Summary of STP Electronic Voting for 2007

Individual Appointments:

- Jeff Stowell as Internet Editor (Vote #1)
- Regan Gurung as Chair of the Ad Hoc Working Group to review the APA’s National Guidelines for Teaching High School Psychology (Vote 7a)
- Amy Hackeny as STP’s representative for Early Career Psychologist Network (Vote 7b)
- Approval of transfer of the GSTA from the Univ. of Akron to UNH with leadership structure: Victor Advisor: Victor B., GSTA Chair: Rachel R., GSTA Associate Chairs: Bethany F. & Michael F., Communications Editor: Karla L., and GSTA Membership Committee: Jennifer S., Joshua D., Jacqueline H., Christopher H. (Vote #14)
- Approval of Janie Wilson for STP Programming Director (Vote #15)
- Appointment of Pam Ansburg as Grants activities committee chair. (Vote #16)
- Appointment of Barney Beins E-Publications Editor. (Vote #18)
- Offer Ed Position to Ed Bosack and the current STP President will work out detail of offer with him. (Vote #26)

New Committees and Working Groups:

- Establish a Grant Activities committee, with a Chair appointed by the President. Goals are to administer the small grants program, work with others in announcing grant opportunities, and finding ways to take advantage of APA grant opportunities. (Vote #12)
- Establish an ad hoc working group on “funding requests.” (Vote #23)
- Establish an ad hoc working group to develop and propose a course of action to establish an electronic newsletter, either stand alone or in conjunction with a print version. The group’s work will be open to revision by the EC and by the TOPEC. (Vote #31)
- Establish an ad hoc working group on lapsed membership. (Vote #42)
- Establish ED transition ad hoc working group. (Vote #44)
- Establish a faculty development small grants program committee with chair and membership of committee appoint by Buskist/McCarthy. (Vote #47)
- Establish ad hoc working group on STP archives to provide EC with recommendations for the archiving of STP materials. (Vote #50)
- Establish 3 task forces (unification, resources, and restructuring) for the STP 2008 operating year under Maureen McCarthy. (Vote #52)

New Policies or Revisions of Existing Polices:
• Each STP position involving release time ("course buyouts") be funded at a level commensurate with the rate of compensation for a one-course release at the institution of the person who is serving at the position. (Vote #9)

• STP President awarding Presidential citations during term for individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to teaching. Citations announced at Business Hours. Final decisions on citations rest with President. (Vote #11)

• The Past-President and the STP Council of Representatives review qualifications of APA Presidential candidates related to the mission of STP and make recommendations to the EC. The EC will then determine endorsement(s), if any. (Vote #17)

• STP create a poster award—the STP poster award for Excellence in Scholarship and Teaching for the annual NITOP conference. (Vote #19)

• Approve raising the funding of the at-large members of the LRPC for travel to the annual APA meeting from $500 to a level that will always remain equal to the funding provided to EC members (currently $1,000). (Vote #22)

• STP to permit ads related to mission in newsletter. Secretary determine relevancy of ads. Secretary consult with Publications Committee. Prices are (repeat ads in parentheses): Full page $400 ($375), Half page $250 ($225), Quarter page $150 ($125), and Business card $75 ($50). (Vote #25)

• One of hospitality suite functions at APA meeting be an celebration of STP members who are retiring from active teaching. Director of Programming should organize the event. (Vote #28)

• The Chair of the Elections and Appts. Committee to contact each STP candidate for division office and inform him or her of the voting results relative to that office. Once the E&A Chair has contacted all STP candidates regarding the outcomes of division elections, E&A Chair will post the results to the TOPEC Web site. (Vote #29)

• Name the Early Career Teaching Excellence award in honor of Jane S. Halonen so that henceforth this award will permanently be called the Jane S. Halonen Teaching Excellence award (given to a teacher who is in his/her first 5 years of teaching at any level). (Vote #32)

• STP establish a warehouse in Bill Addison’s office for all back issues of TOP journal that are currently scattered throughout the world and any other paraphernalia or memorabilia that is STP-related and doesn’t have a decent home. (Vote #37)

• Accept the GSTA plan for implementing the recommendations to enhance graduate education and training in teaching offered by the Graduate Education and Training in Teaching task force. (Vote #45)

