



# LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

## LASA Executive Council Meeting

April 27, 2017; Centro Cultural, Universidad Católica de Lima; Lima, Perú

	Action Items	Status
1	P. Tovar and Lasa Secretariat will request the list of companies that are considered “socially responsible” where the organization is currently investing. The findings will be presented during the next EC Meeting.	Neuberger Berman SRI 12% iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social Index Fund 33.4% TIAA-CREF Social Choice Bond Fund 3.0%  November 6, 2017 Investment Committee Decision: 3.1% (1.55% each) in the following funds:  PXNIX (Pax MSCI International ESG Index Fund) DOMIX (Domini Impact International Equity Fund)
2	Pereyra to prepare forecast projections for the new membership model. The findings need to be presented during the next EC meeting.	See: Forecast for 2017
3	Pereyra to prepare a Pie Chart to go over how the funds received for membership are distributed and communication that can be added for reference. This information will be presented to membership during the fourth quarter of 2017.	PENDING
4	Pereyra and LASA Secretariat to prepare a communication for all current members explaining the new membership model and going over the new categories and the sources of information/data used	Done. See Fall 2017 LASA Forum. Pages 16-18.
5	Burt will start working on identifying possible candidates that can be part of the new subcommittee for Human Rights under the Academic Freedom commission	Asked Jo-Marie 11/7/17

6	Panfichi will work on the revised version for the Venezuelan Section Resolution proposal so the section can review accordingly	Done
7	EC committee members will send their feedback and suggestions for the Strategic Plan so Rappaport can edit the current document for the next EC meeting accordingly	
8	Oversight committee will present the communications ideas and feedback received for the Strategic Plan on the next scheduled EC meeting.	Mili: Look at July SPC minutes
9	J. Rappaport asked to resume the discussion about LARR and what is its association with LASA for the next scheduled EC meeting	Added to December 2017 agenda
10	EC members to contact Pereyra to join the Mentoring Network and actively collaborate with the new Student Section	---
11	C. Ferman will work with the Academic Freedom committee to identify a communication mechanism suitable for all of the sections registered with LASA.	Asked Claudia 11/7/17
12	C. Ferman needs to identify which sections can be reach out so she can move forward with the proposal sent by Institute of International Education's Scholar Rescue Fund (IIE- SRF)	Asked Claudia 11/7/17
13	Spenser needs to identified EC members that can assist with the selection of Graduate students that will be potential candidates for the Research Student Grant	Asked Daniela 11/7/17
14	Funding and Grant Requirements will need to be discussed during the next EC Meeting.	Added to December 2017 agenda
15	T. Power to prepare letter directed to the <b>Scholarly Resources section</b> so they can regularize their membership quota.	Done.
16	Pérez-Liñán to check with Dossiers' associate editors to identify options for South American proposals. Findings will be presented during the next EC Meeting.	Asked Anibal 11/7/17

	<b>Consensus</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	The minutes for May and December 2016 EC meetings are approved.	---
2	The Consent Agenda is approved.	---
	The Treasury report is approved.	---
3	The Executive Council approves the LASA budget for 2017-2018.	---
4	The Executive Council approves the New LASA Membership model structure.	Implementation: November 1, 2017
5	The Executive Council approves the registration proposal including to add a new category that will benefit independent or non-affiliated academic scholars that cannot afford the normal member fee is approved.	Done
6	The Executive Council approves that all members making over 80,000 a year will be a part of the top full category regardless of where they reside.	Done
7	The Executive Council approves the Fundraising report.	---
8	The Executive Council approves the change for travel grants - from hotel accommodations to a flat amount of \$500.00 USD in cash payable at the Congress site for all travel grantees. Requirements and deadlines for travel grants remain the same.	Implementation: LASA2018
9	The Executive Council confirms Boston as the official site for LASA 2019 with seven votes in favor, three votes against and no abstentions.	---
10	The Executive Council approves the proposal for Mexico City to be the first choice of location for LASA 2020.	---
11	The Executive Council authorizes the LASA Secretariat to start logistic efforts to pursue Mexico as the location for 2020.	In Process
12	The Executive Council approves to creation for two subcommittees one that will cover Academic Freedom and one that will focus on Human Rights under the current Academic Freedom Committee.	---
13	The Executive Council approves the proposal to vote on resolutions during both EC meetings (May and December).	See: Revision to ByLaws and Procedures proposal

14	The Executive Council approves the proposal sent by the Venezuelan section with two contingencies: to revise/rephrase the wording in the proposed resolution and remove entirely the option to send a delegation to Venezuela. Once the EC committee approves the revised proposal, Membership can proceed with a vote.	Done
15	The Executive Council approves to promote the Student Research grant for five graduate students. It will target graduate students that would like to develop their research and they will have the option to present their work during the conference but they will not be required to assist to the conference.	See: Student Research Grant Implementation Draft
16	The Executive Council approves the reinstatement of the <b>Sección de Leyes</b> since it was removed by an oversight by the LASA Secretariat.	The Secretariat tried several times to contact former Section chairs with no success
17	The Executive Council approves to notify one more time the <b>Scholarly Resources section</b> so they can regularize their membership quota to be compliant with the rest of the LASA sections	Done. Membership is now above 50.
18	The Executive Council approves Latin American Research Review report.	---
19	The Executive Council approves Latin American Research Commons report.	---

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