



Ohio Communication Association  
Business Meeting  
Clark State Community College, Springfield, Ohio  
October 7, 2017

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**12:45pm: Meeting called to order.**

**Liane, OCA President** – Welcome

Kendall Hunt Representative acknowledges authors who are present, speaks to the success of the conference and OCA.

**Conference Coordinator Report:**

- Julie Semlak offers a recap of conference content, plug for next year's conference at Wayne College in Orrville, Ohio.

**Journal Editor Report:** Amber Ferris

- Reviews in progress for volume 56
  - o 29 submissions, 40% from Ohio
  - o Decisions will be sent out within the month
- Volume 55 – publication date changed a couple of years ago to February
  - o 36 submissions from all over the country; 15 accepted for publication
- All types of research published
- Looking for new reviewers – email Amber or Laura via the website
- Last year, the journal won the CSCA outstanding journal award for printed anniversary edition.
- Laura will be moving into the editor position soon.

**Executive Director's Report:** Michelle Coleman

- Announces and shows the new website.
- Undergraduate conference in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year.
- This is Clarke State's second time hosting, first time in 2010.
- If you want to be a part of the board or more involved in OCA, let Michelle know.

**Vice President's Report:** Tammy Bosley

- Acknowledged Jeff Tyus, the awards coordinator, for the work done for the awards ceremony the night before.
- Next year the conference will be at Wayne College.
- If your institution would like to host the conference in the next 5 years, please speak to the district reps.
- Election – voting now open via the link in your email. See Alyssa if you did not get the email.

**Sponsorship Coordinator's Report:** Erin Hollenbaugh

- Opportunity Fair timing is different this year, allowing for the partner organizations to be present for the undergraduate pre-conference.
- Raised \$100 more this year than last year; offsets the cost of the conference to keep the membership registration low.
  - o Adjunct membership rate coming next year.



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- Kendall Hunt, McGraw Hill, University of Akron, University of Cincinnati, University of Findlay, IUP, Kent State University, Youngstown State University, Ashland University are our program partners this year.
- If your organization is interested in being a partner, please email Erin via the website. Also check out the partner's page on the website!

**Awards Coordinator Report:** Jeff Tyus,

- Thanks those who nominated people, please nominate next year for awards.
- Going to be streamlining the process for nominations
- Also be changing the timing for submissions from Summer to end of Spring.
- Last night at the awards ceremony, we recognized many students and student organizations.
- Top Undergraduate Student Poster went to Cassandra Flemming from Denison University.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:14pm**