

Linguistic Society of America  
Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting

Friday, January 6, 2012 ~ 5:30 – 7:00pm  
Hilton Portland and Executive Tower

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. Sandra Chung, at 5:35 pm.

Introductory Remarks

Dr. Chung welcomed the attendees and recognized all former Presidents of the LSA in attendance. She reported that the Executive Committee (EC) had discussed the future of the LSA's publishing program at its meeting on Thursday, and that plans are underway for moving *Language* to a more fully digital format over the next few years. The EC will be seeking input from LSA members as it moves forward with the planning process.

Report of Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Paul Chapin offered highlights from his written report (which was published in the meeting handbook and is attached as Addendum A). He provided an update on the LSA's finances, membership numbers and related information.

Report of 2011 Election Results

Dr. Chapin confirmed the results of the LSA election:

- Vice-President/President-elect: Ellen Kaisse
- Executive Committee (At-Large): Susan Fischer; Lisa Green
- Dr. Chapin thanked the outgoing members of the Executive Committee: David Lightfoot, Christopher Potts and Rachel Walker, for their service to the LSA over the past three years.

In Memoriam

Dr. Chapin requested a moment of silence in memory of the following LSA members who passed away since the last Annual Meeting: Eugene Homer Casad; Audrey Duckert; Eugene Nida (LSA President, 1968); David Pollard III; Joseph A. Reif; Rogelio Reyes

Program Committee Report

Dr. Heidi Harley offered highlights from the committee's written report (which was published in the meeting handbook and is also attached as Addendum B).

Editor's Reports

1.) *Language*

Dr. Greg Carlson offered highlights from his written report (which was published in the meeting handbook and is also attached as Addendum C).

## 2.) *eLanguage*

Dr. Dieter Stein offered highlights from his written report (which was published in the meeting handbook and is also attached as Addendum D) and also presented slides with additional data and information on the number of documents published, total downloads, new materials added since the previous report, page views and web visitors, and usage by geographic location over time (see Addendum F).

### Report on National Science Foundation (NSF) Activities

The report was presented by Dr. Joan Maling, Director of the Linguistics Program at the NSF. As reported last year, NSF's Linguistics Program now has two full-time Program Directors, one permanent (Maling) and one rotator (Badecker). Bill Badecker came to NSF in August, 2010, and will be staying at NSF for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year. A search is underway for a new Program Director for the Documenting Endangered Languages (DEL) Program, to replace Susan Penfield who left NSF at the end of January, 2011. In the interim, we have been extremely fortunate to have Keren Rice serving as DEL Program Director for this fiscal year's review cycle. A new DEL solicitation was posted in June, which adds a focus on computational issues, including tool development and data management. DEL will continue to support fieldwork, documentary linguistics, digitization projects and training. The DEL program has a single deadline of September 15 annually; Linguistics has two review cycles each year, with due dates of January 15 and July 15 annually.

### **BUDGET**

Funding for NSF has remained relatively flat for several years. The annual budget for the Linguistics Program remains approximately \$5.9 million. The annual budget for Documenting Endangered Languages (DEL) is \$3.1 million from NSF, and \$1 million from the National Endowment of Humanities (NEH). This is an increase of \$1 million, thanks to commitments from Arctic Social Sciences (Office of Polar Programs) and Robust Intelligence (Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE)).

### **SBE2020**

NSF's Linguistics Program is in the Division of Behavioral & Cognitive Sciences (BCS) in the Directorate for Social, Economic & Behavioral Sciences (SBE). In August, 2010, Assistant Director for SBE Myron Gutmann issued a Dear Colleague Letter, inviting people to contribute white papers outlining the future of their sciences in the next decade; the resulting report, entitled *Rebuilding the Mosaic*, was published in October, 2011. More than 500 people submitted ideas either as individual authors or as members of author teams. The response from linguists was remarkable. When categorized by disciplinary field, linguistics/communication was the third largest group of respondents, after "social sciences, general" and economics. Given the small size of our field as compared to economics and psychology, we surely had the highest response rate of any field. Input from linguists had an impact in increasing the visibility of the language sciences. The report identified four major topic areas: (i) population change; (ii) sources of disparities; (iii) communication, language, and linguistics; (iv) technology, new media, and social networks.

