Arkansas Political Science Association (ArkPSA)

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2010

1. Meeting was called to order at 11:30am. Members of the Executive Board present - Janine Parry, Michael Rogers, Will McLean, Mark Mullenbach, Sharon Wrobel, Kim Hoffman, John Passe-Smith. Members of the Executive Board absent - Andrew Bagley and Haroon Khan.

2. Motions to adopt the agenda for the current meeting and the Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

3. Will McLean gave the Program Chair's report.

4. Janine Parry gave the President's report.

5. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer (*in absentia*) was received and discussed. Discussion was held concerning the association's need to incorporate as a non-profit organization in the state of Arkansas and to apply for tax-exempt status from the IRS. The Board voted to recommend that the Secretary-Treasurer pursue these objectives in 2010, and if necessary, liquidate the association's Vanguard investment account if it was inconsistent with IRS regulations.

6. John Passe-Smith gave the MPSR report. Volume 10 (2009) was recently published. The volume contains six manuscripts, including two manuscripts submitted by out-of-state authors.

7. Michael Rogers gave the Vice-President's report (Best Paper awards for 2009). It was decided to have an April 1st deadline for nominations for awards in 2010.

8. Nominations – Michael Rogers (ATU) was nominated for president, Will McLean (ASU) for Vice-President, Mark Mullenbach (UCA) for Secretary-Treasurer, John Passe-Smith (UCA) for MPSR editor, Donald Gooch (ATU) for At-Large Member of the Executive Board, and Joe Giammo (UALR) for At-Large Member of the Executive Board. Nominations were seconded and approved unanimously.

9. The Board voted to recommend the following locations for upcoming annual meetings: 2011 annual meeting (UALR-Little Rock), 2012 annual meeting (UCA-Conway), and 2013 annual meeting (OBU-Arkadelphia).

10. The meeting was adjourned at 12:45pm.