1. Call to Order (Wang)

2. Visit from Second Vice President and 2019 Program Planner (McBride)
   a. Theme is dialogue for next year in Omaha
   b. How do we bring dialogue into presentations
   c. Doing more co-sponsorships for the next convention to encourage dialogue
   d. Google space for the planners to encourage dialogue in the planning
   e. Omaha: Double Tree Hotel: lots of things to do near the hotel now
   f. Old Market: Lots of things to do
   g. Shuttle that runs in a 2 mile radius for free
   h. Omaha airport is near the hotel, shuttle will pick you up for free
   i. Online Submission Process
   j. Room Rate: $139 complimentary internet and cookies
   k. Conference April 3-6th 2019
   l. Submission dates: October 10th 2018

3. Approval of Minutes from 2017 Business Meeting (Phillips)
   a. Jeff Child moved to approve
   b. Natalie Pennington seconded

4. Introductions of Officers and Members

5. Elections of Secretary, Vice-Chair, and Paper Readers
   a. Shawn Starcher approved as secretary
   b. Natalie Pennington nominated for Vice-chair from the floor
   c. Motion to approve the slate of paper readers (names are in slides)
      i. Jeff Child made the motion
      ii. Natalie Pennington seconded
      iii. Motion approved

6. Convention Reports
   a. Chair’s Report (Wang)
      i. 31 total submissions (26 paper submissions, 4 panel submissions, 1 paper panel submission)
      ii. 14 panels programmed
      iii. 92% acceptance rate
   b. Vice Chair’s Report (Thorson): 2019 Convention Preview
      i. Next year conference is in Omaha April 3-6th
      ii. Hilton Double Tree in Down Town
      iii. Electronic Submissions for this next year
      iv. Call for submissions will go out mid August
      v. Deadline: 11:59 CST October 10th
      vi. Log in to CSCA and then log in to submission central

7. Thank you to all of our reviewers: Austin J. Beattie, Maria Brann, Anna F. Carmon, Katherine J. Denker, Patricia E. Gettings, Robert D. Hall, Lauren Johnsen, Jenna McNallie, Kaitlin E. Phillips, Shawn Starcher

   a. Submissions are going well
   b. Lynn Turner and Rich West Special Issue of JFC
      i. Families on the Margins
      ii. Research looking at populations that we haven’t researched much
      iii. Homeless, poverty, immigrant, refugee, LGBTQ
      iv. Any method
      v. Submission deadline is November 15th 2018
vi. All the information is also on the JFC social media pages

9. Awards
   a. Top Papers (Wang)
      i. 1st place: Sibling Communication Patterns, Interference/Facilitation, and Topic Avoidance: Predicting Sibling Relationship Satisfaction (Top Paper)
         1. Nathan Miczo, Western Illinois University
         2. Megan Presnell, Western Illinois University
         3. Monica Lombardo, Western Illinois University
      ii. 2nd place: Message Received: Young Adults’ and Parents’ Communication Satisfaction Associated with Text Message Relational Maintenance
         1. Jennifer Schon, Northern Illinois University
      iii. 3rd place: Exploring Difference in Family: Communication and Privacy Management for Female Veterans Between Their Military Voluntary Kin and Their Biolegal Families (Nancy Burrell Award for Top Student Paper)
         1. Carol L. Tschampl-Diesing, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
      iv. 4th place: Gossip via Text Message: Motivations for Using Text Messaging to Share Gossip
         1. Samantha F. Quinn, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
   b. Dawn O. Braithwaite Award for Qualitative Research (Braithwaite/Manning)
      i. Microaggressions Toward People with Disabilities: Implications for Inclusive Education
         1. Danielle Sparrow, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
         2. Erin Sahlstein Parcell, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
   c. Top Panel (Wang)
      i. Narrative Pedagogy in the Classroom: Honoring Difference Through Students’ Stories
         1. Chair: Sarah R. Petitte, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
         2. Presenters: Jody Koenig Kellas, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; Sarah E. Riforgiate, Kansas State University; Katherine J. Denker, Ball State University; DeAnne Priddis, Middle Tennessee State University; Amanda Gunn, Denison University; Scott A. Myers, West Virginia University

10. Old Business
    a. No old business

11. New Business
    a. Talking about name change
    b. Panel on name change
    c. Summary: Small Group members feel like they still have a home even if small group is removed from the Name.
    d. Discussed incorporating Family into the Name
    e. We would be the only regional interest group that would include “Family” in the name
    f. Some type of forum for soliciting feedback on dropping Small Group and renaming Interpersonal and Family Communication Interest Group
    g. Maybe Qualtrics survey on this topic
    h. Changing the description of the interest group
    i. “IPC, Family, Group”
    j. Group scholars did not feel discouraged if Group was removed
    k. Group Scholars—feel that their papers have multiple homes depending on the context
    l. Uniqueness and identity for individuals if we include family.
    m. Circulate information on By-Law change 45 days prior to the meeting, then we could vote on it next year.
    n. Paul Schrodt makes a motion that we make the proposed change
    o. Shawn Starcher seconds the motion for the name change
    p. Motion passes: Allison Thorson will be responsible for the rest of this process
    q. Jimmie Manning makes a motion to suspend the rules
    r. Shawn Starcher seconds
    s. 1 motion to deny
t. Jeff Child makes the motion that we change the name.
u. 1 abstention to not vote
v. Motion carries to change the name and will go to the executive committee
w. Make sure name changes before we consider changing the description
x. Small sub-committee to revise the description: looking for volunteers

12. Announcements
   a. Erin: NCA is trying to start a division Military and Communication division need 200 signatures
      must be valid NCA members
   b. Newly elected: Vice-Chair Kaitlin Phillips
   c. Ideas for next years conference: 15 slots for next year
   d. Need to be careful about number of papers on panel
   e. Natalie: Panel on Methods/Future Research/Teaching Students—Dialogue on Methods
   f. Panel on the name change to highlight it
   g. More networking sessions Dialogue between scholars and students

13. Adjournment
   a. Robbie Hall made a motion
   b. Erin Sahlstein Parcell seconded the motion
   c. Motion approved