### **Support for Graduate Students**

The Linguistics program supports Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants (DDRIG), which cover exceptional research expenses (but not stipends) for doctoral candidates who are embarking on their dissertation research.

We are often asked about another program: the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP), which provides 3 years of support at the beginning of the student's graduate career. While the Linguistics Program reviews dissertation proposals, the review process for the Graduate Fellowship applications is contracted out; the reviewing is done outside of NSF by large ad hoc panels. It is possible to volunteer to serve on these panels. Because there are never enough linguistics applications to justify a separate, dedicated panel, linguistics applications are generally reviewed together with either anthropology or psychology applications. The result is that linguistics is frequently underrepresented on the panels that make the funding decisions about these fellowships. If you would like to see more money going to support graduate study in linguistics, please volunteer by registering on line at [www.nsfgrfp.org](http://www.nsfgrfp.org).

Proposals submitted to NSF-wide solicitations are reviewed by ad hoc advisory panels. It is important that linguistics be represented on such panels, so we urge you to say "yes" to requests to serve as panelists and/or reviewers.

NSF open office hours were held on Saturday morning, 10:30-12noon. We thank Walt Wolfram for providing the PI's perspective on NSF's Informal Science Education (ISE) program.

### Resolutions of Thanks

A resolution was presented by Dr. Thomas Payne:

"Whereas, the LSA relies on the efforts of numerous members and volunteers to organize the Annual Meeting and to conduct its work throughout the year.

Therefore, be it resolved that the following individuals be formally thanked for their contributions to the LSA:

The officers of the LSA, Keren Rice, Paul Chapin, David Lightfoot and Sandra Chung, for their leadership and service.

Heidi Harley and Scott Schwenter, for leading the program committee in delivering another successful Annual Meeting.

Greg Carlson, Natsuko Tsujimora and Dieter Stein, for their editorial leadership of Language and eLanguage.

Linguistics faculty at Portland State University, Reed College, and the University of Oregon, for their assistance with recruiting volunteers to help staff the meeting, and also with the local logistics.

Lindsay Stefanski, Volunteer Coordinator, for helping to recruit such an enthusiastic cadre of student volunteers.

All of the LSA's various committee chairs and members, as we work together to implement the LSA's ambitious strategic plan.

The sister societies of the LSA, for their contributions in making the Annual Meeting a more vibrant and dynamic gathering of linguists.

Martha Palmer and the University of Colorado at Boulder, for organizing and planning the 2011 biennial Linguistic Institute.

The LSA Executive Committee, including those concluding their service at this meeting: Rachel Walker and Chris Potts.

The Secretariat staff, Alyson Reed (Executive Director), David Robinson (Director of Membership and Meetings), and Rita Lewis (Executive Assistant), for their outstanding work."

A motion to endorse this resolution was approved by acclamation.

A second resolution of thanks was presented by Dr. Sarah Thomason:

"Whereas Anne Mark has completed 42 years as copy editor and managing editor of the journal, *Linguistic Inquiry*, and

Whereas in the course of her copy editing career she has edited 150 books and monographs and 1500 articles, remarks, replies, squibs and discussions, and

Whereas she has been universally acknowledged by those whose work she has touched as being one of the finest copy editors in the field of linguistics.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Linguistic Society of America recognizes and expresses its great appreciation to Anne Mark for her extraordinary contributions to making scientific discourse in the field of linguistics clear, accessible, consistent, accurate and civil and that a copy of this resolution along with its signers be transmitted to her."

[The list of signatories to this resolution is included as Addendum E.]

A motion to endorse this resolution was approved by acclamation.

