**ACESJ Business Meeting**

April 2019

Omaha, NE

Presiding leadership

* Acting chair –Joshua Atkinson
* Vice Chair – Joshua Atkinson
* Secretary – Laura Russell (not in attendance); Election of Wendy Anderson as immediate replacement for secretary (CSCA 2019)

Estimated attendance: 15

**Current business:**

-Announcement of Master class with Dr. Frey at 12:30pm @ Hilton Kansas

-15 competitive papers -5 accepted

-accepted 1 discussion panel

-top paper award (Marlene Pierce from KSU)-both top paper and top student paper

**New business:**

-unhappy with 15 submitted papers

-division was originally Communication ethics-2015

-after discussion rebranded as communication ethics, activism, and social justice

-75 members

-too broad by

- activism, communication ethics, and social justice? (#acesj)-quorum met

—-acronym and clarification

—forefront activism

—ordering concerns (iterable)

-Al Gonzales will allow if we switch around terms

**Submission call**: 67 current members- Next year’s theme (borders and breakthroughs)

-don’t have an identity

-want more slots (6-7 slots)

-topics: power and resistance, challenging SQ, creating own realities, health equity, indigenous peoples….

“Borders are set up to define the places that are safe and unsafe, to distinguish us from them. A border is a dividing line, a narrow strip along a steep edge. A borderland is a vague and undetermined place created by the emotional residue of an unnatural boundary. It is in a constant state of transition. The prohibited and forbidden are its inhabitants” (Gloria Anzaldua, “Borderlands/La frontera/The new meztiza” PG).

We are increasing living in a world that involves borders and walls which divide people both figurative and literally. We are looking for polished artistic works, panels, and papers in progress that critically interrogate the boundaries of marginalized expression and social change. As part of resistance to power structures at the micro and macro level, we encourage papers that explore, but are not limited to:

* Interpersonal microaggressions
* Historical presence or Institutional procedures
* Cultural codes and Oppression
* Social movements and Protest
* Community Building
* Intent (versus) Impact
* Difference, Equity, and Access
* Centers and Margins
* Media Ecology
* Health Equity and Wellbeing
* Environment and sustainability
* Play and Ethics
* Constraints and Agencies

To facilitate vibrant, generative, and robust dialogues and monologues, we welcome creative, performance, artwork, crafts, poetry, or other embodied work that fits the call to be slotted. We will promote underrepresented scholars art/work and proposed panels that bring together academic and community activist voices to develop public intellectualism.

We will consider papers under any formalized citation type (MLA, APA, Chicago, etc.) 30 pages or under excluding references, cover page, and abstract.

**Mission statement**:

….Facilitating activism, communication ethics, and social justice

Activism

-Blurring boundaries between the academy and communities and the greater public.

Physical public sphere

Counter publics

Leveraging communication scholarship for something social change and justice.

-Looking at both domestic and transnational concerns.

Investigation of those oppressive practices that facilitate and hinder social justice.

Constructed realities

Online communities

Amplification of marginalized underrepresented voices

Election of officers for CSCA 2020

* Joshua Atkinson to serve as Chair
* Wendy Anderson automatically moves to Vice Chair
* Jenn Anderson to serve as Secretary

Adjourn