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LSA News

The **2009 Annual Meeting** has been moved to San Francisco, California, due to an ongoing labor dispute at the Portland Hilton. The dates—8-11 January, 2009—remain the same. The host hotel will be the Hilton San Francisco, and the same excellent room rate--\$99/night single or double, \$129/night triple or quad—has been secured. More information is at http://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual.cfm.

Alyson Reed joins the LSA as its new Executive Director, effective 16 July 2008. Prior to joining the LSA, she served as Executive Director of the National Postdoctoral Association, a professional society representing postdoctoral scholars. Ms. Reed is an experienced non-profit manager and executive, having previously served as the Executive Director of the Maryland Commission for Women and of the National Committee on Pay Equity. She has also worked in senior management and policy posts at the National Kidney Foundation and the American College of Nurse-Midwives. Early in her career, Ms. Reed worked as a radio news reporter for an NPR affiliate in upstate New York, and also as a Project Manager for the League of Women Voters. In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Reed earned a Masters degree in Public Policy and Women's Studies from the George Washington University and a Bachelor's degree in English Literature from SUNY-Binghamton. She resides in University Park, Maryland.

Greg Carlson (http://www.ling.rochester.edu/people/carlson/carlson.html) (U Rochester) has agreed to stand for election as Editor of *Language* for a seven-year term beginning in 2009. Carlson received his Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1977, and a Masters in Linguistics from the University of Iowa in 1974. He specializes in semantics, focusing on the meanings of generic noun phrases and generic and habitual sentences; he also has worked extensively on theories of language processing, on the nature of thematic roles, and on other topics. At the University of Rochester since 1987, he is Professor of Linguistics, Philosophy, and Brain & Cognitive Sciences and served as Linguistics Department Chair for ten years. Carlson has been a member of the LSA since 1972, has served as consultant to the Program Committee, and is currently on the Nominating Committee; he taught at the 1987 Linguistics Summer Institute. He is a former editor of the journal *Linguistics and Philosophy*.

Slate of Candidates for 2009

The Nominating Committee has submitted the following slate of members to stand for election in September-December 2008:

Vice President/President-Elect: David Lightfoot (National Science Foundation)

Executive Committee (2 at-large seats): Christopher Potts (U Massachusetts Amherst), Jeffrey T. Runner (U Rochester), Leslie Saxon (U Victoria), and Rachel Walker (U Southern California)

In addition, the Executive Committee has nominated Greg Carlson (U Rochester) to serve as Editor of Language.

For the LSA guidelines on committee nominations, please see the LSA Constitution, Article IV at http://lsadc.org/info/lsa-const.cfm.

If ten or more members separately and in writing nominate any additional personal member for any position by **9** July 2008, that name will be added to the ballots submitted to the members. Nominations should be sent to: Nominating Committee, Linguistic Society of America, 1325 18th St, NW, Suite 211, Washington, DC 20036-6501.

Online voting in the annual LSA elections will begin September 1 and will close on November 8.

A brief biographical summary and statement for each candidate is included below.

Biographical Summaries and Statements

Candidate for Vice President/President-Elect (1-year term, with two additional years on the Executive Committee as President and Past President)

David W. Lightfoot (<u>http://nsf.gov/staff/staff_bio.jsp?lan=dlightfo&org=SBE&from_org=SBE&from=staff</u>) received a B.A. in Classics from the University of London in 1966 and a Ph.D. in Linguistics from the University of Michigan in 1971. His awards include a Fulbright Scholarship, a Ford Foundation Fellowship, an American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, three National Science Foundation research grants, and various local research grants.

Dr. Lightfoot writes mainly on syntactic theory, language acquisition, and historical change, which he views as intimately related. He argues that internal language change is contingent and fluky, takes place in a sequence of bursts, and is best viewed as the cumulative effect of changes in individual grammars, where a grammar is a "language organ" represented in a person's mind/brain and embodying his/her language faculty. That, in turn, entails a non-standard view of language acquisition as "cue-based". He has published eleven books, most recently The Development of Language (Blackwell, 1999), Syntactic Effects of Morphological Change (ed.) (Oxford UP, 2002), The Language Organ (with S.R. Anderson) (Cambridge UP, 2002) and How New Languages Emerge (Cambridge UP, 2006). He has also written more than 100 articles, book chapters and reviews. He is general editor for the Generative Syntax series published by Blackwell and serves on the linguistics editorial board at Cambridge University Press. In 2004 he was elected a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and in 2006 a fellow of the Linguistic Society of America.

Dr. Lightfoot has held regular professorial appointments at McGill University, where he taught many undergraduates who went on to become major figures in linguistics and psychology: Mark Baltin, Alan Prince, Michael Rochemont, Alison Gopnik, Elan Dresher, Norbert Hornstein, Amy Weinberg, Renée Baillargeon, Elizabeth Cowper; the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands; and at the University of Maryland, where he established and chaired, for 12 years, a new Department of Linguistics with a unique focus, viewing linguistics as

the study of the human language organ. He was also the Associate Director of the Neuroscience and Cognitive Sciences Program there. In 2001, he moved to Georgetown University as Dean of the Graduate School. In addition, he has held short-term appointments at universities in Austria, Brazil, Canada, Germany, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. In 2005, he became Assistant Director of the National Science Foundation, heading the Directorate of Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences.

Candidates for 2 At-Large Seats on the Executive Committee (3-year term)

Christopher Potts (http://people.umass.edu/potts/index.shtml) received his B.A. in Linguistics from NYU in 1999 and his Ph.D. in Linguistics from UC Santa Cruz in 2003. Since 2003, he has been Assistant Professor of Linguistics at UMass Amherst. He has taught at the New York Institute for Cognitive and Cultural Studies in St. Petersburg, Russia, and at the LSA Summer Institute (Stanford, 2007). He is on the editorial boards for Journal of Semantics, Linguistics & Philosophy, Natural Language Semantics, and the new eLanguage journal Semantics & Pragmatics, where he is also a technical advisor. At present, he is the Principal Investigator on an NSF grant to study the semantics and pragmatics of expressive content, and he is a Co-PI on an interdisciplinary MURI grant involving linguists, computer scientists, and roboticists.

Statement:

Linguistics is well-positioned to thrive in the current scientific and educational environment, and I would like to see the LSA work to capitalize on this opportunity. The pressing issues of globalization place language endangerment in the spotlight, which means that the case for supporting fieldwork is easier to make than ever before. The centrality of the Web to daily communication puts a massive amount of new data at our fingertips, and it makes the ability to process and systematize that data all the more valuable. The field's renewed emphasis on experimental approaches brings it more squarely into the cognitive sciences. And, in the coming years, language will be increasingly important to research in anthropology, computer science, psychology, sociology, and theoretical biology, among others. All these factors favor the growth of our field.

These efforts begin with education. Here again, the case for linguistics is clear and strong. The Association of American Colleges and Universities recently surveyed business leaders to find out what they value in prospective employees

(http://aacu.org/press_room/press_releases/2008/business_leader_poll.cfm). The results read like an advertisement for a linguistics education. According to the study, employers value broad cultural awareness and sensitivity to issues concerning globalization, and they seek out college graduates who are skilled in analytic reasoning and able to balance quantitative analysis with creative approaches to problem solving. This mixed emphasis on skills from the sciences and the humanities is almost unique to linguistics. If we make employers aware of what our students have to offer (dispelling old notions about the practical value of a linguistics education in the process), then demand will rise. In the current business-oriented climate of U.S. higher education, this will furnish a powerful argument for building up existing programs and for starting new ones.

Funding will be a major issue in the coming years. Our research questions are more ambitious than ever before. With these new efforts come new costs --- just when federal funding agencies are seeing their budgets cut dramatically. I believe that the LSA can be an influential advocate for supporting linguistic research, and I believe it can help researchers find and create new funding opportunities. In general, the Society has made significant progress in increasing the impact of linguistics in recent years, with, for example, its content-rich website, its eLanguage initiative, and its forceful arguments for language preservation. The changes have all been forward-looking and geared towards increasing the relevance of linguistics, and I would like to see the trends continue at an even greater pace.

Jeffrey T. Runner (http://www.ling.rochester.edu/people/runner/runner.html) has a BA in Linguistics from UC Santa Cruz (1989) and PhD from UMass-Amherst (1995). He is an associate professor of Linguistics and Brain & Cognitive Sciences at the University of Rochester, and also serves as the Curriculum Director for the Susan B. Anthony Institute for Gender and Women's Studies. His teaching has been recognized with the University's Goergen Award for Distinguished Achievement and Artistry in Undergraduate Education. In his research he

investigates formal syntactic characteristics of phrase/clause structure from a variety of perspectives, including experimental methodologies, such as visual world eye-tracking. His interests include constraints on coreference ("binding") and ellipsis interpretation, using eye-tracking to examine both the structural and non-structural factors that influence listeners' anaphoric reference resolution.

Statement:

I have been a member of the LSA since I began graduate school in 1989. Even in that relatively short amount of time I have witnessed many changes, mostly positive ones. For example, submitting an abstract to the Annual Meeting is much easier (despite a few glitches here and there)—gone are the days of literally cutting and pasting your abstract into a small box. It is clear that much work has been put into the LSA website as well. It will be important for the LSA to continue to advance on the technological front. One example would be making the LSA bulletin a truly on-line interactive presence. Its current PDF format is accessible, but does not exploit hyperlinks to the extent it could if it were designed to be part of the website. A second example is the journal, *Language*. It is a real improvement to handle submissions and reviews via email. However, many journals (and conference sites) are taking advantage of technology that makes it even easier for everyone involved to follow the progress of an article as it goes through the review process. As anyone who has a professional web presence knows (these days that includes most academics), keeping up with the technology takes work; but it is vital to do so, and it is important that the LSA continues its improvements

Public face, Pipeline, Outreach.