### Approval of Honorary Members

The following individuals were recommended by the LSA Executive Committee to receive honorary life memberships in the LSA: Anne Cutler; Bernd Heine and Aleksandr Evgenevich Kibrik. The following citations were presented for each nominee:

**Professor Anne Cutler**, Director of the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, Netherlands since 1993, and Professor of Comparative Psycholinguistics at the University of Nijmegen, has been a world leader in psycholinguistics for the past thirty-five years. Born in Australia, Professor Cutler took her first degrees at the University of Melbourne, in Psychology, Modern Languages and German linguistics, and went on to complete a Ph.D. at the University of Texas in 1975.

Beginning with her dissertation on Sentence Stress and Sentence Comprehension, Professor Cutler has produced a steady stream of pioneering findings that illuminate our understanding of the role of prosody in the recognition of spoken words. She demonstrated that prosodic patterns dictate the strategy used by children in segmenting the stream of speech, and that languages differ in this respect according to their syllabic structure. Her research on speech perception has shown us how much can be learned from the study of errors and confusions as well as the efficient learning mechanisms that underlie the child's remarkable success as a language learner.

Author of over three hundred articles on speech perception, speech processing and language learning, Professor Cutler's most influential papers include "Phonological structure in speech recognition" (1986), "Segmentation problems, rhythmic solutions" (1994), "Listening to a second language through the ears of a first" (2001), and "The abstract representations in speech processing" (2008). She has served on the Editorial Boards of *Cognition*, *Cognitive Psychology*, *Phonology*, the *Journal of Linguistics*, and many others, and as Guest Editor for special issues devoted to speech perception in major journals in the field. Signal among her honors are her election to numerous academies internationally, including the Netherlands Royal Academy of Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, the National Academy of Sciences (U.S.), the Australian Academy of the Humanities, the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, and the Academia Europaea. She has been a winner of the British Psychological Society Cognitive Psychology Award, the Netherlands Spinoza Prize, and the R. Douglas Wright Medal at the University of Melbourne. Professor Cutler's leadership and guidance of the Language Comprehension Department at the Max Planck Institute has been matched not only by her international renown, but by her international reach in mentoring and collaborating with scholars in many countries around the world.

**Professor Bernd Heine** is emeritus Professor of Linguistics at the Institute of African Studies (Institut für Afrikanistik), University of Cologne, and was Professor and Director of that institute from 1978 to 2004. He is noted especially for his contributions to typology, the study of African languages, and the understanding of language variation and change. He is among the world's leading authorities on grammaticalization, and his work has been accessible and useful to linguists who work in a wide variety of theoretical frameworks.

Prof. Heine received his Ph.D. from the University of Cologne in 1967 with a thesis on Togo Remnant languages, and his Habilitation on Bantu area Pidgins in 1971. His areas of specific interest include African linguistics, sociolinguistics, Maasai and Swahili ethnobotany, and Khoisan languages. His thirty-three books include: *Grammaticalization: A Conceptual Framework*, written with Ulrike Claudi and Friederike Hün; *African Languages: An introduction*, and *A Linguistic Geography of Africa*, both written with Derek Nurse; *Approaches to grammaticalization*, co-edited with Elizabeth Traugott; and *World Lexicon of Grammaticalization, Language Contact and Grammatical Change, The Changing Languages of Europe, and The Genesis of Grammar*, all co-authored with Tania Kuteva. He is also co-editor, with Heiko Narrog, of *The Oxford Handbook of Linguistic Analysis*.

Prof. Heine is a member of over twenty editorial boards, among them *Studies in Language, Language Sciences, Journal of African Languages and Linguistics, Lingua, Faits de langues, and Language and Cognition*. His honors include selection as Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy, Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford, Fellow of the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, and a Distinguished Visiting Fellowship at the Institute of Advanced Study at La Trobe University, Melbourne. He is the President of Standing Committee for the World Congress of African Linguistics, and in 2009 he received a Life-Time Achievement Award from the Evolutionary Linguistics Association (Brussels). He has held visiting professorships in Europe, East Asia, Africa, the Americas, and Australia, and has been an invited speaker or key-note speaker at approximately 90 meetings since 1988.

