

NCSA Business Meeting 2004

Cleveland, Ohio

April 3, 2004

- 1. Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Bruce Keith, President, at 4:35 p.m.

Bruce thanked all the people who helped in making this NCSA meeting a success. In particular, Bruce thanked Marty Schmidt, Chair of Local Arrangements, and Dean Purdy, Executive Officer.

- 2. Executive Officer's Comments:** Dean Purdy announced that both registration and participation were up this year. The site for the next three NCSA meetings has been set: Pittsburgh 2005, Indianapolis 2006, and Chicago 2007. The Chicago meeting will be held jointly with the Midwest Sociological Society on Easter weekend, Wednesday through Saturday.

- 3. Secretary's Report:** Susan Alexander distributed minutes from the 2003 NCSA Business meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio. *Motion to approve the minutes (Tom Calhoun/Leslie Wang). Motion approved.*

Susan announced the election results for 2004 NCSA officers: President Elect Kathy Feltey; Vice President Elect Rebecca Bordt, and Council Members at Large Matha Schmidt and Jerry Pankhurst.

- 4. Treasurer's Comments:** Marty Jendrek announced that 220 people pre-registered, and approximately 300 people were in attendance this year. The finances are in good shape, and membership is increasing. Van Guard Funds has been paid back. The NCSA continues to operate with a surplus.

- 5. Vice President's Comments:** Jay Howard noted that this meeting was very successful with increased membership and increased attendance. Jay thanked Keith Roberts for organizing the High School Sociology Teachers Workshop and Hans Bakker and Robert Prus for organizing the Symbolic Interaction Mini-Conference. Jay also noted the continued success of the NCSA Future Faculty Program.

- 6. Resolution:** Jay Howard, Vice President, read a resolution on behalf of the NCSA. *"Whereas, the NCSA received considerable support, service, and commitment from many individuals and organizations in the preparation of its annual meeting held in Cleveland, Ohio from April 1-4, 2004, be it resolved that the NCSA extend its profound appreciation and sincere gratitude to the following:*

Vanessa Warnock and the staff at the Hyatt Regency at the Arcade; the Cleveland Visitor's Bureau; the book publishers with displays including The Scholar's Choice, Prentice Hall, Wadsworth, McGraw Hill, and others who sent book for display ; Marty Schmidt and the Local Arrangements Committee members; members of the Program Committee including Kathy Rowell, Debra Swanson, Leslie Wang, Charles Gallmeier, and Sara Hare; Robert Prus and Hans Bakker for organizing the Symbolic Interaction Mini-Conference; Keith Roberts, Kathleen Piker-King, and Diane Bryant for organizing and leading the High School Sociology Teacher's Workshop; Marty Jendrek, NCSA Treasurer and all her volunteers at the registration desk; Michael Norris, Capital University in Columbus; and Jackie Bergdahl, Wright State University in Dayton." *Motion approved (Vicky Demos/Marcia Segal Texler)*

- 8. President Elect's Comments:** Kent Schwirian announced the theme for the 2005 NCSA meeting will be "Local Community in a Global Age." The key note speaker will be William T. Bielby, University of California, Santa and Past President of the American Sociological Association.

- 9. Announcements:** Keith Roberts announced that the Ruth and John Useem Plenary Address is an honorific title limited to five years. The NCSA executive committee should be considering the next honoree.

Adjournment: Call for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.