

Oklahoma Sociological Association

Unapproved Minutes

Oklahoma Sociological Association, Business Meeting, November 5, 2004
The University of Central Oklahoma

OSA President Dr. Gary Steward, Jr. called the 2004 business meeting to order at 9:00am.

President Steward expressed to UCO faculty, staff, and students who assisted with the planning and operation of the meeting.

Dr. Kelly Damphousse discussed the 2003 OSA meeting minutes they were approved.

Dr. Monica Varner read the treasurer's report it was approved.

Free Inquiry Report- Dr. John Cross, Editor.

J. Cross reported a current balance of \$5089.90 with costs for printing/binding, posting/ mailing, totaling \$3389.35 leaving a balance of \$1700.55. The November estimated costs were \$2270, leaving a negative balance of -\$569.45 Dr. Cross addressed the financial issues and that further discussion and decision will need to be made concerning the increased costs of the journal.

The appointment of a Board of Advisors was discussed by Dr. Steward. The purpose of the board is to serve as a liaison, assist executive council, and have input in the annual meeting. By a vote of "Y" it was approved to continue to explore this issue and discuss the board at the next annual meeting.

The development of a nominating committee was discussed by Dr. Steward. By a vote of "Y" it was approved that Dr. Holley, Dr. Cross, Dr. Newcomb, and Dr. Decker would explore this issue and report back at the next annual meeting.

New Business

Nominating Committee – There was discussion of the next slate of officers.

Dr. Donna Barlow was nominated as President Elect.

Dr. Monica Varner was confirmed as the Secretary/Treasurer (2 year term).

Dr. Steward moved to accept slate and association approved with a unanimous "Y."

President Gary Steward announced the next annual meeting would be held at the University of Oklahoma. President Elect Dr. Kelly Damphousse shared that the theme would be Religion and Democracy. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Jay Demerath, Professor of Sociology from the University of Massachusetts.

The 2004 annual business meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Monica Varner, OSA Secretary/Treasurer