



NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS

**Executive Committee Meeting
State Room, J.W. Marriott
December 8, 2006**

Present: Scott Delcourt, Julia Halevy, Susan Guma, Sandra Holley, Chet Jablonski, , Mary Martin, Harry Richards, Jim Schaefer, Mick Thompson, Renetta Tull

Regrets: Dale Kinney Martin Kreiswirth

President Shaefer called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

The minutes of the October 28, 2006 were accepted unanimously.

Membership Report:

Scott Delcourt reported that 104 institutions had paid membership dues as of early December. A report of paid members and institutions that had not paid was distributed. Executive Committee members were encouraged to contact institutional representatives in their regions who had not yet renewed NAGS membership.

Awards Committees:

Dissertation Award (Physical Sciences, Mathematics and Engineering): Timothy Barbari, Georgetown University

Teaching Award: Mark Curchack, Arcadia University

Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award: Renetta Tull

Master's Thesis Award (Social Sciences and Education): Sandra Holley

Awards nomination materials will be updated to include the committee chairs, their phone numbers and email addresses and will be sent to institutional contacts in mid-December after the CGS meeting. The deadline for submission of materials for the all awards is February 12, 2007. A "Save the Date" notice regarding the 2007 meeting will be sent with the awards mailing.

2007 Annual Meeting:

President Schaefer asked Executive Committee members for updates regarding their sessions. A revised meeting agenda follows.

Executive Committee members were reminded to get their session titles and speakers to Scott as soon as possible so that the conference mailing could be sent to NAGS members.

Tentative program for the 2007 annual meeting:

**ANNUAL MEETING
NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS
“Restocking the Graduate Dean’s Toolbox”
Hilton Washington Embassy Row Hotel**

Thursday, March 22, 2007

Pre-meeting CGS workshop for Professional Science Master's program directors and their deans, max. of 25 participants, **by invitation**.
(*Participants invited to remain the rest of the day*)

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Registration

Scott G. Delcourt, Associate Dean, University of Maine

1:00 p.m.

Welcome

James Schaefer, Jr., Associate Dean, Georgetown University

1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Plenary Session I: “CGS Professional Master's Initiative”

Presenters: (*confirmed: Carol Lynch*)

Moderator: Harry Richards (*Harry will work with CGS to get panelist names*)

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Plenary Session II: “What is Interdisciplinarity?”

Presenters: (*confirmed: Harvey Waterman, suggested: Carolyn Watters, Dalhousie University, John Aram, Lesley University*)

Moderator: Chet Jablonski

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Keynote Address: “Doctoral Education: Preparing Stewards of the Discipline”

Presenter: (*confirmed: George Walker, V P for Research and Dean of the University Graduate School, Florida International University*)

Moderator: James Schaefer

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Reception

7:00 p.m.

Opening Banquet (*Jim will ask Debra Stewart to speak at the banquet*)

Friday, March 23, 2007

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Executive Committee Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Plenary Session III: “Mentoring Faculty Mentors”

Presenters: (*suggested: Havidan Rodriguez, University of Delaware, Lynn Zimmerman, UMBC, Chet to suggest a Canadian panelist*)

Moderator: Susan Guma

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Break

- 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **Plenary Session IV:** “The Dean's Office in the Changing University – an Associate Deans’ Panel”
Presenters: (*confirmed: Cari Moorhead, Associate Dean, University of New Hampshire, suggested: Rachel Grob, Sarah Lawrence, someone from Howard University?*)
Moderator: James Schaefer
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**
Graduate Teaching Award
Presented by: Mark Curchack
- Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award
Presented by: Renetta Tull
- Dissertation Award
Presented by: Tim Barbari
- Master’s Award
Presented by: Sandra Holley
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Plenary Session V:** “What’s Driving Graduate School Budgets?”
Presenters: (*confirmed: Sheila McMullan, Assoc. Dean for Finance and Administration, Georgetown University; suggested: David Leyton-Brown, OCG, Susan Pfeiffer, University of Toronto, Bob Roer, UNC-Wilmington*)
Moderator: Mary Martin
- 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Break**
- 3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Plenary Session VI:** “Changes and Challenges in Graduate Student Financial Support”
Presenters: (*confirmed: Ken Redd, CGS; suggested someone from CASE?*)
Moderator: Mick Thompson
- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Reception**
- 7:00 p.m. **Evening on the Town**
- Saturday, March 24, 2007
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **NAGS Business Meeting**
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Plenary Session VII:** “Broadening Participation of Underrepresented Ethnic Minorities to Increase the Pipeline of Trained U.S. Citizens in Areas of National Need”
Presenters: (*Renetta will consult with Patty McAllister, CGS regarding panelists*)
Moderator: Renetta Tull

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 p.m.

Plenary Session VIII: “Legal Issues in Graduate Education (part deux)”

Presenters: (*confirmed: Kathryn Baerwald, Senior Associate Counsel, Georgetown University; Sandra Doran, Counsel, Lesley University; David Leyton-Brown might advise on a Canadian panelist*)

Moderator: Julia Halevy

12:00 p.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Closing Remarks

Susan Guma, Dean, Sarah Lawrence College

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Submitted,

Scott G. Delcourt
Secretary-Treasurer