

Minutes from Latino caucus meeting on September 1, 2017 at the American Political Science Associate annual meeting in San Francisco California

(Minutes taken by Stella Rouse, Latino Caucus member)

Mario Guerrero, President of the Latino Caucus introduces himself and calls the meeting to order.

Discussion of announcements

- Fund for Latino scholarship- 27 applicants this year eight recipients
- Latino book prize
- Joint reception with REP and APA caucuses
- Facebook group for Latino caucus

Discussion of budget

- 45 members paid since 7/28/17
- To be considered an “active” member you must pay your dues every year

This is the 20th anniversary of the Latino caucus (established September 4, 1998)

- What events should the Latino caucus plan for the 20th anniversary?
- Suggestions include workshop and recruitment events
- There was a debate about whether to have a solo reception or to continue our joint reception with REP and APA caucuses.
- Val Martinez-Ebers suggested that in honor of the anniversary we should see about a special Latino politics edition in *PS*.
- Other suggestions included figuring out ways to recruit Latino students to the caucus to get them in the pipeline.

Book prize

- Stella Rouse and Heather Silber Mohamed announced book award was given to Efren Perez.

Elections

- Five positions: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and webmaster
- Tony Affigne put forward motion to elect slate by acclamation. Motion was approved.

Discussion about book award

- Tony Affigne suggested that more than one award be given a year.
- Val Martinez-Ebers said she would explore the possibility of using Fund for Latino Scholarship for book award.

Stella Rouse encouraged leadership to offer more specific and accessible guidelines for selecting book winners.

Discussion of website

Tony Affigne says he pays for domain *Latinocaucus.org* and *sectorLatino.org* which go to Wheebly site. He asked whether we want to continue doing this. He said we also get free email accounts through this domain.

Job announcements from members in the audience

Meeting adjourned