**Professor Aleksandr Evgenevich Kibrik**, Chair of the Department of Theoretical and Computational Linguistics of Lomonosov Moscow State University since 1992, is a major world authority on the languages of the Daghestanian family and on ergativity, a celebrated typologist and field linguist, and a major force in the development of Russian fieldwork and typology. Since 1967, he has led more than 40 linguistic field expeditions to the Caucasus, the Pamir, Kamchatka, Tuva and other locations. He has built up the fieldwork expertise of linguists both from Russia/USSR and the West, training generations of undergraduates, graduate students, and post-doctoral researchers, and involving teams of younger and more senior linguists in descriptive and theoretical research on these mostly endangered languages. He has produced significant and substantial grammars for a number of languages of the North Caucasus, not only grappling with the complex phonological and morphological systems for which these languages are famed, but also working intensely on their syntax, and his former students have become leaders of fieldwork expeditions in their turn.

Professor Kibrik was also part of the team that launched the First Traditional Linguistics Olympiad in Moscow in 1965, and was chair of the organizing committee for the First International Linguistic Olympiad, held in Bulgaria in 2003. Professor Kibrik is a Corresponding Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences (elected 2006) and of the British Academy (also 2006). The committee recognizes Professor Kibrik's distinguished record of scholarly research, his contributions to fieldwork methodology and linguistic documentation, especially of

endangered languages, and the training and mentoring of generations of field linguists and typologists.

The honorary memberships of the three individuals cited above were approved.

#### Induction of LSA Fellows

Dr. Chung presented the 2012 class of Fellows for induction: Penelope Eckert; Louis Goldstein; Jorge Hankamer; Alice Harris; Irene Heim; Angelika Kratzer; Richard Meier; John J McCarthy; Janet Pierrehumbert; Elisabeth Selkirk.

The Fellows were presented with certificates by Dr. Chung.

#### New Business

There was no new business conducted.

#### Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Chung at 6:45 pm.

## Addendum A

### SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Paul G. Chapin, January 2012

I am pleased to present to the Society this report on the LSA's business activities during 2011.

#### **Budget and Finance**

The LSA's financial picture remains stable and sound. Our operating budget for Fiscal Year 2011, which ended September 30, 2011, projected an operating surplus of just over \$60,000. Subject to final audit, the actual surplus for the fiscal year was nearly \$70,000. For the current fiscal year, Fiscal Year 2012, our operating budget is almost exactly in balance, because we have included in it a one-time cost of \$100,000 for the development of our new web site. On the basis of the contract we have signed with the developer, it presently appears that that amount will be sufficient to cover the full cost of the project, without our having to dip into reserves. Since that is a one-time expense, our expectations for future fiscal years are to continue to enjoy a comfortable operating surplus, which will enable us to undertake new initiatives for the benefit of our members, particularly in publishing.

LSA's investment portfolio is subject to the same market fluctuations that affect all investors. As of September 30, 2011, the total of all investment funds in the portfolio stood at \$907,235, about \$30,000 less than on the same date in 2010. It is worth mentioning, however, that the investments gained over \$57,000 in value in October 2011. From the several funds earmarked for the purpose, we paid about \$48,000 during Fiscal Year 2011 toward the costs of the 2011 Linguistic Institute, primarily for named professorships and student fellowships.

LSA's budget documents and financial statements are available for inspection by any member. If you wish to see them, contact me through the Secretariat. When our new website is up and running, hopefully by the end of 2012, we plan to have them posted there as well.