A challenge we as linguists have always faced is how to talk about linguistics as a field. This is critical for our wellbeing as a discipline. It matters when we need to talk to the university administration, to our colleagues in related departments, when we advise students (and talk to their parents). Here are some ideas for addressing the issue.

Public Face. From a publicity perspective, every time linguistics turns up in the media, the field has a chance to get some exposure. The LSA's Linguistics, Language and the Public award recognizes work that has already made an impact. We can also be more proactive, by working with publishers, for example, to identify talented linguist writers whose writing can further enhance the public's knowledge and sophistication about what we do. While this may not seem particularly academic, it really is. Building a positive public face is an integral part of our academic mission. This is especially important given the fact that high schools do not generally expose students to the discipline and we are dependent on the interest about the field that is generate in colleges and in the press. Administrators and high school students are equally sensitive to public representations of scientific work.

Pipeline. My colleagues and I have noticed a subtle shift in recent years—more high school students coming into the university already interested in studying linguistics. This is a positive change that we need to do our best to build on. In addition to increasing public awareness of linguistics as a discipline, we can work with administrators and related programs, such as English and Foreign Languages, to help them understand how it can improve their student training to add some linguistic sophistication to their programs. This will eventually end up making high school teachers more confident and sophisticated themselves in their understanding of the linguistic side of language teaching, resulting inevitably in younger students catching the "bug". Another angle is to educate ourselves, our colleagues and our students (and their parents) about career opportunities available for linguistics students, which nowadays includes opportunities to work in industry as well as research and teaching. The LSA can continue to improve materials available for interested students, perhaps working with high school and college counselors, as well as advisers in linguistics programs.

Outreach. Most universities are struggling with the challenges of being more inclusive and diverse. We as a field have done better than some with respect to gender, though we still have room to improve. It is clear that we face the same challenges as other fields in increasing the participation of underrepresented minorities at all levels—from undergraduates, to graduate students, and through all levels of faculty and administration. The LSA as a body can take a leading role in addressing this issue. The fact that underrepresented minorities often include speakers of minority and/or endangered language varieties gives linguistics a unique opportunity. By supporting and enhancing the value of minority and endangered language variety research we can indirectly create a pipeline into scientific research for underrepresented minorities. This could further develop the Hale model of providing academic and other opportunities for native speaker linguists.

This is an exciting time in linguistics, with advancements in technology and methodologies allowing linguists to collect, analyze and store data in new ways. My own research has become increasingly interdisciplinary and my sense is that this is becoming more common. A challenge for us will be not only to continue to take advantage of such interdisciplinary research opportunities, but also to help the researchers in our sister disciplines understand the value that our own language research can have for them.

Leslie Saxon (http://web.uvic.ca/ling/faculty/saxon.htm) studied Linguistics at the University of Toronto before doing her doctorate at the University of California, San Diego (1986). She is associate professor and out-going chair (2003-2008) in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Victoria. She has taught at Memorial University of Newfoundland (1984-1991), the University of Victoria (1991-present), and in community-directed teacher education programs of Aurora College, Northwest Territories, Canada, where she also was taught a great deal. Over the years she has organized many workshops and conferences and has been elected to committee positions with the Canadian Linguistic Association (CLA) and the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA). She was the president of SSILA in 2007.

Her work, supported at different times by SSHRC grants and/or community contracts, has been focussed particularly on topics in Athabaskan (pronouns, complementation, clause structure, comparative and diachronic studies), combined with a range of community-based projects, most recently an on-line dictionary of Dogrib (in progress) (<u>http://tlicho.ling.uvic.ca</u>).

Statement:

The LSA can play an important role in promoting the significance of language, languages, language study, and linguistic study for the improvement of human conditions around the world. Because language touches on so many aspects of life and therefore involves interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research, it is important that the LSA continue to foster connections between linguists and other scholars. In times when departments of linguistics may be threatened within academia, it is a service to do whatever is in our power to train our students broadly so that their options are wide open. And it is important for the LSA to support the professional formation of students.

Co-operation and support across North American borders could be helpful with these aims, a number of which are furthered through the annual winter and summer meetings and the summer institutes. Though the contexts are definitely different and there are many existing international linkages, it might be possible for the LSA and, for example, the Canadian Linguistic Association to sponsor an event jointly or otherwise co-operate. Both of these organizations, I believe, are striving to be more communicative with their memberships and more inclusive of all sub-disciplines, and there may be ways to share ideas or pursue these goals in tandem.

Most LSA members are acutely aware of the effects of language shift and loss around the world. Supporting language revitalization means supporting community-driven teaching and research in addition to teaching and research based in academia. I see two mechanisms the LSA can pursue. (1) The LSA has a continuing role to play in publicizing and sponsoring scholarly and activist initiatives and events that highlight the central roles of language (including minority and endangered languages) in our social, scientific, cultural, and political world. If prestige and money, besides spirit and imagination, are needed to move community and academic language revitalization efforts forward, the LSA can put its name and efforts in harness for this cause. (2) The c.v.s of action researchers and others engaged in community-based research sometimes look different from traditional researchers. The LSA can compile evaluation documents for tenure/ promotion and salary, and from them develop materials to aid departments and granting agencies in recognizing the value of activist and community scholarship.

Rachel Walker (<u>http://www-rcf.usc.edu/~rwalker/</u>) (MA, U Toronto, 1993; PhD, UC Santa Cruz, 1998) is an Associate Professor of Linguistics at the University of Southern California, where she has taught since 1998. Dr. Walker's research is in phonology and its interfaces with phonetics and morphology. Theoretical issues surrounding patterns of long-distance assimilation and reduplication, and their interaction with loci of prosodic prominence, serve as a significant area of focus, one which she has approached through case studies in Bantu, Altaic, and Romance languages. She has published in *Language, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, Phonology, Journal of the International Phonetic Association, Language and Cognitive Processes*, has authored *Nasalization, Neutral Segments and Opacity Effects* (Garland), and serves on the editorial board of *Natural Language and Linguistic*

Theory and *Language and Linguistics Compass* (Phonetics and Phonology). She is a member of the Linguistic Society of America, the Canadian Linguistic Association, and the Acoustical Society of America. Dr. Walker served on the LSA's Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL) from 2005-2007 (co-chair 2006-2007, chair 2007-2008). COSWL projects under direction during her term as chair were the (co-)organization of a Survival Skills workshop at the LSA Institute and a graduate student workshop at the LSA Annual Meeting. She also initiated the development of a web-based survey of LSA members on challenges facing women in linguistics. At USC, as Director of Graduate Admissions in Linguistics, Dr. Walker has developed outreach efforts for prospective students from under-represented groups.

Statement:

Chairing the Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics led me to a richer understanding of various needs and concerns of LSA members. The following are areas I believe should figure among the LSA's priorities in coming years, and as a member of the Executive Committee I would give them high priority.

Building on interdisciplinarity

Linguistics finds diverse points of contact with other disciplines. To solidify its impact in academic circles and elsewhere, the LSA should both forge and strengthen ties with sister organizations, e.g., in psychology, modern languages, philosophy, computer and information science, acoustics, speech and hearing, and so on. This will enhance the visibility of the field, facilitate the formation of research connections between linguistics and other disciplines, and improve support for linguists already working in interdisciplinary directions. It may expand access to job opportunities. It will also help provide for a larger consortium to stand behind issues of importance to linguists.

Examining effects of diverse career trajectories

Not all linguists are academics employed in a linguistics department, or students pursuing this goal. Many linguists are appointed in other departments or programs or pursue non-academic careers. There are common interests that cross-cut linguists across disciplines, careers, and career stages; there are also important differences that go widely unexamined. To improve service to its members, the LSA should identify issues of significance to its members and their relation to career paths, collecting information through a survey or by other means, such as organized workshops. This has potential to call out important issues for academics within any department, including those in a department where linguistics is less prominent or well-supported, and also for those who may be isolated from a linguistic community in a non-academic work-place. Bringing these matters to the forefront would identify underserved areas that the LSA should address. An improved understanding of linguists' career paths would also place the LSA in a position to reach out to a wider membership and better inform students about career options. In addition, the information gathered could form a basis for an initiative to re-tool aspects of the LSA Annual Meeting to widen its relevance and appeal.

Public awareness and outreach

A challenge that linguistics faces is the general public's lack of knowledge about the field and its role in enriching their connections to language. The LSA should play a leadership role in raising awareness about linguistics and stimulating interest in the field, both before students enter college and in their early undergraduate years. I support emphasizing the LSA's missions in these areas: for example, expanding existing efforts to communicate to undergraduates (and students at other levels) that the study of linguistics leads to viable careers, it interfaces with fields across the sciences, arts, and humanities, and it is essential to technological advances in language and communication.

Candidate for Editor of Language (7-year term)

Greg Carlson (http://www.ling.rochester.edu/people/carlson/carlson.html) received his Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1977, and a M.A. in Linguistics from the University of Iowa in 1974. He specializes in semantics, paying special attention to the meanings of generic noun phrases and generic and habitual sentences; he also has worked extensively on theories of language processing, and on the nature of thematic roles, publishing widely on all these topics. He has taught at the University of Rochester since 1987. Carlson has been a member of the LSA since 1972, has served as consultant to the Program Committee and on the Nominating Committee, and taught at the 1987 Linguistic Institute. He is a former editor of the journal *Linguistics and Philosophy*.

Minutes of LSA Executive Committee Meeting, 10 May 2008

Jurys Washington Hotel, Washington, DC

PRESENT: Stephen Anderson (Acting President), Sally Thomason (Vice President/President-Elect), Paul Chapin (Secretary-Treasurer), Jennifer Cole, Michael Frank, Alice Harris, Monica Macaulay, Johanna Nichols, Catherine Ringen, Tom Wasow.

