

Organization for Research on Women and Communication
Annual Business Meeting Minutes
Saturday, February 17, 2018

- I. Call to Order at 5:49pm**
- II. Approval of 2017 Business Meeting Minutes**
- III. Officer Reports**
 - A. Marnel Niles Goins, President
 - i. successful conference with theme of mindfulness
 - ii. Karma Chavez and Lisa Flores will be on the 2019 grant review committee
 - B. Leslie Harris, Vice President
 - i. Next year's conference theme is "advocating with evidence"—please submit
 - C. Alyssa Samek, Treasurer
 - i. We are fiscally healthy
 - ii. We have had a bump in membership and continue to benefit from journal downloads
 - iii. We are continuing to focus on socially responsible investments
 - iv. See report (attached)
 - D. Diane Keeling, Membership and Webspinner
 - i. Auto reminders are helping to improve membership numbers
 - ii. See report (attached)
 - E. Kristen Hoerl, Editor, *Women's Studies in Communication*

There will be a special issue on the me too movement with guest editor Lisa Corrigan, July deadline for submissions

The journal remains strong with a 13% acceptance rate. We will continue to encourage strong submissions.
 - F. Melissa Harris and Jyleesa Hampton, Graduate Student Representatives
 - i. Had a great Ask the Oracle column in the last newsletter
- IV. Voting Items**
 - A. Increase in ORWAC grant amounts, Marnel Niles Goins

The executive board recommends an increase in possible grant awards to \$2,500 per award. The board also recommends increasing the number of categories to add an undergraduate category and contingent faculty category, with the understanding that not all categories will necessarily receive awards each year. The proposal was unanimously passed.
 - B. Funding of the Feminist Communication Archive Collection, Sonja Foss

ORWAC was asked to fund the Feminist Communication Archive Collection at the University of Oregon's Knight Library. The initial request was for \$38,375. The executive board recommended providing \$10,000 in matching funds available over two years. The motion passed.

V. Officer Elections

- A. Vice President—Ruth Hickerson, Univ. of Colorado, Bolder was elected
- B. Graduate Student Representative—Megan Cullinan, Univ. of Utah was elected

VI. Awards

- A. Top Student Paper: Jed Chalupa, Colorado State University, “Scapegoating to Preserve Hegemonic Ideology: An Examination of Criminal Minds’ Representation of Sex Work as a Means of Hegemonic Maintenance”
- B. Top Undergraduate Student Paper: Danielle C. Biss, California State University, San Marcos, “(En)Gendering Hegemonic Representations of Disability in *The Bridge*”
- C. Top Debut Paper: Marguerite Nguyen Lehann, The Pennsylvania State University, “Gender N/A: Identity Disclosure in Activist Discourse and the ? Persona”
- D. Top Paper: Whitney Neukam, University of Utah, “Transphobic, Racist, and Classist Ideologies in the Women’s March on Washington: A Critique of White Feminism”
- E. Feminist Scholar of the Year: Raquel Moreira [“Now that I’m a Whore, Nobody is Holding Me Back!”: Women in Favela Funk and Embodied Politics](#)

VII. Announcements

- A. 2018 Call for ORWAC Grant Applications, Marnel Niles Goins
- B. Nominations for WSIC Editor, Leslie Harris and Kristen Hoerl

VIII. Adjournment

Membership and Webspinner Report

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Submitted by Diane Marie Keeling

Membership

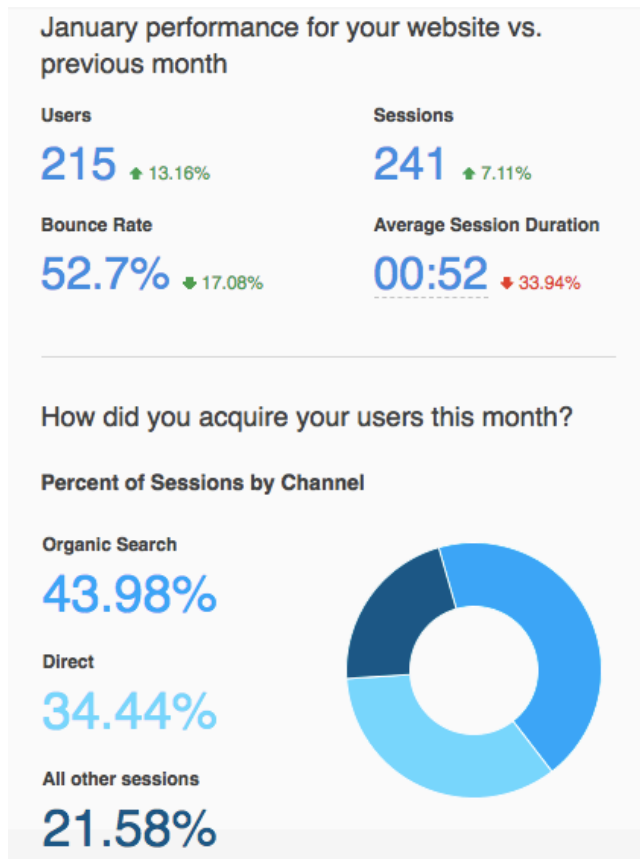
Year	Memberships Reported at WSCA ORWAC Meeting	Fiscal Year Income
2015	192	\$2,880.00
2016	“Lower” – Transfer of website to membership	\$3,000.00
2017	114 – Started using auto-reminders	\$ 4,070.00
2018	140	Reported next year

Website

The auto-reminders of membership lapses have been a success given increase in membership numbers and income

WSCA ORWAC meeting minutes are now archived in Members Only area (2015-present)

I’ve begun receiving monthly Google Analytics reports



ORWAC Financial Report
FY 2017
Submitted by Alyssa Samek, Treasurer

Income

Interest	1,967.94
Membership Subscription	4,070.00
Royalties	20,947.80
Matured investments	22,000.00
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Total Income	48,985.74

Expenses

Administrative	14,203.57
Receptions, website management, editor stipend, tax prep, banking fee, plaques, printing costs)	
Gifts/Awards (WSCA paper awards + 5 research grants)	6,600.00
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Total Expenses	20,803.57

Investments

CD BMW Bank	25,000
CD Discover Bank	25,000
CD Goldman Sachs	20,000
CD Capital One Bank	15,000
CD Discover Bank	20,000
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Total Investments	105,000

Account Balances

Checking	62,965.32
Investments	105,000
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Total balance	167, 965.32