



LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Meeting of LASA Executive Council

May 26, 2016; Hilton Midtown New York; New York, NY

	Action Items	Status
1	Find affordable transportation or find manageable alternatives for transportation in Lima.	Mass transportation will be provided to / from hotels to/ from the Catholic University. Small shuttles will be circulating during the day. Additionally, taxi companies have been contacted to be available at all the main hotels during the Congress.
2	Include section grants in the Travel Grants report for reference.	Included.
3	Ensure the program chairs want their names on the acceptance/reject letters in the future.	On November 14 th , the Program Chairs and President were contacted about changes to the acceptance/reject letters and their changes were incorporated.
4	Armony and Chazkel committed to doing and sending the Program Chair final report.	2016 Program Chair Report was not received.
5	Burt will put together a policy on Human Rights for the next EC Virtual meeting.	Done. A revised version was requested for the Lima EC meeting.
6	Burt to write letter on Corte Interamericana for the EC to sign.	Mili asked Jo-Marie about the status of this.
7	Pereyra to send a note to the membership that the EC approved a student EC member so that membership can vote on this amendment to the constitution.	Proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws were sent to the LASA membership in the third week of April via the LASA Forum. The membership may object the changes until July 23, 2017
8	The letter honoring individuals is tabled for later discussion because there is no policy on this.	Added to EC agenda for the Lima meeting

	Consensus Items	Status
1	The Consent Agenda is approved.	---
2	The minutes of the May 2016 meeting of the Executive Council are approved as presented.	---
3	The LASA budget for 2017 are approved.	---
4	Boston will be the city for LASA2019, with ten votes.	Contract signed.
5	The Strategic Plan is approved.	---
6	Brazil resolution will be taken to the business meeting and then to membership for a vote.	Done.
7	The Executive Council authorizes LASA to send five people to be determined by the President and Secretariat as official observers of the impeachment trial at the Senate in Brazil and to report on the entire impeachment process since November '15.	Done. Report pending.
8	Funds from the reserves will be used to sponsor the Brazil Delegation.	Done.
9	LASA will sign the letter from the Inter-American Human Rights Commission about the Corte Interamericana as an association via Joseph as the president of LASA. Dr. Gilbert Joseph in representation of the Latin American Studies Association, President.	Done? Mili asked Jo-Marie.
10	There will be an EC student member.	In process.
11	Student membership period will be extended to seven years.	Done. Included in amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.
12	The Emergency Succession Policy is accepted.	---
13	Continuation of the LARC Project is approved.	The LARC portal was launched on March 8 th . A co-editor-in-Chief residing in Latin America was appointed. Currently there are three journals sponsored by LARC. The platform is ready to receive book proposals. Institutions and scholars in Latin America have been contacted inviting them to publish with LARC. Partnerships with LA institutions are being developed. A LARC administrative person is in the process of being hired.

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