA: \$400 (for student participation)
 - iii. Speaker / Regional Coordinator Expenses: about \$1000 plus Hotel and Supplies
 - iv. Meeting expenses covered by Registration fees; food budget estimated at Retired Rate - \$80 members, \$60 Student / Retired / Guest. (Was \$75/\$50/\$60/\$60) (2019 – 17 Students, rest Members)
 - v. Brief discussion about whether to increase the honorarium
 - vi. Motion to receive the report – Sheila McGinn, Rob Von Thaden - passed
6. Regional Coordinator’s Report – Paul Kim
 - a. Date and location of next annual meeting: TBA (see new business)
 - b. Report on financial issues: SBL balance, registration through SBL, increased rates
 - c. 2021: 70 attendees, 8 sessions, 31 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
 - d. 2020: cancelled due to the COVID-19 crisis
 - e. 2019: 62 attendees, 10 sessions, 33 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
 - f. 2018: 52 attendees, 8 sessions, 27 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
 - g. 2017: 59 attendees (+3 cancellations), 11 sessions, 33 papers, 1 poster, 2 panels, 2 plenaries
 - h. 2016: 50 attendees, 11 sessions, 29 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries

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- i. 2015: 61 attendees (+2 cancellations), 12 sessions, 32 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
- j. 2014: 52 attendees, 8 sessions, 21 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
- k. 2013: 83 attendees, 9 sessions, 31 papers, 1 panel, 2 plenaries
- l. the online meeting has made a large attendance possible
- m. motion to cover costs for Bart to take the IWU staff to lunch - approved

7. *Conversations* Editor's Report – Susan Haddox

- a. Report on submissions – 7 submissions plus book panel - about 168 pages
 - i. Planning to go to all-electronic publication after this issue – there are fewer subscriptions now for the print edition
- b. Report on finances – with Sheila's term ending, finances will be transferred out of JCU – looking to see if SBL can take on the journal – or come up with another option
- c. Our best income now is the ATLAS royalties – averaging \$1750 – more than our peak of \$1600 in past
- d. Some of our subscribers are journal exchange – no income for those
- e. Motions: (Craig Tyson, Susan Haddox) – passed with one abstention
 - i. Extend Sheila McGinn's term for one year to complete the transfer
 - ii. Go fully online
- f. Editorial Board Meeting schedule

8. Election of New Officers

- a. Archivist: Sheila McGinn (2019–2022)
- b. Associate Editors of *Conversations*
 - i. HB: Noah Bickart (2018–2021; 1st term)
 - ii. NT: Rob von Thaden (2018–2021)
 - iii. HB/Arch: Kelly Murphy (2020–2023; 2nd Term)
 - iv. NT: Peter Gosnell (2020–2023; 1st term)
 - v. HB: Craig Tyson (2019–2022, 2nd Term)
 - vi. NT: Vicki Phillips (2019–2022)
- c. Executive Secretary: Jonathan Lawrence (2019-2022)
- d. Membership Secretary: Keith Yoder (2020–2023, 1st Term)
- e. Nominations Committee: Bart Bruehler (2019–2022, Chair for 2019–2020) Paul Kim (2018–2021), Robert von Thaden, Jr. (2017–2020)
- f. President-candidate: Craig Tyson (2020–2021)
- g. VP-elect: Kelly Murphy (2021–22)
- h. Assistant Regional Coordinator: _____ (Paul will recruit someone)
- i. SBL Regional Scholar Award Nominations Committee:
 - i. Robert von Thaden, Jr. (2017–2020), Kelly Murphy (2018–2021), Peter Gosnell (2019-2022)
- j. Student Advisory Committee Student Representatives
 - i. Ryan Replogle (2017-2020) □ Jason Yuh (2020-2023)
 - ii. Matt Boersma (2019–2022)
 - iii. Michele Stopera Freyhauf, Student Co-chair & SBL SAB Representative (2019–2022)
- k. Web & Social Media Committee
 - i. E-Commerce: _____ / Social Media: _____ / Web Manager: _____
 - ii. Seek some student volunteers? President will recruit some volunteers
 - iii. One of the other regions has been doing “minute with a scholar” videos

9. Continuing Officers

- a. Annual Meeting Coordinator: Paul Kim (2018–2021; 1st Term)

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- b. Conversations Editor: Susan Haddox (2018–2021; 1st Term)
- 10. Vote to approve the slate of officers – approved (came from Nominations committee)

11. Resolutions of Thanks

- a. SBL and CBA and Indiana Wesleyan University (IWU for online conference support)
 - i. Bart plans to do something to thank the IWU staff too
- b. Publishers
- c. JCU, University of Mount Union, & MTSO for office support
- d. Craig Tyson and Rob von Thaden – motion - approved

12. New Business

- a. #Black Scholars Matter Task Force (at SBL) – see emails from SBL
 - i. Craig Tyson spoke about putting together a panel or other special program for next year's meeting – we should talk over the summer about the plans
 - ii. Vicki Phillips and Randall Weber are interested in helping with the planning
 - b. Meeting locations: Hotel for meeting and lodging vs. Campus for meeting and Hotel for lodging (2021 was co-sponsored by Indiana Wesleyan University, for virtual online)
 - i. Check first with the Cambria hotel if we go in-person
 - c. Collaborations with AAR regional constituents
 - d. Plans/Options for 2020 cancelled regional meeting (e.g., officers, keynote/presidential addresses, CBW publication, etc.)
 - e. Plans for 2022 meeting: **March 17-18, 2022**
 - f. Electronic e-program books and similar options (app) for future meetings
 - i. Keeping it electronic for the program book was easier
 - g. We still have the 2020 50th anniversary notebooks – it would be nice to do something next year for the anniversary
 - i. We have the 40th anniversary component – if someone can help update – and we can do pictures / slide show – send files to Sheila, Jonathan can help with slide show
 - h. Questionnaire will be sent about next year's meetings
- Motion to adjourn - Craig, Bart – approved 9:52 am.