#### **Membership**

Our membership numbers continue to be a matter of concern. Last year I was able to report a small increase in the number of regular members. Unfortunately we experienced another significant decline in membership during the past year, with regular memberships falling from 2061 to 1880, a loss of 9%, and total individual memberships falling from 4174 to 3935, a loss of 6%. We are taking several measures in response. The Secretariat has instituted a more aggressive program of renewal reminders, including postal mail as well as e-mail reminders on a monthly basis to lapsed subscribers. As mentioned above, we have begun development of a completely new LSA web site, which will be both more attractive and more useful to members. And we have just begun the planning process for a significant increase in our publications program, moving more strongly into the realm of electronic publication and exploiting its advantages for more numerous and more varied publications under the LSA aegis. Our aim is to provide more value to members, and thereby encourage more to become members. We welcome suggestions from current members as to ways to achieve this aim.

Institutional memberships also continue to decline, from 1227 last year to a current 1177, a decrease of 4%. At the same time, we are seeing annual increases above expectations in our royalties from Project



MUSE and from JSTOR, the electronic repositories of our intellectual products. These trends indicate the continuing shift of institutional libraries from paper to electronic access to professional literature.

### **Election Results**

On-line voting was open to all LSA members from September 6 to November 6, 2011. As a result of the voting, the Society elected Ellen Kaisse, University of Washington, as Vice-President/President-Elect, and Susan Fischer, University of California, San Diego, and Lisa Green, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, as members at large of the Executive Committee for three-year terms beginning January 2012.

### **In Memoriam**

I regret to report the deaths of the following LSA members:

Eugene Homer Casad  
J. David Danielson  
Audrey Duckert  
Eugene Nida (LSA President, 1968)  
David Pollard III  
Joseph A. Reif  
Rogelio Reyes

### **Appreciation**

With each passing year I find myself with a deeper debt of gratitude to our redoubtable professional staff at the LSA Secretariat. Rita Lewis, Executive Assistant, keeps the Society's books, manages the flow of callers, visitors, and mail, and oversees the registration at the Annual Meeting, all with unflappable calm and efficiency. David Robinson, Director of Membership and Meetings, strikes fear into the hearts of convention and visitors' bureaus across the nation, as he engineers great deals for our Annual Meetings, year after year, while keeping track of our membership, keeping our web site up to date, and keeping us all informed of what's happening. Alyson Reed, Executive Director, is one of the savviest people you'll ever meet. Her profound knowledge, borne of experience, of how professional societies operate, and how they ought to operate, combine with sharp instincts and an extraordinary work ethic to keep us constantly ahead of the curves. My heartfelt thanks to all three.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul G. Chapin  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Linguistic Society of America

## Addendum B

## Program Committee Report 2012 Annual Meeting

This year, the Program Committee (PC) oversaw the evaluation and selection of the abstracts submitted to the Annual Meeting. We received a total of 600 submissions, which were divided into three distinct types (determined by the submitters): '20-min' (to be considered only as a 20 minute paper presentation), '20-min OR poster' (to be considered as a paper, and then as a poster if not accepted as a paper), and 'poster' (to be considered as a poster only). The breakdown of submissions for this year appears in Table 1, with totals from recent years included for comparison.

**Table 1: Poster and paper submission and acceptance 2002-2012**

(15-min. and 30-min paper categories for years 2002-2005 are collapsed.)

Year	City	Posters			Papers <sup>2</sup>			Total			
		subm <sup>1</sup>	acc	%	subm <sup>2</sup>	acc	%	subm	acc	%	
2012	Portland	262	80	31%	575	222	38%	604	302	<b>50%</b>	
2011	Pittsburgh		207	80	39%	522	222	42.5%	541	302	<b>55.8%</b>
2010	Baltimore		185	82	44%	480	222	46%	497	304	<b>61.2%</b>
2009	San Francisco	182	80	44%	511	222	43%	534	302	<b>56.5%</b>	
2008	Chicago	169	78	46%	527	222	42%	542	300	<b>55.4%</b>	
2007	Anaheim		38	28	74%	419	261	62%	457	289	<b>63%</b>
2006	Albuquerque	25	22	88%	370	248	67%	395	268	<b>68%</b>	
2005	San Francisco	25	25	100%	392	250	64%	417	275	<b>66%</b>	
2004	Boston	16	16	100%	349	177	51%	365	194	<b>53%</b>	
2003	Atlanta	13	11	85%	258	148	57%	271	159	<b>59%</b>	
2002	San Francisco	12	9	75%	325	151	46%	337	160	<b>47%</b>	

1 This number is the sum of the 'poster' submissions and the '20-min OR poster' submissions that were not accepted as 20-min papers.