ABSENT: Ellen Prince (President)

GUESTS: Donna Christian (Audit Committee Chair), Chris Kennedy (Program Committee Chair), Brian Joseph (Editor, *Language*), Dieter Stein (Editor-in-Chief, *eLanguage*), Katha Kissman (Interim Executive Director), David Robinson (Director of Membership and Meetings), Alyson Reed (incoming Executive Director)

Motions of Approval

The agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

The minutes of the January 2008 meeting were unanimously approved subject to the correction of typos.

President's Business

Steve Anderson, as Acting President, thanked the Secretariat staff for its hard work during the last five months of challenge and transition.

Steve Anderson also welcomed the new Executive Director of LSA, Alyson Reed. Her official start date will be July 16, 2008.

Steve Anderson provided an update on Ellen Prince. In a recent phone conversation, Ellen has notified Steve that she will not be able to assume the responsibilities of the LSA Presidency for 2008.

Ways in which the LSA could establish and strengthen reciprocal relations with other societies were also discussed. Further discussion on this topic was tabled to later in the meeting agenda.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Verification of E-mail Ballots

The following votes were conducted via E-mail since the January 2008 meeting.

January 18: The Executive Committee approved by E-mail the appointment of Emily Bender as LSA liaison to the Association for Computational Linguistics.

January 23: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail the move of its May meeting to May 10-11 in Washington, DC.

February 1: The Executive Committee approved the appointment of Sali Tagliamonte to the Program Committee for a 3-year term (2010).

February 16: The Executive Committee approved by E-mail the drawdown from the LSA endowment in the amount of \$51,425, to meet a number of significant expenses that exceed our current balances in liquid accounts.

February 19: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail closing the LSA accounts at PNC Bank and M&T Bank, and moving our assets from those accounts into Eagle Bank.

February 22: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail a fee increase from \$145.00 to \$160.00 in 2009 for subscription memberships of foreign institutions/libraries which do not provide a U.S. "ship-to" address for the shipping of *Language*.

February 26: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail Emeritus status for Gunnel Tottie.

March 1: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail the appointments of Emily Nava and Judith Parker to the Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL).

March 6: The Executive Committee approved by E-mail the appointment of Kristen Syrett to the Committee on Membership Services and Information Technology (COMSIT).

March 7: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail the proposal from the Program Committee for plenary speakers and special sessions at the 2009 Annual Meeting. Subsequent discussion and a decline changed this, with EC approval. For details, see the Program Committee report.

March 31: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail the constitution of the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award Committee for the current cycle (2008) as Alice Harris, Chair, Peter Culicover and B. Elan Dresher.

April 14, 2008: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail appointing Jeff Reaser, North Carolina State University, to serve on the Language in the School Curriculum Committee through 2009.

April 21: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail the revised "Procedure for Approval of New LSA Webpages and Modules."

April 29, 2008: The Executive Committee approved via E-mail offering the position of Executive Director to Alyson Reed. Katha Kissman was authorized on behalf of the Executive Committee to negotiate compensation and start date.

The motion to verify all E-mail ballots passed unanimously.

E-mail vs. In-person Meetings

Conducting Executive Committee business and votes by E-mail versus in-person meetings was discussed. It was the

majority opinion that following the current practice of conducting Executive Committee business and votes by Email rather than waiting until the next in-person meeting was the most efficient and cost-effective means available at the present time. The EC endorsed Paul Chapin's methodology of presenting issues by E-mail to the Executive Committee members with a stated deadline for response, and in the absence of response, inferring consent.

Membership Report

An updated report on memberships for 2008 was provided. Total memberships to date in all categories are 4,221. Total members for calendar year 2007 were 4,242. There has been a dramatic increase in Regular and Student memberships over last year due to the diligent work done by the Secretariat. However, the Institutional/Library memberships are down by approximately 54%. Because Institutional/Library memberships are charged a higher rate than Regular and Student memberships, this represents a significant decrease in revenue for FY08. This decrease may be in part due to the failure of the Secretariat to conduct a formalized membership push in late 2007 for 2008. It also may be due in part to the trend of institutions and libraries to get access to journals online via Project MUSE rather than through a subscription for hard copies. The Secretariat staff is now working diligently to reach out to lapsed Institutional/Library members.

Policies for membership assistance grants

Currently, membership assistance is provided to individuals by approval of the Secretary-Treasurer with support through the Membership Assistance Fund. The policy has been to provide membership assistance (i.e., a yearly membership) to individuals upon request on a case-by-case basis. Those granted membership assistance receive all benefits of membership (online access, discounts on meeting registrations) except for a hard copy of *Language*. Instead, the copy of *Language* is sent to the host institutions of those individuals receiving membership assistance.

Paul Chapin raised the issue of whether or not it is desirable to continue this practice. First, it was reported that tracking this and ensuring that the host institution rather than the member receive *Language* is difficult through our current website database configuration. Second, he raised the question that there may need to be a more defined set of criteria for how the decision to grant membership assistance is applied. After discussion, it was agreed that Paul will provide the Executive Committee with a recommendation for this policy at the January 2009 meeting.

Memberships - Calendar Year vs. Fiscal Year

The Secretariat staff prepared a recommendation for the Executive Committee's review regarding the alignment of the membership year (calendar) to the fiscal year (October through September) due to the challenges of financial reconciliation. Discussion raised the alternate possibility of aligning it in an opposite manner, i.e., alignment of the fiscal year to the membership year or going to a revolving membership structure (individually by anniversary date). It was agreed that the current system is not optimal and Alyson Reed and David Robinson were charged with researching and recommending the best model to be implemented in 2009.

Report of the Finance Committee

- a. Paul Chapin presented on behalf of the Finance Committee the FY08 budget and FY09 budgets for Executive Committee approval. Copies of both budgets with accompanying assumptions had been previously circulated to the full Executive Committee. The motion to accept both passed unanimously.
- b. Paul Chapin presented on behalf of the Finance Committee the revised Financial Policies and Procedures Manual (FPPM) subject to minor changes (i.e., the deletion of references to QuickBooks, modification of references to an Investment Advisor, addition of the Maggie W. Reynolds Fund to the list of restricted funds, and a change to add the Acting President to the references of President). Copies of the revised FPPM had been

previously circulated to the full Executive Committee. The motion to approve the revised FPPM passed unanimously.

- c. Paul Chapin presented on behalf of the Finance Committee a recommendation to open a line of credit for LSA at Eagle Bank and at Smith Barney for the purpose of covering temporary operational cash flow needs. Motion to approve passed unanimously.
- d. Paul Chapin reported that Terry Langendoen's term as the LSA Investment Advisor ended in January 2008 and that he has been appropriately thanked for his service. Dr. Chapin stated his view that the appointment of a new LSA Investment Advisor is not currently needed. He noted that not appointing one would be contrary to the Constitution as currently written and suggested a change to the constitution as follows:

4. There shall be a Finance Committee composed of the Secretary-Treasurer, who will serve as Chair, the President, Vice President/President-Elect, and the immediate Past President. One additional member person shall may be appointed to the committee by the Secretary-Treasurer, in consultation with the Finance Committee, to serve as Investment Advisor. The Committee shall have the responsibility for recommending fiscal policy to the Executive Committee and for overseeing the financial affairs of the Society. The Committee shall meet at least twice each year in conjunction with the meetings of the Executive Committee.

Offering Annual Meeting Plenary Speakers Complimentary LSA Memberships.

At the suggestion of the Program Committee and Paul Chapin, a recommendation to extend to every confirmed plenary speaker for the Annual Meeting a year's complimentary membership in LSA was made. For people who are already members, that will excuse them from paying dues for one year (the year in which they address the Annual Meeting in January). Motion to approve this recommendation was passed unanimously.

Revision of Automatic Life Membership After 40 Years Policy

The recommendations of the subcommittee were as follows:

1) Article II, section 3 of the Constitution shall be amended to read:

Any member who has paid dues for fifty years will be granted a complimentary Life membership in the Society, and is thereafter exempt from payment of dues.

2) A new paragraph 3 shall be added to the Bylaws pursuant to Article II, MEMBERSHIP (renumbering the later paragraphs), reading:

Until December 31, 2012, any member who has paid dues for forty years will be granted a complimentary Life Membership in the Society, and is thereafter exempt from payment of dues.

3) Until January 1, 2013, the Constitution as posted on the web site will include a bracketed note -- not part of the "official" text of the constitution, but plainly visible, right after the new Article II, Section 3:

['*N.B.: Until December 31, 2012, the provision for automatic Life Membership will continue to apply to any member who has paid dues for **forty** years.]

Motion to accept the recommendations of the subcommittee was approved unanimously.

Audit Committee Report

Donna Christian, as Chair for the Audit Committee, reported on the process of the FY07 audit. Bill Astrab and Andrew Henderson from Thompson, Greenspon & Co., P.C., presented the draft audit report and draft management letter to the Audit Committee on May 8 and again to the Finance Committee with Donna present on May 9. The auditors will prepare final documents for the Audit Committee's final approval no later than May 23. In addition, the auditors reported that while an extension had been filed for the Form 990, they also intended to finalize and file that document by May 23 as well. Donna noted that the audit process had been delayed for the FY07 audit due to the leadership transition at the Secretariat but reported that the process will be back on schedule for the FY08 audit.

<u>Language</u>

Brian Joseph presented a written and verbal report regarding *Language*. He made a recommendation that LSA member and attorney Paul Newman be designated Special Advisor for Intellectual Property Issues for the LSA in recognition of Paul's pro bono work to provide LSA with significant advice and counsel. It was so moved and passed unanimously. Steve Anderson will write an appropriate letter to Paul and this will be so noted on the LSA website.

Brian also requested clarification of his request to produce a monograph under the auspices of the LSA. It was noted that as Editor, he had the right to do such without Executive Committee review or permission.

It was asked whether the new NIH policy requiring PubMed publication of all NIH-grant-supported papers will have any impact on *Language*'s copyright rights. Brian will check on this with Paul Newman.

The EC discussed a proposal from Springer-Verlag to take over publication of *Language*. EC members raised a variety of cautions concerning the proposal. It was decided to wait until a new Editor and a new Executive Director are in place to explore the options further.

