

**Minutes – MPSA Hybrid Spring Council Meeting | Thursday, 04/07/2022, Noon until 2:45pm Central
(In-Person Luncheon Noon – 12:45 PM and Hybrid Council Meeting 12:45 -2:45 PM)**

- Consent Agenda:** *If a report is provided in advance, there is no formal presentation, only Q & A.*
Code of Conduct: *Code of Conduct forms must be completed, signed, and reviewed before the meeting may start.*
Action Items * *Require a vote to accept the report, budget, or motion. Committee reports do not require a second.*
Executive Sessions: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/o2eqr5shz8kq2vb/Procedure-Meetings%20and%20Executive%20Sessions.pdf?dl=0>
Council Orientation: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/cl/fi/5c3efk22cqn3xxt30aogf/Council-Orination-Information.docx?dl=0&rkey=bilf03npl1uxat6rhr4gqkc6>

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS (Rick Wilson)

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 PM Central Time.

2. BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

A. Approve Minutes from the Previous Council Meeting (Rick Wilson) *

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. It passed unanimously.

B. Reauthorize Check Signing Authority (Rick Wilson) *

A motion was made and seconded to reauthorize check signing authority for the Executive Director and to add check-signing authority for the Treasurer, Kyle Saunders. It passed unanimously.

3. REPORTS - Questions and Discussion

A. Executive Director's Report on Programs & Activities (William Morgan) *

Included discussion of the hybrid conference format and conference attendance as a driver of membership. A motion was passed and recorded to accept the report. It passed unanimously.

B. Award Winners (Rick Wilson)

Award winners are listed on the [MPSA website](#).

C. Report on the AJPS (Kathy Dolan, Jen Lawless) *

The Co-Editors presented their report on the status of the AJPS. The report was accepted by the Council.

D. Financial Report (Will Morgan) *

The financial report was approved.

E. Report on Membership Revocation Policy (Rick Wilson) *

The membership revocation policy was approved.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Conference Program Chair Report (Kim Yi Dionne, Candis Watts Smith)

Suggestions were made to add a conference section on LGBTQ+ politics (separate from the existing LGBTQ+ Caucus section) and to consider updating the name of the India and Southeast Asia section. A potential round-robin session format was also discussed. The report was accepted by the Council.

B. MPSA Employee Severance Policy (William Morgan) *

The severance policy was discussed during Executive Session.

C. Election of New Corporate Officers Vote of membership will occur during Business Meeting, (Rick Wilson) *

President - Eleanor Neff Powell, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Vice President - Lisa Garcia Bedolla, UC Berkeley

Council Members -

Zaryab Iqbal, Penn State University

Rocio Titunik, Princeton University

Laurel Elder, Hartwick College

Gbemende Esubiyi Johnson, Hamilton College

Jason Roberts, University of North Carolina

5. ADJOURNMENT (Rick Wilson)