• Approve the Ad Hoc Committee on Funding Requests Recommendations to: consolidate all STP grants into one granting program, establish an annual total grants budget, and form a standing STP grants committee to oversee all society grant activity. (Vote #48)

• Approve the 3-year term limits for members of the newly formed STP Grants Committee. (Vote # 51)

• Move that EC temporarily permit the STP grants committee to direct and oversee the grant and funding activities of STP as a regular non-standing committee until
such time as action can be taken to change the by-laws to make it a standing committee. (Vote #53)

- Move to accept the revised job description for the position of Executive Director. The job description will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2008. (Vote #54)

**Special Monetary Allocations:**

- Loretta MacGregor to receive $1,000 travel reimbursement to attend APA in her new capacity as Associate Chair for APA Programming. (Vote #10)
- Allocation of $3,000 to fund the first meeting of the Restructuring Committee. (Vote #20)
- Approve $1,000 in travel funds for Ted Bosak to attend the APA meeting in SF in his capacity at the next ED. (Vote #27)
- STP send representation to the inaugural of the CPPEG to be held from noon to 5pm on Sept. 8 2007 in conjunction with the ELC meeting to be held the following day. STP will fund one or two representatives who are already attending the ELC meeting for all travel costs associated with the CPPEG/ELC combined meetings not covered by the APA. (Vote #30)
- Fund a second meeting of the restructuring task force in amount of $3,000 to cover travel expenses of the task force members. (Vote #41)

**Special Occasions:**

- Creation of voluntary flower fund (Vote #2)
- Create special tribute (tree and plaque to Bill McKeachie on U of M campus through voluntary and Fund for Excellence Funds (Vote #5)

**Teaching Awards:**

- Revise the teaching awards criteria for each of our five awards as per the teaching awards task force recommendations and as amended in Bryan’s motion. These new criteria will go into effect for the 2009 awards because the process of recruiting nominations for the 2008 awards is already underway. (Vote #33)
- Teaching Awards committee work together with Internet Editor, Chair of RPRC, Newsletter Editor, and other STP personnel to distribute materials that promote visibility of STP’s teaching awards program. The committee will also brochure. (Vote #34)
- Reviewers for STP’s annual teaching awards should be selected from past award winners. They will be invited to serve one 3-year term, although the invitation might be extended if there is a shortage of reviewers. Ideally, the review panel for any given category will be chaired by a former winner from that category. (Vote #35)
ToP Editorial Transition:

- Editorial support monies to be shared between Editor and Editor-Elect (Vote #3)
- STP to fund Editor-Elect’s travel to APA (Vote #4)
- STP agrees to fund $6K/year in release monies to Albion college for Editor-Elect’s release time for as long as he serves as Editor-Elect or Editor (Vote #6)
- STP will pay Editor-Elect a stipend of $5000 from nest egg for 2008 in exchange for his work as Editor-Elect and pay Editor his normal $5000 stipend in exchange for his usual editorial duties from the regular LEA account. In 2009, the Editor-Elect’s $5,000 stipend will come from LEA. (Vote #8)

Web site and Electronic Communications:

- Approval of new version of STP Web site. (Vote #13)
- House all of STP listservs at KSU for foreseeable future. (Vote #21)
- Membership Survey Committee to prepare a summary of the membership survey results for posting the STP Web site. (Vote #24)
- Post Council representatives’ report on the STP website for informing members of the work of the council representatives. (Vote #39)
- Create an electronic versions of the newsletter to be published simultaneously with the print version. STP members will have the option of choosing to receive either the print or the electronic version. Beginning in spring of 2008, members may choose to receive one of two formats: (a) print with additional access to the electronic form online or (b) exclusively online. (Vote #40)

Odds and Ends:

- Approval of 2007 STP Business meeting minutes. (Vote #36)
- After reviewing all candidates running for APA President, none of the candidates’ platforms represents strong support for STP’s mission. Thus, we move that STP not endorse any of the candidates. (Vote #38)
- Approve 2007 EC minutes. (Vote #43)
- Defer acting on ad hoc working group recommendations concerning APS-STP revenue sharing. (Vote #46)
- Approve 2008 STP budget (Vote #49)