<u>eLanguage</u>

Dieter Stein presented a written and verbal report regarding *eLanguage*. Dieter highlighted the *eLanguage* website statistics from his written report– how many "hits" the website had had and how long people stayed on the website (the Germans stayed the longest, an average of just over 5 minutes), etc. He also recommended having Google ads on the book notices pages. He did not recommend having Google ads on the front page of *eLanguage*, although banner ads might be appropriate there. Dieter also talked about increasing the number of co-journals with *eLanguage*.

The question was raised whether we might get a cut of the sales price for books bought through links from *eLanguage*, as Amazon.com allows. Dieter will look into this.

Project MUSE & JSTOR

Katha Kissman reported that she attended the Publisher's meeting of Project MUSE in April. She noted that while the payment received this year of \$77,400 paid in March 2008 was up from approximately \$69,000 last year, the projected 2008 total which will be paid in March 2009 (and therefore in our FY09 budget) is only \$65,300.

She also noted that LSA would not be represented at the Publisher's meeting of JSTOR this year. The payment received in FY08 was consistent with the payment in FY07. No projections for FY09 have been received from JSTOR.

LSA Advertising Policy for its Publications

Brian Joseph and Dieter Stein both presented their thoughts and recommendations regarding the establishment of a policy for external (commercial and nonprofit) advertising on the LSA website and *eLanguage* (there is already a current policy and practice of accepting paid advertising in *Language*.)

It was moved and approved with one abstention that:

- a. Dieter Stein research Google advertising options and provide the Executive Committee with a proposal and recommended policy for advertising on *eLanguage*.
- b. Paul Chapin contact Oxford University Press to get a concrete proposal for their inquiry regarding the establishment of a partnership with LSA.

Interim Executive Director's Report

Katha Kissman provided a report on the major developments at the Secretariat since the January meeting. These included the closing of two bank accounts, the outfitting of the Secretariat with furniture and additional equipment, the inventory and offsite storage of LSA files, the conversion to the ESFNet merchant vendor system via the website allowing immediate deposit of credit card payments into LSA's bank account, bringing the LSA bookkeeping inhouse, hiring David Robinson as the new Director of Membership and Meetings and integrating him into the work patterns of the Secretariat office, and searching for and hiring the new Executive Director. She noted that outstanding projects include further database cleanup of membership profiles, cleaning up membership renewal returns, getting a new networked copier machine and postage machine, and resolving the outstanding issues with LinguistList. She also strongly recommended that another administrative staff person be added to the Secretariat staff.

Due to the fact that the Secretariat's telephone system broke on Friday, May 9, is not repairable, and the Secretariat does not have phone access, it was moved and passed unanimously that Katha Kissman work with speed to install a new phone system at the Secretariat.

Linguistic Institutes

David Robinson presented reports from the organizers of the 2009 (at the University of California at Berkeley) and 2011 (University of Colorado at Boulder) Linguistic Institutes. Planning for both Institutes is well under way. He is developing a short letter, similar to the one he has developed for Summer Meetings, which can be sent to potential hosts of future Linguistic Institutes, and which will outline the basic considerations involved in planning an Institute. The list of potential future hosts will be similar to the one developed for Summer Meetings (see below).

The EC discussed the pros and cons of having LSA handle the registration for all Institutes. It would simplify the process, and save Institute staff from having to reinvent registration systems anew each time, but could make it more difficult for students to get credit and transcripts. In 2009 UC Berkeley will be handling registration, so the issue won't become timely for a while.

The EC also discussed the need to establish a policy for child care at the Institutes.

Meetings

Summer Meetings

David Robinson referred the Executive Committee to Beth Hume's report on the 2008 Summer Meeting, which provides detailed information about abstract submission and review, program, and registrations. In consultation with members of the Program Committee, the Executive Committee and directors of past and current Summer Meetings, David has developed a two-page letter which has been sent to potential future Summer Meeting hosts. Sites were selected based on geographical and practical considerations as well as at the suggestion of some of the individuals with whom David consulted. The letter has been sent out to; Georgetown University; Indiana University at Bloomington; Northwestern University/University of Chicago (jointly); Rice University; San Diego State University/University of California San Diego (jointly); SUNY Buffalo; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; University of Massachusetts at Amherst; University of Rochester; University of Texas at Austin; and the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Annual Meetings

Katha Kissman provided background on the recent events leading to the change in location for the 2009 and 2012 Annual Meetings, now to be held in San Francisco and Portland respectively. A labor dispute involving the Portland Hilton may not be resolved by the time we must fix a definite location for the 2009 meeting. Negotiations with the Hilton national office led to an offer of our using the San Francisco Hilton in 2009, with the condition that we meet at the Portland Hilton in 2012.

David Robinson explained the RFP (Request for Proposal) process, by which detailed information about prior Annual Meetings, including meeting space needs and the financial benefits to the host hotel, is presented in organized fashion to Convention and Visitors Bureaus in potential host cities so that available hotels may bid on the opportunity to host an LSA Annual Meeting.

David reported on the results of RFPs sent out for the 2011 meeting. A number of cities under consideration (e.g. Houston, New Orleans, and San Antonio) were unavailable. Four cities (Dearborn, MI, Milwaukee, WI, Minneapolis, MN and Pittsburgh, PA) had available hotels which presented proposals or indicated availability. The Executive Committee directed David to follow up on proposals received from Minneapolis and Pittsburgh hotels with a strong preference, all other things being equal, for Minneapolis.

The meeting schedule through 2012, is as follows:

- 2009 San Francisco
- 2010 Baltimore
- 2011 Minneapolis or Pittsburgh (tentative)
- 2012 Portland

The RFP will be modified and sent out for 2013 shortly.

Program Committee

Chris Kennedy, Co-Chair of the Program Committee, provided a written and verbal report. He also provided an additional supplemental report for a Computational Linguistics plenary. The motion for the acceptance of this plenary was passed unanimously.

Dieter Stein recommended publishing the Annual Meeting abstracts on *eLanguage*, in addition to publishing them in the meeting handbook. Posters can also be published as abstracts. The EC asked the Secretary-Treasurer to circulate a formal proposal for consideration and approval.

It was decided to appoint Keren Rice as the next junior Co-Chair of the Program Committee. If the constitutional amendment to expand the committee is approved, the committee will appoint an additional member.

<u>Report from Subcommittee: Potential for the 2013 International Congress of Linguists Conference in the</u> <u>United States</u>

Tom Wasow and Johanna Nichols reported on the prospects for holding the 2013 International Congress of Linguists Conference in the United States and in particular, in the San Francisco area. This would be held in the summer of 2013. Tom and Johanna have contacted universities in the greater Bay Area and have received some expressions of interest but nothing definitive yet. It was noted that this meeting has not been held in the United States since the 60s. The last U.S. meeting was held in Cambridge, so a west coast location would seem appropriate this time, and would also make the meeting more available to Asian visitors. However, other locales in the United States could be considered as well. It is important to have local interest to organize this as it is a huge undertaking.

Steve Anderson requested that they have something to report, at least yea or nay, by the time he goes to the international meeting in Korea at the end of July. The committee indicated that they would have further information within the next few weeks (by the end of May).

Committee and Delegate Reports

Committee on Membership Services and Information Technology (COMSIT)

Monica Macaulay, Chair of COMSIT, provided a written and verbal report from the committee. She noted that the arrival of David as the new Director of Membership and Meetings has helped enormously to move back to the Secretariat those duties and responsibilities that should rightly be handled by the staff.

Technology Advisory Committee (TAC)

- 1. TAC's recommendation to change the ex officio representative from *eLanguage* from Editor-in-Chief Dieter Stein to *eLanguage* Developer Cornelius Puschmann was approved unanimously.
- 2. The Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to ask TAC to provide more information regarding its recommendations for LSA to appoint a liaison to the ISO (International Standards Organization) working group on language codes and that LSA consider making funds available to support the activities of any representatives it appoints to liaise with international standards organizations.
- 3. The following new and revised language was approved unanimously for posting to the LSA website in the appropriate place:

LSA BULLETIN, No. 195, June 2008

"In recognition of the fact that many language resources, especially those documenting endangered languages, are irreplaceable, the LSA recommends that all irreplaceable language resources, whether physical or digital in nature, be deposited in an appropriate preservation archive; that is, an institution with a commitment to permanence."

"The LSA further recommends that digital resources conform to best practices as described by the E-MELD (Electronic Metastructures for Endangered Languages Data) School of Best Practices (<u>http://emeld.org/school/</u>) and that linguists seeking an appropriate preservation archive for their materials consult the list of archives participating in the Digital Endangered Languages and Musics Archives Network (DELAMAN) as given on the DELAMAN web site (<u>http://delaman.org/</u>)."

Report on LinguistList and Proposal for Tech Support

Katha Kissman presented her thoughts on LSA's relationship with LinguistList and the challenges with the current capabilities of the website and website database, with particular attention to the past "a la carte" method of being charged for website programming changes. A written proposal from LinguistList for technical support was presented.

It was voted unanimously to go with Plan A of the annual Tech Support Proposal. It was also noted that Alyson Reed and David Robinson should work diligently to do a full scale review of the relationship with LinguistList and the current capabilities of the website and website database against current need and to come back to the Executive Committee with some firm recommendations for the future.

Purpose and Potential of the Committee on Student Issues and Concerns (COSIAC)

Michael Frank, Chair of COSIAC, asked the Executive Committee to further clarify the purpose and potential of COSIAC. After discussion, it was recommended that he draft a committee charter of purpose that would be posted on the website as well as specific activities the committee could undertake in conjunction with the 2009 Annual Meeting. He will provide this to David Robinson.

Acceptance of Other Committee Reports

The motion was made and passed unanimously to accept all other committee reports. It was noted that one committee, the Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation (CELP), provided neither a written report nor committee nominations. Steve Anderson offered to follow up on this committee. Also, there were some questions about the survey planned by the Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL). David Robinson will relay those questions to the committee.