2 This number combines the total number '20-min' and '20-min OR poster' submissions.

By setting 222 20-minute talks as the cutoff point for selection for the Meeting, reflecting the decision made by the Executive Committee at the 2007 Meeting to limit the total number of parallel regular sessions in each block of talks to 6, we obtain the percentages of accepted papers indicated above. The cutoff for accepted posters remains essentially the same as in the two previous years.

Abstracts were evaluated by members of the PC and by a panel of 208 outside experts covering a range of subfields. All non-student members of the LSA were invited to volunteer to review, the second year we have had an all-volunteer reviewing team. Two abstracts received four ratings each; the rest received five or more (one abstract received ten ratings). The median number of ratings per abstract was 6; the average number of ratings per abstract was 6.5. External reviewers were asked to rate no more than 14 abstracts; members of the Program Committee each rated between 60 and 220 abstracts.

As in previous years, the proportion of (self-identified) subfields for submitted papers to subfields for accepted papers were essentially equivalent, with the major subfields including syntax (130 submitted abstracts), phonology (87), sociolinguistics (61), semantics (49), phonetics (34), psycholinguistics (40), morphology (30) and language acquisition (43), historical linguistics (30), pragmatics (22), discourse analysis (11), typology (13).

### Organized Sessions

#### *Invited Session on Minority Language Contact*

Following the success of the invited jointly organized SSILA/LSA special sessions in 2009, 2010 and 2011, the PC

invited Pat Shaw (President of SSILA) and Carol Genetti (chair of CELP) to organize a special invited 3 hour jointly sponsored organized session, entitled "From language documentation to language revitalization," focussing on the challenges that linguists and communities face in working with documentary materials as part of revitalization efforts. The session is preceded by a screening and discussion of the Makepeace Productions movie "We still live here/Âs Nutayuneân", describing the story of the work which has led to the rebirth of the Wampanoag language in Massachusetts.

#### *Other Organized Sessions*

In April the PC evaluated 14 additional preliminary organized session proposals that were submitted for consideration, providing detailed constructive feedback on all of them. 13 revised organized session proposals were resubmitted in final versions for the August 1 deadline. All 13 were accepted.

#### *Plenary Speakers*

The PC invited Patrice Beddor, Dan Jurafsky, and Ted Supalla to present plenary lectures at the Annual Meeting. Sandra Chung will give the Presidential Address.

#### **Other initiatives**

This year marks the first time the LSA has sponsored 'satellite sessions', longer, focussed mini-conferences addressing a single topic, held in space reserved for the annual meeting before and after the meeting proper. Session organizers are responsible for obtaining external funds to support other costs. The PC reviewed two such proposals, one group with their own external funding already in hand, and another planning to submit a funding proposal to the NSF. This year, the PC proper reviewed these proposals with the organized session proposals, and approved their inclusion as satellite sessions in principle; Alyson and David then worked with the groups to ensure that their meeting needs were met and (with the latter group) to submit the grant proposal. An ad-hoc committee has already been formed to get the process underway for the 2013 meeting.

Also this year, the PC and David Robinson worked extensively with the Linguist List programmers to improve the reviewing interface, including enabling reviewer comments, allowing us for the first time to send feedback to abstract submitters. Other improvements included implementing the ability to do our own subfield categorization and improving the ease of use of the reviewer/abstract management interface.

During review, the PC and external reviewers identified several potentially newsworthy abstracts, which can be publicized in the media materials.

