

# BUSINESS MEETING 04/5/2024

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5 APRIL 2023 / 4:15 PM / ROOM Frisco V

## ATTENDEES

Carson Kay, Colin Cameron, Melissa Smith, Barry Smith, Bill Harlow, Brian Brantley, Jean DeHart, Amy Whiteside, Aubrey Studebaker, Morgan Newton

## AGENDA

Movement to approve minutes from 2023 approved

### I. Agenda

- Update (Planner)
  - Location for 2027 established: Mobile, AL
  - Location for 2028 still in discussion: potential locations - Houston, Little Rock, Memphis
  - Potential Anchor Site discussed
- Strategic Com Director: Kevin's duties will be split into two roles
  - One person for marketing
  - One for communication updates
- Officially adopted a new division: African American Communication Division
- Business meeting discussion in Wed meeting:
  - Issues with overlap between meetings and people not being able to attend more than one
  - Next year: Attempt to organize meetings in a scattered format to allow multiple time slots
  - Next year, division meetings may be organized differently
- Vice Chair Report:
  - Submissions this year:
  - 10 submissions: 8 papers; 2 panels
  - 4/8 papers accepted; both panels accepted
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#### IV. Old Business

- Awards:
- Top Paper Award:
  - Cheryl Maiorca (University of Nebraska-Omaha)
  - Amy Whiteside (University of Arkansas)

#### V. New Business

- Theme for 2025: Anchors and Anchoring Communication

#### Elections

- Matthew Farmer: Planning next year
- Colin Cameron: Term as secretary complete
- Nomination for Barry Smith to be elected for Web Mastered:
  - Nomination closed
  - Barry Smith elected
- Nomination for Vice-Chair elect: Colin Cameron
  - Nomination closed
  - Colin Cameron elected as Vice-Chair elect
- Nomination for Secretary: Cheryl Maiorca
  - Nominations closed
  - Cheryl Maiorca elected

Motion to adjourn

#### NOTES

For future submissions: reminder that submissions do not have to be U.S. centric; political communication abroad welcomed/encouraged