Acceptance of Delegates' and Liaisons' Reports

The motion was made and passed unanimously to accept all reports from delegates and liaisons. It was noted that not all delegates and liaisons provided a written report. There was also a reminder that LSA policy that expense reimbursements up to \$500 per year for delegates and liaisons are contingent upon the receipt of a written report to the Secretariat.

Discussion of Executive Committee Cuts to the Ethics Committee Recommendations

On behalf of the ad hoc Committee on Ethics, Monica Macaulay requested that the Executive Committee reconsider its cuts to the committee's report and asked that the Executive Committee allow the original version to be posted on the website for member comments before final adoption. After discussion, it was agreed unanimously to post the original version to the LSA website for member comments.

Editor Search for Language

Sally Thomason reported on her search for the next editor of *Language*. She has developed a list of candidates and will be contacting them to ascertain their willingness to serve, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Committee on Committee and Delegates and Liaisons Report and Nominations

Mid-cycle Committee Appointments

The members of the Committee on Committees agreed that nominations (self or otherwise) should be presented with at least one or two sentences of background and why the nominee would be appropriate for a particular committee. A URL for the nominee's CV is helpful if available. The Executive Committee concurred.

The Committee on Committees agreed that it is appropriate to appoint untenured faculty to LSA committees, with consideration given to the nature and needs of a committee at a given time. It also agreed that untenured faculty should not be appointed as a chair or co-chair of an LSA committee. The Executive Committee concurred.

There was consensus that the current practice of having the Committee on Committees be a subcommittee of the EC should continue. The Executive Committee concurred.

Committee Nominees

Under Article III of the LSA Constitution, the President shall preside at the meetings of the Society, serve as chair of the Executive Committee, and appoint the members of the Nominating, Program, Audit, Honorary Members and such other nonelective committees as may be required.

Therefore, it was noted that this is not officially the role of the Executive Committee. Rather, a process has been developed that in January through April, the Secretariat seeks out nominees through a defined process utilizing members and committees, pulls together a report on the nominations, and presents the nominees to the Committee on Committees and Delegates and Liaisons for review at its Spring Meeting. At that time, the Committee on Committees presents their final recommendation. The Executive Committee then reviews these recommendations at its Spring meeting. Following EC review, the President usually makes the appointments as recommended by the Committee on Committees and the Executive Committee, and the Secretariat implements the appointments and notifies the appointees.

There was some discussion about whether or not the Constitution should be changed to make it more in line with the current appointment process and not vest the sole authority in the President.

David Robinson discussed the timeline and process for getting nominees for committees. An e-mail was sent to the membership on 18 March soliciting self- or other-nominations, with a deadline of 15 April. In the case of othernominations, nominators were asked to confirm the nominee's willingness to serve; in the case of self-nominations, willingness was taken as implied. Committee Chairs were then asked to provide by April 25 a list of preferred nominees to replace members whose committee service will end in 2008. They were also asked to provide recommendations for chair or co-chairs for their committee. All committees except one, the Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation (CELP), were able to provide such a list of nominees.

Proposed nominations follow:

Advisory to Programs Committee

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Sheila Blumstein (two-year term, to end in 2010)
 - 2) Julianne Maher (three-year term, to end in 2011)
- Continuing as Chair (ex officio) for 2009: Paul Chapin

Leonard Bloomfield Book Award

It was recommended that the present committee be asked to serve for two years rather than one year. This possibility will be re-examined at the January meeting.

Committee on Endangered Languages and Their Preservation (CELP)

The Chair of the committee did not forward a slate of nominees. Three seats are available. David Robinson will forward the self- and other nominees to the Committee on Committees for their review and recommendation. It was further recommended to ask current committee member Kenneth L. Rehg to serve as the 2009 Chair.

Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL)

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Lisa Green, Assoc. Professor, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2011)
 - 2) Mary Zeigler, Assoc. Professor, Georgia State University (2011)
 - 3) Elaine Richardson, Professor, The Ohio State University (2011)
 - 4) Jacquelyn Rahman, Asst. Professor, Miami University of Ohio (2011)
- Recommended as co-chairs for 2009: Rocky Meade, Jennifer Bloomquist

David Robinson was asked to contact the co-chairs and ask them to put forward additional Latino/a linguists as nominees for the committee.

Committee on Honorary Members

• Recommended as Chair for 2009: Tony Woodbury

David Robinson was asked to contact the current chair, Tony Woodbury, for recommendations to replace the one (1) outgoing committee member.

Language in the School Curriculum Committee (LiSC)

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Rebecca S. Wheeler, Christopher Newport University (2011)
 - 2) Tom Payne, University of Oregon (2011)
- Recommended to continue as Chair for 2009: Tom Payne

Linguistic Institutes and Fellowships

It was clarified that in addition to the host representative, Andrew Garrett, the Secretary-Treasurer serves on this committee ex officio, as does the Vice President/President-elect (Sally Thomason), a representative from the

previous Institute (it was suggested that Beth Levin be asked as Peter Sells is currently in London), and the next Institute host representative, who would be Martha Palmer. David Robinson was asked to ensure that each of these individuals is aware that they are on this committee.

Local Arrangements Committee

To be determined for San Francisco.

Committee on Membership Services and Information Technology (COMSIT)

- Recommended to replace retiring member:
 1) Jennifer Cole (2009)
- Recommended to serve as Chair for 2009: Jennifer Cole

Nominating Committee

- Recommended to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Richard Meier (2011)
 - 2) Dennis Preston (2011)
- Recommended to serve as Chair for 2009: Jason Merchant

It was also noted that Steve Anderson is currently serving ex officio. In light of his service as Acting President this year, he has agreed to serve again ex officio next year.

Program Committee

- Terms ending in 2008: Chris Kennedy, Raffaella Zanuttini
- Recommended to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Heidi Harley, University of Arizona (2011)
 - 2) Hana Filip, University of Florida (2011)

Recommended to serve as co-chairs for 2009: Laurence Horn, Keren Rice

David Robinson was asked to contact the co-chairs for a third nominee who would be an experimentalist in anticipation of the passing of the constitutional amendment to permit adding another member to the committee.

Resolutions Committee

- Mandated:
 - 1) Alice Harris (2011)
 - 2) Cathie Ringen (2011)
- Recommended to serve as Chair for 2009: Someone from the San Francisco area.

Committee on Social and Political Concerns

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Richard Cameron, University of Illinois at Chicago (2011)
 - 2) Lauren Hall-Lew, Stanford University (student member) (2011)
- Recommended as chair for 2009: Paul Newman

Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL)

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Jacqueline Hettel, Grand Valley State University (student member) (2011)
 - 2) Rebeka Campos, Ohio State University (2011)
 - 3) Harriet Klein, visiting professor at Stony Brook University (2011)
- Recommended to serve as co-chairs for 2009: Kathryn Remlinger, Janet Fuller

Committee on Student Issues and Concerns (COSIAC)

- Nominated to replace retiring members
 - 1) Robin Melnick, San José State University (2011)
 - 2) Shakti Poornima, SUNY-Buffalo (2011)
- Recommended to continue as Chair in 2009: Michael Frank (by virtue of Bloch Fellowship)

Technology Advisory Committee (TAC)

- Recommended to replace retiring member:
- 1) Alexis Palmer, University of Texas, Austin (student member) (2011)
- Recommended to continue as Chair for 2009: Jeff Good
- Additional nominee suggested by the committee:
 - 1) Tracy Holloway King, Palo Alto Research Center (PARC) (2011)
- A further recommendation of the committee was to replace Dieter Stein, Editor-in-chief of *eLanguage*, as an ex officio member with Cornelius Puschmann, *eLanguage* Developer

The members of the Committee on Committee further recommended that Jeff Good and Tracy King (if she agrees) serve as co-chairs in the coming year.

Undergraduate Programs Advisory Committee (UPAC)

- Nominated to replace retiring members:
 - 1) Nassira Nicola, University of Chicago (student member) (2011)
 - 2) Emily Manetta, University of Vermont (2011)
 - 3) Maria Luisa Zubizarreta, University of Southern California (2011)
- Recommended as co-chairs for 2009: Judith Parker (current co-chair), Kazuko Hiramatsu (with an expiration date of 2010)

Video Archives (ad hoc)

David Robinson was asked to approach Sharon Klein about staying on as Chair and extending her term to 2011.

Number, Target Organizations, Compensation For Delegates And Liaisons

Paul Chapin presented a briefing and spreadsheet compilation of about 300 organizations, world-wide, with interests that overlap LSA in some way. A short discussion took place regarding how LSA could be better positioned with and represented to other organizations with some LSA affinity. It was agreed that further work in this area is needed.

Currently, LSA has official delegates and liaisons to the following:

<u>Umbrella Organizations</u> American Association for the Advancement of Science (4 separate membership sections) American Council of Learned Societies Consortium of Social Science Associations Permanent International Committee of Linguists

<u>Sister Organizations</u> American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Association for Computational Linguistics American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages <u>Other Organizations</u> Council for Preservation of Anthropological Records Unicode

It was also discussed that LSA needs to review whether or not these are the most relevant organizations currently with which to have an official affiliation, as well as to review the current financial policy of providing up to \$500.00 in reimbursements annually to the delegates and liaisons upon submission of their final reports.

It was agreed that LSA would retain its enrollment in the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) in Section Z-Linguistics & Language and would "un-enroll" from Section H-Anthropology, Section J-Psychology, and Section V-Neuroscience. Katha Kissman will so inform AAAS and Paul Chapin will contact the retiring representatives (William Poser, Section H; Karen Emmorey, Section J; and Mabel Rice, Section V) to thank them for their past service.

Delegate Nominees

Stephen Anderson reported that he will be replacing Fritz Newmeyer as the liaison to the Permanent International Committee of Linguists (2013) and has therefore asked David Lightfoot to serve as his replacement for AAAS Section Z (2010).