A new set of poster guidelines has been posted to the website, thanks to Kristen Syrett. In response to the continued increase in the number of abstract submissions, the PC is considering proposing a slightly revised format for the annual meeting in which poster presentations would play a more prominent role.

#### **Table 2: Members of the 2012 Program Committee (with years of service)**

Hana Filip (2009-2011) [PR liaison]	Scott Schwenter (2010-2012) [co-chair]	Andrew Nevins (2011-1013) [co-chair]
Heidi Harley (2009-2011) [co-chair]	Alan Yu (2010-2012)	Chung-hye Han (2011-013)
Anna Papafragou (2009-2011)	Grant Goodall (2010-2011)	James Walker (2011-2013)
		Olivia Sammons (2010-2012) [student member]

## Addendum C

### *Language* Annual Report for 2011

Changes. This was a fairly stable year for the journal compared to recent years.

The board of Associate Editors saw the departure of Sali Tagliamonte, and the addition of Shana Poplack.

Volume 86 of *Language* for the year 2011 consists of four issues comprising 936 pages. The volume contains 17 articles, 2 discussion notes, 2 review articles, 2 short reports and 65 book reviews.

Papers submitted in 2010-2011. In all, 139 new submissions were received between November 15 of 2010 and November 15 of 2011. This is an increase of almost 40 percent over the previous year.

Topic areas of the 139 submitted papers were distributed as follows:

Syntax 34	Language Teaching 4	Language and Law 1
Phonology 21	Phonetics 4	Metatheory 1
Semantics 16	Typology 3	Social History 1
Morphology 13	Second Language Acquisition 2	Sociolinguistics 1
Language Change 12	Bilingualism 1	Translation Studies 1
Psycholinguistics 7	Gesture 1	Writing 1
Pragmatics 6	Language and Culture 1	

The total number of papers acted on in 2010-2011. Including papers submitted the previous year, but still pending action as of November 15, 2010, a total of 104 papers were acted on between November 15, 2010 and November 15, 2011. In all, 18 papers were accepted, 5 were accepted with minor revisions, 27 were returned for revision with suggestion to resubmit, and 54 were rejected. The percentage accepted rate of all papers acted on in 2010-2011 is about 23 percent.

The length of time between submission and decision for that time period ranged from one week to 44 weeks; the average time to decision was 19 weeks.

Referees. Requests for referee reports were sent to 268 different scholars this year: 214 accepted, and 179 have submitted their reports (the rest are pending). People serving as referees will be listed and officially thanked in the annual report which will appear in the June 2012 issue of *Language*.

Many thanks to Associate Editors: Adam Albright, R. Harald Baayen, Jürgen Bohnemeyer, Heidi Harley, Jennifer Hay, Lisa Matthewson, Jason Merchant, Shana Poplack, and Kie Zuraw.

A special thank you to Book Editor Natusko Tsujimura for her work, especially for getting the book notices regularized and tending to the backlog we had experienced over the past few years. This required a special long-term effort.

Hope Dawson and Audra Starcheus deserve special recognition for their essential, continued work in copyediting and proof reading. Thanks to Kerrie Merz in the journal main office for her work. They have all continued to go above and beyond in the past year; the LSA is fortunate to have such a team supporting the journal.

Agenda for 2012. The primary development we look forward to is making critical decisions about whether to move ahead with *Language* as primarily a digital rather than a print journal, and if so, how we are to do that. Efforts are underway to integrate planning for the journal with changes in the LSA's web site and the continued development of the LSA's web presence.

## Addendum D

### eLanguage Report

eLanguage has continued to expand, emphasizing at this stage in its development core linguistic disciplines.

Two new cojournals were admitted:

- Diachronic syntax (Editor: Ian Roberts)
- Phonology (Editor: Eric Bakovic)

There were two significant additions to the section on conference proceedings:

- Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) was added
- The Berkeley Linguistic Society volumes were retrodigitized and are now part of eLanguage

It should also be mentioned that, from the spring meeting onwards, BLS will publish the proceedings directly in eLanguage without an embargo period.

