

SLS 17: Business Meeting Minutes

The meeting began at 15:00 pm JAPANESE STANDARD TIME, in person and on Zoom

Vrinda Chidambaram, Chair of the Executive Board: **Brief welcome and announcements.** Thank you to the organizers and to all those who are participating and presenting. Reminder that SLS 2023 will be held in Bratislava, Slovakia, generously hosted by Gabriela Mucskova and that we are hoping that SLS 2024 will be held at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, generously hosted by Jeff Parker.

Presentation of 2021 Charles E. Townsend Memorial Award to the graduate student showing the greatest dedication to the field of Slavic Linguistics and to the Society and whose research presented at SLS meetings and beyond has proven exemplary. The recipient receives a lifetime membership to the Slavic Linguistics Society, which we hope will serve them well as they pursue the path of Slavic Linguistics research. “We are very happy to announce that the 2021 Charles E. Townsend award goes to Djordje Božović. We would like also to mention a few outstanding scholars whose promising work earned them honorable mentions: Maša Bešlin, Ivana Jovović, and Yusuke Oyama, who will be in the running for the 2022 CET award! Thank you to all the graduate students who are participating in this year’s conference!”

Lanko Marušić and Rok Žaucer, Journal of Slavic Linguistics Editors: **Annual update on JSL.**

Catherine Rudin, Treasurer: **Annual treasurer’s report on SLS’s finances.**

Nomination of and Vote on new board members. Hagen Pitsch and Vrinda Chidambaram are stepping down from the board this year; they were thanked for their excellent service. The following new board members were nominated and voted into office by acclamation:

- 1) Jadranka Gvozdanovic (University of Heidelberg)
- 2) Andrej Antonenko (Stony Brook University)

Proposal to establish a Social Media Director Position (a new officer whose role it will be to update social media platforms, such as twitter, facebook, IG, etc. to reflect the activities of the SLS); call for volunteers to hold this post for a 2-year term.

A junior scholars meeting will be held on Zoom following the business meeting.

Also following the business meeting, the current board members will quickly confer to vote on a new Chair.

Meeting adjourned 15:30.