The Technology Advisory Committee received and evaluated four applications for the position of LSA liaison to the Unicode Consortium. TAC recommended that Chris Little be selected as the LSA's primary liaison to the Unicode Consortium.

In addition, TAC recommended that Rob Munro be appointed as a secondary liaison to the Unicode Consortium and that Russ Nekorchuk and Susan Shear be given student memberships in the Consortium paid for by the LSA for one year. The EC approved these recommendations.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

The EC discussed a number of proposed constitutional amendments to be submitted to the LSA membership for a vote. The amendments, with associated By-law changes, are listed below.

With regard to Amendment #1, two questions had arisen in earlier e-mail discussion: whether the number of signatures to submit an amendment by petition should be greater than 25, and whether the dates specified in the Bylaw for submission of amendments and petitions should be fixed or floating. After discussion, the EC voted to keep the number of signatures at 25, and to use floating dates in the By-law.

Following current constitutional procedures, the Secretary-Treasurer collected 10 signatures endorsing the package of constitutional amendments #1-#5 discussed at the meeting. The amendments will be submitted to the membership for a vote at the time of the fall election of officers.

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Article VIII. Amendments to the Constitution

Any proposed amendments to this constitution must be submitted by the Secretary-Treasurer in writing, signed by at least ten members of the Society. They will be submitted to the members for vote at the time of the regular election for officers. To become effective, an amendment must receive the approval of two-thirds of those members voting on that amendment.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article VIII. Amendments to the Constitution

Amendments to this constitution may be proposed on the basis of either (a) the support of two thirds of the Executive Committee, or (b) a petition submitted and signed by at least twenty-five members of the Society. Proposed amendments will be submitted to the members for vote at the time of the regular annual election of officers. To become effective, an amendment must receive the approval of two thirds of those members voting on that amendment.

Proposed Associated Bylaws Amendment to the above

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Not applicable

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

By-laws pursuant to Article VIII, Amendments to the Constitution

Any member of the Society may propose an amendment to this constitution. The proposal must be submitted in writing or by electronic mail to the Secretary-Treasurer at least one month prior to the Spring meeting of the Executive Committee. Members are encouraged but not required to provide arguments in favor of the proposed amendment at the time of submission. The Executive Committee will consider the proposal at its Spring meeting. If the proposal receives a two-thirds favorable vote from the Executive Committee members present and voting, it will be submitted to the full membership for vote at the time of the regular election for officers.

An amendment will also be submitted to a vote of the full membership if it is proposed in a petition signed by at least twenty-five members of the Society. Such a proposal, with the requisite signatures and favoring arguments attached, must be received at the LSA Secretariat office at least six months prior to the date of the Annual Meeting of the Society, and will be submitted to the full membership for vote at the time of the regular election for officers.

Any amendment put to the membership for a vote, whether by Executive Committee action or by petition, will be posted on the LSA web site at the earliest possible time, with arguments in favor and opposed.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment #2

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Article IV. Committees

4. There shall be a Finance Committee composed of the Secretary-Treasurer, who will serve as Chair, the President, Vice President/President-Elect, and the immediate Past President. One additional member shall be appointed by the Secretary-Treasurer in consultation with the Finance Committee to serve as Investment Advisor. The Committee shall have the responsibility for recommending fiscal policy to the Executive Committee and for overseeing the financial affairs of the Society. The Committee shall meet at least twice each year in conjunction with the meetings of the Executive Committee.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article IV. Committees

4. There shall be a Finance Committee composed of the Secretary-Treasurer, who will serve as Chair, the President, Vice President/President-Elect, and the immediate Past President. One additional person may be appointed to the committee by the Secretary-Treasurer, in consultation with the Finance Committee, to serve as Investment Advisor. The Committee shall have the responsibility for recommending fiscal policy to the Executive Committee and for overseeing the financial affairs of the Society. The Committee shall meet at least twice each year in conjunction with the meetings of the Executive Committee.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment #3

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

4. Any member who has paid dues for twenty years and who has retired from the regular exercise of the profession is eligible, by vote of the Executive Committee, for reduced dues without losing any of the rights of membership.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article II. Membership

4. Any member who has paid dues for twenty years and who has retired from the regular exercise of the profession is eligible for reduced dues without losing any of the rights of membership.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment #4

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Article IV. Committees

3. There shall be a Program Committee consisting of eight members appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee, each to serve for a period of three years. Each year the President shall appoint one of the senior members as Chair, who will report to the Executive Committee. The

Program Committee shall have responsibility for the scholarly content of the Society's meetings and for recommending general policies on the form of the meetings to the Executive Committee for action.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article IV. Committees

3. There shall be a Program Committee appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee, each member to serve for a period of three years. Each year the President shall appoint one of the senior members as Chair. The Program Committee shall have responsibility for the scholarly content of the Society's meetings and for recommending general policies on the form of the meetings to the Executive Committee for action.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment #5

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Article II, Membership

3. Any member who has paid dues for forty years may apply for and automatically receive life membership in the Society, and thereafter be exempt from payment of annual dues.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article II, Membership

Any member who has paid dues for fifty years will be granted a complimentary life membership in the Society, and is thereafter exempt from payment of dues.

Bylaws addition pursuant to the above

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

Not applicable

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

A new paragraph 3 shall be added to the Bylaws pursuant to Article II, MEMBERSHIP (renumbering the later paragraphs), reading:

Until December 31, 2012, any member who has paid dues for forty years will be granted a complimentary life membership in the Society, and is thereafter exempt from payment of dues.

Bylaws on succession of officers

EXISTING LANGUAGE:

5. If the office of the Executive Director should, through any cause, become vacant, the President, with the advice of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a member of the staff on an acting basis until a search can be completed.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

5. If the office of the Executive Director should, through any cause, become vacant, the President, with the advice of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a qualified person on an acting basis until a search can be completed.

It was noted that the Constitution and Bylaws should be reviewed with care to ensure that conflicting or ambiguous portions be recommended for change. An example noted was an ambiguous discrepancy regarding whether it is the Past President or the Vice President/President-Elect who should lead in the situation of the incapacity of the President.

Center for Applied Linguistics 50th Anniversary in 2009

The Center for Applied Linguistics will have its 50th Anniversary in 2009. Opportunities to honor CAL were discussed. It was voted unanimously that a reception honoring the Center for Applied Linguistics would be held as part of the 2009 Annual Meeting.

Executive Session

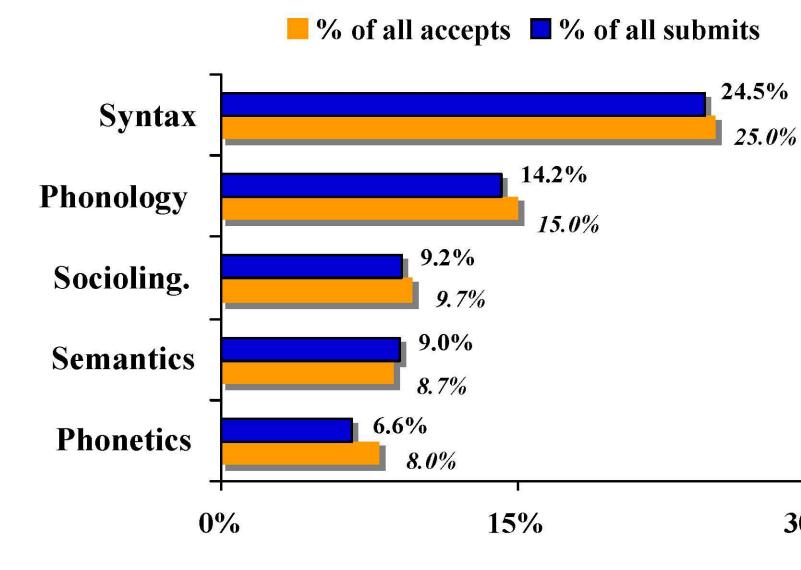
The Executive Committee went into Executive Session at approximately 12:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

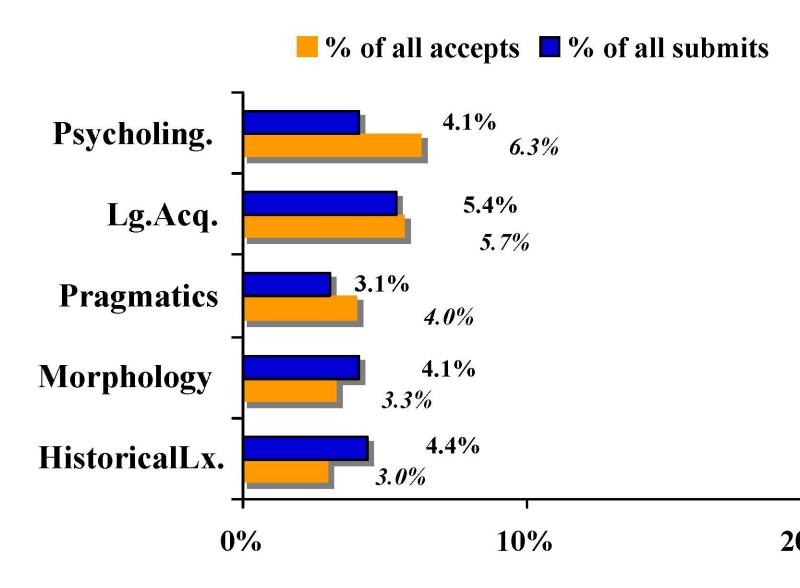
Abstract Submission and Acceptance by Subfield

The following tables, taken from a January 2008 report of the Program Committee, show the rates of abstract submission and abstract acceptance for the top 15 subfields. Data are taken from Annual Meetings from 2001 through 2008. Note that reviewing system does not_use quotas, yet appears to result in subfield acceptances roughly proportional to subfield submissions. Thus, the review process is fair to the different subfields.