A total of 783 book notices were published. There is no more backlog, thanks to the admirable work of the Book Notice Editor.

50 extended abstracts (enlarged version of the LSA meeting abstracts) were published of the 2010 meeting and 38 of the 2011 meeting.

The global impression and fast worldwide impact made by eLanguage is reflected by the fact that, all in all, the around 2000 articles that have appeared in eLanguage have been downloaded 856,399 times. By this figure is meant not “page impressions” (visits to the pages), but genuine PDF downloads. The latter continue to increase steadily.

Finally, eLanguage and the LSA were represented at the “Berlin9” meeting on Open Access (“Transforming Science”) at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (Bethesda) by Mark Liberman, Cornelius Puschmann and Dieter Stein.

Cornelius Puschmann

Dieter Stein

## Addendum E: Signatories to Resolution Thanking Anne Mark

David Adger	James C. T. Huang	Massimo Piattelli-
Diana Archangeli	Sabine Iatridou	Palmerini
Robert Berwick	Tania Ionin	Janet B. Pierrehumbert
Rajesh Bhatt	Ray Jackendoff	Paul Platero
Jonathan David Bobaljik	Kyle Johnson	Maria Polinsky
Ellen Broselow	Yoonjung Kang	Bill Poser
Seth Cable	Simin Karimi	Paul Postal
Emmanuel Chemla	Richard Kayne	Omer Preminger
Karen Chenausky	Chris Kennedy	Norvin Richards
Lisa Cheng	Michael Kenstowicz	Jason Riggie
Noam Chomsky	Samuel Jay Keyser	Elizabeth Ritter
Sandra Chung	Paul Kiparsky	Luigi Rizzi
Guglielmo Cinque	Jaklin Kornfilt	Cilene Rodrigues
Jennifer Cole	Tony Kroch	Maribel Romero
Stephen Crane	Howard Lasnik	Doug Saddy
Peter Culicover	Mary Laughren	Ivan Sag
Ewa Czaykowska-Higgins	Will Leben	Andres Pablo Salanova
Denis Delfitto	Julie Anne Legate	Vaijyanthi Sarma
Francois Dell	Beth Levin	Uli Sauerland
Dick Demers	Rochelle Lieber	Carson Schutze
David Embick	Giuseppe Longobardi	Elizabeth Selkirk
Michael Yoshitaka	Barbara Catherine Lust	Jane Simpson
Erlewine	Gita Martohardjono	William Snyder
Ann Farmer	Juan Mascaro	Nick Sobin
Suzanne Flynn	John McCarthy	Margaret Speas
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Bruce Fraser	Jason Merchant	Edward Stabler
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## Addendum F eLanguage Statistics

The global impression and fast worldwide fast impact made by eLanguage is reflected by the fact that, all in all, the some 2000 articles that have appeared in eLanguage have been downloaded **856.399** times. By this figure is meant not "page impressions" (visits to the pages) but genuine PDF downloads. The latter continue to increase steadily.

### Four new cojournals admitted in 2011:

- Diachronic syntax (Editor: Ian Roberts, Cambridge)
- Phonology (Editor: Eric Bakovic, San Diego)
- Teaching linguistics to students ( Hiramatsu Kazuko, Flint)
- Research in Corpus Linguistic (Javier Pérez-Guerra, Vigo)

### New conference proceedings:

- Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) was added.
- The Berkeley Linguistic Society volumes were retrodigitized and are now part of eLanguage.

From the spring meeting 2012 onwards, BLS will publish the proceedings directly in eLanguage without embargo period.

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2007-2010	2011
US 34%	US 55%
Germany 6%	Germany 8%
UK 5%	Japan 4%
Canada 4%	Canada 4%
Australia 3%	Russia 4%
India 3%	UK 3%
Philippines 2%	China 3%
China 2%	Philippines 1%
Netherlands	Indonesia 2%
Italy 2%	1%
Other 37%	Other 17%
188 countries total	

