American Statistical Association
Section on Teaching of Statistics in the Health Sciences
Minutes of the June 2020 Executive Committee Meeting
June 19, 2020

Attendees: Laila Poisson (Chair), Amy Nowacki (Past Chair), Ann Brearley (Chair-Elect), Maria Ciarleglio (Program Chair), Jaya Satagopan (Program Chair-Elect), Bob Oster (Secretary/Treasurer), John Doucette (Communications Officer), Heather Hoffman (Publicity Officer), Ed Gracely (Webmaster), Carol Bigelow (Portal Representative), Travis Loux (Resource Review Editor)

Unable to attend: Jose-Miguel Yamal (Council of Sections Representative)

CALL TO ORDER
• Laila called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM (Eastern).

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MAY 2020 MINUTES
• Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 15 meeting. The motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved.

TREASURY REPORT
• Bob provided a brief treasurer’s report. He noted that the treasury balance on June 18 was $17,465.00. The balance on January 1 was $16,269.34.
• Bob noted that there were no expenses since the May 15 meeting. Income included section dues (new memberships and membership renewals).

PUBLICITY OFFICER UPDATES
• Heather provided an update on TSHS publicity activities. The draft publications survey (for 2018-2019) and draft grants survey (for 2018-2019) was reviewed and discussed. Information obtained on the grants survey should include the grant title, funding agency, duration, and a link to the publically available abstract page. Both surveys will be offered only to members. Links to the survey will appear on the ASA Community and also on the section blog. The results of the publications survey will appear in the open area of the section website and the results of the grants survey will appear in the closed area of the section website.

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER UPDATES
• John made recent blog posts.
• It was noted that committee members were not receiving notifications for all of the blog posts. John will work on getting this fixed. In the interim, he will let committee members know when he posts new articles to the blog.

WEBMASTER UPDATES
• Ed added a link to the section blog (to the TSHS website).

AWARDS COMMITTEE
• There were no new updates from Amy.

TSHS PORTAL UPDATE
• Carol has been in touch with the Chair of the Biopharmaceutical Section about that section’s possible interest in using and contributing to the TSHS Resources Portal. She has been attempting to contact the Chairs of the following sections: Stat Ed, Consulting, Biometrics, and Statistics in Epidemiology. Jaya will contact the American Association for Cancer Education. Ann will contact the Consulting section.

COS NEWS
• Status of history section narrative
  o There were no new updates from Bob.

MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION
• TSHS Handbook Status
  o Carol is in the process of updating the handbook.
• Mentoring Committee
  o Constantine Daskalakis would like to step down as committee chair but will remain on the committee.
• Promoting Promotions Committee
  o Felicity Enders would like to step down as committee chair but will remain on the committee.
• Chance publications
  o Carol is writing up a paper on the use of the TSHS Resource Portal. She will encourage members to contribute datasets and teaching resources to the Portal (as well as encouraging them to use the Portal).
• TSHS Resource Portal publication
  o Same as above.

JSM 2020 UPDATES
• Maria and Jaya provided updates on the TSHS JSM 2020 program.
• Formal presentations
  o Talk schedule, Roundtables
    ▪ All JSM sessions are now scheduled. The TSHS invited panel session has been canceled. All TSHS topic contributed sessions, topic contributed panels, contributed paper sessions, and roundtables remain on the schedule. The topic contributed sessions will be live.
  o Best talk award
• Networking/Social
  o TSHS/Stat Ed “booth”
  o Mixer (format, awards/news, prizes)
    ▪ Doug Landsittel provided a number of good suggestions via the TSHS section listserv for holding a virtual section mixer at JSM using Zoom.
    ▪ There will be an open part in the beginning and then breakout rooms to cover various topics. We may need to make all attendees co-hosts so that they can go from room to room. We will find out if we can add door prizes to the mixer.
  o Summer Webinar
    ▪ Amy noted that the next TSHS webinar will take place at the end of July.
  o Promoting membership participation (see above)

OTHER ITEMS
• There were no other items to discuss.
NEXT MEETING
• A special JSM 2020 planning meeting will take place on July 10, 2020 at 1:00 PM (Eastern).
• The next TSHS executive committee meeting will take place on July 17, 2020 at 1:00 PM (Eastern).

ADJOURNMENT
• Laila adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM (Eastern).