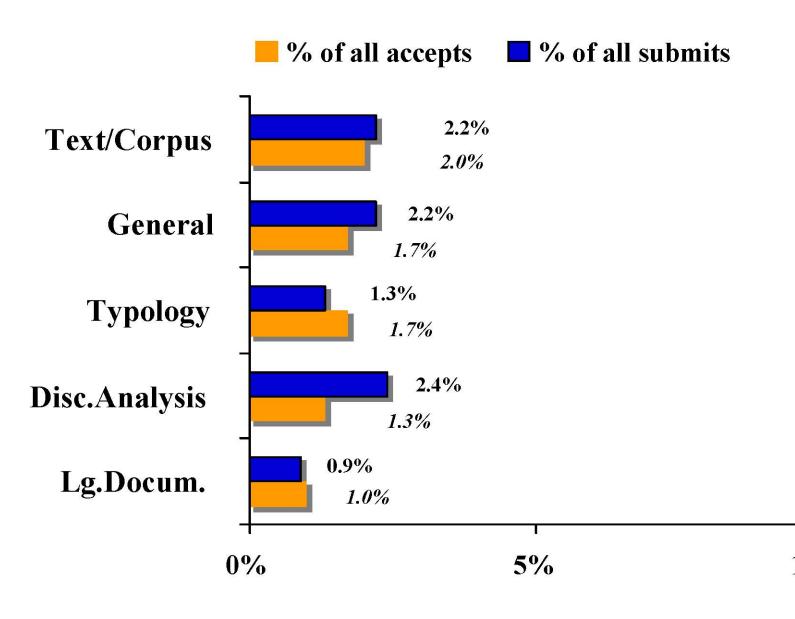
Top 5 subfields (> 63% of abstracts submitted and accept



Subfields ranked 6 - 10 (> 21% of abstracts submitted and accept



Subfields ranked 11 - 15 (> 9% of abstracts submitted and accepted



LSA Meetings and Institutes

The LSA's **2008 Summer Meeting** will take place at The Ohio State University in Columbus, OH from July 10-13 and will be followed by a Mini-Institute from July 14-18. A complete schedule for the Summer Meeting is available at <u>http://lsadc.org/info/meet-summer08-finalprogam.cfm</u>. Online registration for the Summer Meeting is now closed, but onsite registration may still be available. Contact Joanna Anderson (joanna@ling.osu.edu) for more details and to find out if space is still available.

The LSA's **2009 Annual Meeting** web page, which includes links to hotel registration, abstract submission, and other information about the San Francisco meeting, is available at <u>http://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual.cfm</u>. Information about abstract submission is available at: <u>http://lsadc.org/info/meet-annu9-abguide.cfm</u>.

Specific dates of interest to members are:

1 July through 1 August	Online submission of abstracts
1 September through 12 December	Online preregistration for the Annual Meeting
Late September	Notification of abstract acceptance/rejection

The LSA's **2009 Linguistic Institute** will take place at the University of California, Berkeley from 6 July through 13 August, 2009. Preliminary information is available at <u>http://lsa2009.berkeley.edu/</u> or by contacting <u>lsa2009@berkeley.edu</u>. More information will be posted as it becomes available. Look for registration materials and fellowship applications online in very early 2009.

Other Future Meetings and Institutes

7-10 January 2010	Annual Meeting, Hilton Baltimore
Summer 2010	Summer Meeting, location TBD
6-9 January 2011	Annual Meeting, location TBD
Summer 2011	Linguistic Institute, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
5-8 January 2012	Annual Meeting, Portland Hilton & Executive Tower
Summer 2012	Summer Meeting, location TBD

Institutions with an interest in hosting a future Summer Meeting or Linguistic Institute should contact David Robinson, Director of Membership and Meetings at the Secretariat, at <u>drobinson@lsadc.org</u>.

Other Meetings and Institutes

July, 2008

14-16. Language, Culture, & Mind, 3rd (LCM 3). Theme: Social Life & Meaning Construction. Location: Odense, Denmark. Website: http://www.lcm.sdu.dk Contact: hougaard@language.sdu.dk

14-16. **The Past Meets the Present: A Dialogue Between Historical Linguistics and Theoretical Linguistics.** Abstract Submission Deadline: 31 March 2008. [http://lsadc.org/info/pdf_files/31Mar08-Taiwan-meet.pdf] Location: Taipei, Taiwan.

21-26. **CIL18 (18th International Congress of Linguists).** Abstract Submission Deadline: 31 August 2007. Theme: Unity and Diversity of Languages. Location: Korea University, Seoul, Korea. Website: http://www.cil18.org Contact: cil18@cil18.org

August, 2008

24-29. International Association for Applied Linguistics, 15th (AILA 2008). Theme: Multilingualism: Challenges & Opportunities. Location: Essen, Germany. Website: http://www.aila2008.org Contact: bernd.rueschoff@uni-essen.de

28 August - 2 September. **History of Language Sciences, 11th (ICHoLS XI).** Location: Potsdam, Germany. Website: http://www.ichols-xi.de Contact: Gerda Hassler, ICHoLS XI, U Potsdam, PF 60 15 53, 14415 Potsdam, Germany info@ichols-xi.de

September, 2008

26-28. **Fifth International Conference on Construction Grammar (ICCG-5)** Abstract Submission Deadline: 15 March 2008 Location: University of Texas at Austin. Website: http://gmc.utexas.edu/iccg5/ Contact: iccg5organization@gmail.com

October, 2008

17-19. **31st Annual Second Language Research Forum (SLRF)** Proposal Submission Deadline: 15 April 2008 Notification of Selection: mid-May 2008 Theme: Exploring SLA: Perspectives, Positions, and Practices Location: University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii Website: http://nflrc.hawaii.edu/slrf08/

November, 2008

7-9. **First International Conference on Language Documentation and Tradition**, with a special interest in the Kalasha of the Hindu Kush valleys, Himalayas. Abstract Submission Deadline: 30 April 2008 Location: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of English, Department of Theoretical and Applied Linguistics Thessaloniki, GREECE Website: www.enl.auth.gr/icldt-Ka Contact: ema@enl.auth.gr

20-23. American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 37th (AAASS). Location: Philadelphia, PA. Website: http://www.aaas.org Contact: Wendy Walker, Conv Coord, AAASS, 8 Story St, Cambridge, MA 02138 617-495-0678; fax: 617-495-0680 walker@fas.harvard.edu

11-13. **Berlin 6 Open Access Conference: Changing Scholarly Communication in the Knowledge Society** Poster Submission Deadline: 31 July 2008 Location: Düsseldorf, Germany Website: http://www.berlin6.org

December, 2008

8-13. World Congress on Specialized Translation Languages and Intercultural Dialogue in a Globalizing World Abstract Submission Deadline: 15 May 2008 Notification of acceptance: 30 June 2008 Location: Havana (Cuba) Website: http://dtil.unilat.org/cmte2008/ Contact (for abstract submission): cmte2008@unilat.org

March, 2009

21-24. American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Abstract Submission Deadline: 15 August 2008 Theme: The relevance of applied linguistics to the real world and to other fields of scientific inquiry Location: Denver, CO Website: http://www.aaal.org/aaal2009/index.php

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

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NEH Summer Stipend Awards	10/1/2008	http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/stipends.html
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- Integrate research findings into reports and applications materials
- Must be SPSS proficient

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- Write interpretive reports and contribute to applications materials, as needed

Application Details: Salary and benefits commensurate with experience. Submit resume with employment history and education background plus relevant publications to FrameWorks c/o 1776 Eye Street, NW 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20006. Or e-mail to info@frameworksinstitute.org

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Georgetown University Department of Linguistics Assistant Professor Phonology

Position: The Department of Linguistics at Georgetown University seeks to hire a Visiting Assistant Professor with a specialization in Phonology for the 2008-2009 academic year. Salary and benefits are competitive.

Qualifications: All requirements for the Ph.D. must be completed by August 2008.

Application Details: Interested applicants should send a letter of application, CV, one representative publication and the names of three references to Elizabeth Zsiga, Department of Linguistics, Box 571051, Georgetown University, Washington DC 20057-1051. Applications may be sent by email (pdf versions only) to zsigae@georgetown.edu. For full consideration, applications should be received by March 10. Georgetown University is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer.

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University of Oregon Department of Linguistics Visiting Assistant or Associate Professor

Position: The Department of Linguistics at the University of Oregon is searching for a visiting assistant or associate professor, with an open specialization, for the academic year 2008-09. The initial contract will be for one year, beginning September 16, 2008 and ending June 15, 2009. The position is non-tenure track and possibly renewable for a second year.

Qualifications: Candidates should carefully describe how their research specialization and theoretical orientation will fit into the mission of our distinctive department with particular emphasis on our graduate program. A Ph.D. awarded by September 16, 2008 is required.

Application Details: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications. To apply, send a CV, a cover letter that discusses your research and teaching interests and experience, and the names and contact information for three references, to Visiting Professor Search, Department of Linguistics, 1290 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1290. We will begin reviewing applications March 18, 2008 and will continue accepting applications until the position is filled. The University of Oregon is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution committed to cultural diversity and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Candidates who promote and enhance diversity are strongly desired. Contact: Professor Eric Pederson, epederso@uoregon.edu

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University of Hawaii, Manoa Department of Linguistics Assistant Professor Position #83008

Position: The Department of Linguistics at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa invites applications for a full-time tenure-track position (position no. 83008), to begin August 1, 2009 pending availability of position and funding. Typical teaching arrangements are two courses, either graduate or undergraduate, per semester.

Minimum Qualifications: PhD in linguistics or a related area, with a specialization in sociolinguistics (applicants presently pursuing a PhD must offer evidence that all degree requirements will have been completed before date of hire). The successful applicant will be expected to have conducted high quality research, including empirical work, in sociolinguistics. Applicants must be willing and able to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in the area(s) of specialization.

