



LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Meeting of the LASA Executive Council
May 29, 2013, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington DC

	Action Items	Status
1	The minutes of the November 10, 2012 meeting of the EC are approved as presented.	---
2	The projected budget for the LASA2014 Congress is approved as presented.	---
3	The Congress grant structure will stay as it is but the \$20,000 set aside for US grants will have \$5000 taken from it for presenters from the rest of the world.	Done.
4	Congress travel grant applicants should present a statement of need with their grant application.	Done.
5	Proponents of future resolutions must 1) provide data to substantiate the "whereas" clause; 2) demonstrate that named parties were given an opportunity to respond; and 3) propose actions that are realistic. The EC must also approve any capital expenditure before it goes forward, and these must be reasonable expenditures.	Done. Revised guidelines posted on the LASA site under the Governance page.
6	The Resolution on Wikileaks and Whistleblowers is passed as modified.	Done.
7	The Resolution on Obama Policy is passed.	Done.
8	Future EC meetings will take place annually, coinciding with the annual Congress, and the newly-elected EC members will be invited to the meeting that takes place before they begin their term of office.	Done.

	Consensus	Status
1	Charlie Hale should be asked about the status of the book on Otros Saberes.	The book is finalized. A PDF of the book is posted on the LASA-Otros Saberes site.
2	LASA will add to the Sections Manual that the section elections should parallel EC elections and nominees will submit a brief bio and a statement of their priorities if elected.	Done.
3	At the meeting of section chairs Huber will present the argument for allowing LASA to conduct section elections and ask the chairs to respond to the Secretariat by a certain date to indicate their preference for Secretariat-conducted or section-conducted elections.	Done.

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