

Mass Communication and Society Division Member Meeting at 2020 AEJMC Conference

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Mass Communication & Society Division

Annual Business Meeting

Virtual Conference

Meeting minutes by Xi Cui

Meeting starts at 9:45 EDT

Division Head

Dr. Nan Yu presents the state of the division of the past year.

MCS Journal

Journal Editor Dr. Fuyuan Shen presents the state of the journal of *Mass Communication & Society*, the reviewer awards and best paper awards. Dr. Shen introduces Dr. Michael Schmierbach will take over the journal as the new editor after the meeting. The new editorial board will be appointed by the new editor by end of the year. Dr. Shen proposes to increase the cash award of top reviewers and top authors from \$500 total to \$500 each. The proposal will be discussed and voted on at the end of the meeting.

Midwinter Committee

Dr. Alec Tefertiller presents the MCS state of midwinter, informs the member of the awards awarded at the conference.

Research Committee

Dr. Fan Yang presents about the research committee's work for this year's conference and presents awards.

Awards Committee

Dr. Weirui Wang informs the members of the research and teaching related awards as well as the service award and PF&R award.

PF&R Committee

Dr. Ruoxu Wang presents PF&R committee's work including a panel on PF&R and the planned-but-cancelled tour to Google.

Teaching Committee

Dr. Nan Yu presents for the work of the teaching committee on behalf of Dr. Jack Karlis.

Communications Committee

Dr. Nan Yu presents the work of the communication committee on behalf of Shauna.

Dr. Nan Yu discusses new business including next year's conference at New Orleans, new offices, areas of improvement such as better communication, membership retention, collaboration with other divisions, etc.

Dr. Fuyuan Shen asks the members at the meeting to rectify the change about paper award in the by-law.

Dr. Nan Yu moves to approve the change. Dr. Michael Schmierbach seconds the motion.

Members vote unanimously to approve the change.

Meeting adjourned at 10:33pm.