Desirable Qualifications: An ability to contribute to and complement the department's existing strengths in language documentation, language acquisition, psycholinguistics, cognitive linguistics and/or theoretical linguistics; experience with and an interest in languages of Asia and/or the Pacific; a desire and ability to cultivate connections with other departments and programs within the university (e.g., sociology, anthropology, gender studies, ethnic studies); an aptitude for linking teaching and research at the undergraduate and graduate levels; a demonstrated ability to integrate quantitative and qualitative methods in research.

Application Details: SALARY: Salary will be competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. To apply send a letter of application, copies of key publications, and three letters of reference to: Personnel Committee, Department of Linguistics, University of Hawaii at Mānoa, 1890 East-West Road, Moore Hall 569, Honolulu, HI 96822, USA. Closing date will be October 1, 2008. Please address inquiries to the same address as application. We regret that we cannot accept applications via fax. Emailed applications are acceptable but must be followed by hard copy postmarked (priority mail) by October 1, 2008. (E-mail address: linguist@hawaii.edu). Please note that we cannot ensure that all email or fax communications in regard to this position will be answered. The University of Hawai'i is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution. We welcome applications from minorities and women.

AA/EEOE posted [04/26/08]

University of Arizona, Linguistic Department Visiting Assistant Professor Computational Linguistics

Position: The University of Arizona, Linguistics Department seeks applications for a full-time non-tenure track Visiting Assistant Professor position. The teaching involves 4 courses, including Ling 178 (Mathematics of Language and Linguistics) and TBA for Fall 2008; either Ling 439/539 (Statistical Natural Language Processing) and/or Ling 581 (Advanced Computational Linguistics) and/or TBA for Spring 2009, contingent on availability of funding.

Qualifications: The candidate is expected and encouraged to participate in research, discussion groups, and other activities in the department.

Application Details: UA benefits include health, dental, vision, and life insurance; UA/ASU/NAU tuition reduction; and more. For more detailed information visit University of Arizona at http://www.arizona.edu/home/employment-opportunities.php.

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California Institute of Technology, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences Lecturer, Part-time General Linguistics

Position: The Humanities faculty at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) invites applications for a parttime lecturer to teach an introductory linguistics course in the spring of 2009. Lecturer salaries are commensurate with tenure-track salaries in the discipline, pro-rated for number of courses.

Qualifications: We encourage applications from qualified individuals in the Los Angeles area who would enjoy teaching Caltech students; Caltech classes are generally small, and the students are of superior intellectual ability. Candidates for the position must have a Ph.D.

Application Details: Email a CV; three letters of recommendation; a course syllabus; teaching evaluations (if available); and a letter describing their research interests to: Search Chair Linguistics Recruiting, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences 101-40, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125. Email attachments should include the applicant's last name at the beginning of label, i.e.: SmithCV.doc; recommendations may come by regular post. CONTACT: Emily de Araújo (emilya@hss.caltech.edu). Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Caltech is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and disabled persons are encouraged to apply.

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University of New Mexico, Department of Linguistics Assistant Professor Navajo Linguistics

Position: The University of New Mexico's Department of Linguistics requests applications for Assistant Professor of Linguistics with a specialization in Navajo Linguistics.

Application Details: For complete information regarding position qualifications, you may access Faculty Postings at http://www.unm.edu/~linguist. The link takes interested parties to the UNM Department of Linguistics webpage. At the top of the page there's a link to the full ad and the mailing instructions are on the ad page. The University of New Mexico is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and educator.

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Montclair State University College of Humanities and Social Science Dean

Position: The Search Committee for the Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Montclair State University invites nominations, applications, and expressions of interest for the position of Dean. The new Dean will assume office in the summer of 2009.

Montclair State University is a comprehensive public university offering a rich array of programs to approximately 17,500 undergraduate and graduate students. Founded in 1908, the University is organized into five academic units: the College of Humanities & Social Sciences, the College of Education & Human Services, the College of Science & Mathematics, the College of the Arts, and the School of Business. Characterized by a distinguished faculty of 510 full-time teacher-scholars, Montclair State offers ten undergraduate degrees in more than 70 major areas of study and seven degrees at the Master's and Doctoral level in 36 areas of study. The University is located 14 miles west of New York City on a beautiful 230-acre suburban New Jersey campus.

With a faculty of 195 distinguished scholars/teachers and approximately 4,050 students, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences is the largest of the University's academic units. The College provides a rich variety of degree programs and is organized into 13 departments, 3 interdisciplinary degree programs, and 12 centers, institutes and societies. Degree programs include: Anthropology, Audiology, Classics and General Humanities, Communication Sciences and Disorders, English, History, Justice Studies, Linguistics, Modern Languages and Literatures, Philosophy and Religion, Political Science and Law, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish and Italian, Women's Studies, and a number of minors, including African American Studies, and Latin American and Latino Studies. The College's centers, institutes and societies include the Center for Child Advocacy, the Coccia Institute for the Italian Experience in America, the Center for Heritage and Archeological Studies, and the Humanities Institute. The College has successfully combined a traditional focus on liberal education with programs at both the undergraduate and graduate level that fulfill specific career objectives.

The Dean, who is appointed by the President and reports to the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, serves as the chief academic and administrative officer of the College. The Dean is expected to be an intellectual leader not only within the College, but across the campus and within the external community as well. She/he will have the vision to identify and pursue new opportunities for the College and the intellectual strength to direct its growth and development within the framework of the University's expanding mission. The Dean will be responsible for the administrative and fiscal management of the College, overseeing a budget of approximately \$23 million. The Dean will give special attention to the development of academic programs at the graduate and undergraduate levels, the recruitment and development of faculty, and the quality of the academic experience of the College's students. She/he will be responsible for effectively representing the College to the campus, alumni and external communities, and will provide leadership in the pursuit of the external resources required to augment State appropriations. The Dean will be a key member of the University's senior leadership team and will be imaginative in finding ways to advance the goals and objectives of both the College and the University and to foster collaborations across the campus.

Qualification: The successful candidate will possess an earned doctorate and a record of distinguished academic achievement appropriate for appointment at the rank of full professor in a department of the College. In addition, she/he should possess strong communication skills; the ability to foster a collegial and collaborative academic

environment; a commitment to excellence in teaching/learning, scholarship and the application of knowledge; a record of successful administration in higher education and a broad understanding of current issues in higher education; a demonstrated record in the acquisition of external resources; a thorough understanding of curricular needs in the humanities and social sciences; experience with instruction utilizing information technology and electronic access to information; and a commitment to maintaining and extending student and faculty diversity.

Application Details: The Committee will begin to review candidates in late August 2008 and will continue until an appointment is made. Confidential nominations and applications should be addressed to **Dr. Eileen Fitzpatrick**, **Chair of the CHSS Search Committee**, and sent electronically (PDF or MS Word) to MontclairCHSS@academic-search.com. Applicants should include a cover letter describing how their background, skills, and education match the needs of the University, along with a curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information (including email addresses) of at least five professional references.

Additional information about Montclair State University and the Dean's position can be found at www.chss.montclair.edu. The search is being assisted by Dr. Ronald Stead, Senior Consultant, Academic Search, Inc., rss@academic-search.com or 202/332-4049 and Dr. Tobie van der Vorm, Senior Consultant, Academic Search, Inc., ptv@academic-search.com or 202/263-7473. *Montclair State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer*.

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University of Toronto, Department of Linguistics Assistant Professor One Year, Full-Time, Contractual, limited-term

Position: Applications are invited for a one-year, full-time, contractually limited-term (CLTA) position at the Assistant Professor level in Linguistics with a specialization in Formal Semantics, in the Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto. Appointment normally commences August 1, 2008.

The position involves teaching five semester courses including Formal Semantics at the second and third year undergraduate level and possibly at the graduate level, and other courses from among the following: Introduction to Linguistics, Introduction to Language, English Words, English Grammar, Language Diversity, and Morphology; conducting research, serving on graduate committees, and taking part in the normal activities of the Department.

Qualifications: Ph. D. completed with evidence of research ability, and relevant teaching experience. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Application Details: Send letter of application and current curriculum vitae to Professor Diane Massam, Chair, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto, 130 St. George Street Room 6076, Toronto, ON M5S 3H1, or by email to lingdept@chass.utoronto.ca and arrange to have three letters of reference addressing teaching and research experience and ability sent directly to the same address as soon as possible. Deadline for receipt of applications is JUNE 23, 2008.

The University is strongly committed to diversity within its community. The University especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, members of sexual minority groups and others who may contribute to further diversification of ideas. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

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University of Florida, Linguistics Visiting Assistant Professor Syntax, General Linguistics

Position: The University of Florida invites applications for a non- tenure-track visiting assistant professor position in Linguistics for the 2008-2009 academic year. We anticipate a 3/3 teaching load which includes a two-semester graduate sequence in syntax, introduction to linguistics each semester, and two undergraduate electives.

Qualifications: A PhD by August 2008 is required and previous teaching experience is highly desirable, along with demonstrated teaching effectiveness.

Application Details: Interested applicants should send a letter of application, statements about teaching and research interests, sample teaching evaluations if available, a CV, one sample publication, and three letters of recommendation to Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee, Linguistics, P.O. Box 115454, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-5454 USA. Applications may be sent by e-mail to Eric Potsdam at potsdam@ufl.edu or mailto:potsdam@ufl.edu, although a hard copy should follow. For fullest consideration, applications should be received by June 16, 2008 however they will be accepted until the position is filled. Salary range is approximately \$35,000 - \$38,000 plus benefits. The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution.

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Bruce G. Campbell, a member since 1970, died 31 March 2008.

Marvin, D. Carmony, a longtime member, died 27 December 2006.

Austin Sawicki, an LSA member since 2006, died May 29th, 2008.

Rulon S. Wells III, a member since 1944, former President (1976) of the LSA, and an LSA Fellow (class of 2006), died May 3, 2008.