

GSS Executive Board Meeting Agenda
Friday, April 15, 2022 – 11am EST

Attending: Simone Gray, Claire Bowen, Michael Messner, Emily Molfino, Jennifer Parker, Kathy Irvine, and Jessica Holzberg

Regrets: Stephan Campbell and Lisa Mirel

Next GSS Board Meeting: May 20, 2022 @ 11am EST

- Simone may need miss next meeting due to school schedule

Action Items in Red

Emily will update the calendar as wrong dates are show

1. Administrative Items

- a. Roll Call
- b. Minutes/Action items from previous meeting
 - i. Board approved minutes from the March 18th meeting
 - ii. Action items:
 1. New Feb/Mar member e-mails are still pending
 2. Spring newsletter went out
 3. Zoom plan purchased

Mentoring page still needs to be update. Mike has not updated due to no editing permission. Emily will update something Mike send.

Emily will post newsletter on micro set

2. Member & Activities Updates

- a. Simone: CHANCE issue on Government Statistics articles
 - i. Dione Price has agreed to do a special interview for the piece.
 - ii. Two short bios on GSS members for the issue
- b. Emily/Steve: Federal hiring process article for CHANCE
 - i. Use as reference the HSS recruitment webinar (part 3)
 - ii. End of May due
- c. Claire: NISS activities – Simone will attend May meeting
 - i. During the meeting, there was discussion about NSS hosting a panel about how different group/organization/branch names can effect their role (statistician vs data science).
 - ii. Mike reached out to Elizabeth Manchart for her take and Claire will work to start this.
 - iii. Participants also discussed how they could increase engagement with government. Board discussed how there needs to be incentive and a framework so that outside agency activities are built in performance evaluations. Otherwise, workers must do the work during their free time and that has limitation.
- d. Mike: Committee updates [Mentoring, Wray Jackson Smith scholarship, Jeanne E. Griffith Award, Fellows, Roger Herriot Award]
 - i. Mentoring
 1. There was no wrap meeting with mentoring program. Only one mentee responded to the mentoring program. There appears to be zoom fatigue.
 2. Committee is hoping that something can be done in person (either during or after the business meeting).
 - ii. Awards

1. Mike reached out to award committees.
2. There were questions about where awards come from.

Emily will find out which award was sent out last year (Emily will update Mike and Simone).

Mike will review their microsite. He will review to make sure it is all updated.

- e. Kathy: Newsletter updates
 - i. Send a short newsletter pre JSM and one in fall wrapping up JSM
 - ii. Board discussed that we should send something to Amstat news for JSM. There is a two-month deadline for Amstat Stat, which means end of May for July issue. There is a 1200 word limit.

3. New Ideas and Discussion Topics

- a. JSM business meeting
 - i. JSM typically reached out about business meeting. They should have contacted us at this point.
 - ii.

Need more JSM updates from Steve.

- b. Simone did talk to Naomi (ASA) and the plan is “full speed ahead” for in-person.

Simone will reach out to Steve to if he heard.

Simone will send a spreadsheet to you next week highlighting various sections of interest.

- c. Membership outreach/new member recruitment ideas
 - i. More member involvement
 1. Board invited a new member to observe the meeting. Board asked her what she was interested in. She said local chapters are of interest and that is was a great idea to offer new members to sit in on meeting.
 2. Messaging is important
 - a. For comparison, board looked at AAPOR. Most attended conference for immediate area. AAPOR can be better socially because it is smaller. JSM can be overwhelming. Quality of presentation can be varied due to size. AAPOR has list fringe benefits.
 3. Birds of feather during JSM should in the newsletter.
 - a. Every day or two? We need Come up with catchy theme.

Claire is chairing a government session and volunteered to host one.

Board should see if one of the speakers wants to 'lead' a birds of feather.

- d. Events calendar/deadlines

Simone will send out calendars and board will update accordingly.