



# LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

**Meeting of LASA Executive Council  
May 26, 2015; Caribe Hilton Hotel, San Juan PR**

<b>Action Items</b>	
1	The minutes of the May 20, 2014 meeting of the Executive Council are approved as presented.
2	The LASA budget for 2016 is approved as presented.
3	An increase of \$5 to membership dues is approved as presented.
4	The Leadership Circles Gift Campaign was approved without names for each category and reflecting only levels based on dollar amounts.
5	The Celebratory/Fundraising Dinner for the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LASA is approved as presented.
6	The Gifts and Named Funds Policy is approved as amended.
7	The LASA Congress will remain as an annual congress.
8	To allow incoming EC members as soon as they are elected not only to participate in the EC meeting but also to have the right, obligation, and responsibility to vote.
9	To increase the number of regular issues of LARR (once it transitions to Open Access) from three to four, and to add no more than one special issue per year.

<b>Consensus</b>	
1	Every individual paper submission will be first redirected to use LASA's Panels Wanted service to encourage participants to join in a panel rather than to submit an individual proposal. These individuals will be redirected only ONCE allowing them to submit an individual proposal if they still so desire after the first try.
2	Lima is chosen for LASA2017 with Barcelona and Montreal as backups as approved by Ways & Means the day before.
3	Barcelona is chosen as site for LASA2018 as approved by Ways & Means the day before.
4	The following sites are suggested to be explored for future congresses: Canary Islands Bahia, Puebla, San Antonio, Austin, Buenos Aires, Santiago de Chile and Hawaii.
5	Castillo, Joseph, and Rappaport will meet with graduate students to listen to their ideas and will suggest that the EC is open to the idea of representation of graduate students on the Executive Council if that is what they desire and that procedures could be discussed later.
6	There is not enough support for doing a constitutional change to change the term of EC members.

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