Statistics Education SIGMAA Business Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2018, at the 2018 Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM), San Diego, CA

Stacey Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Stacey introduced and acknowledged officers.
(Due to our SIGMAA charter changes recently approved by MAA, the position of Program Chair is new and the positions of secretary and treasurer have been combined.)

> **Incoming and continuing officers for 2018:**
> Past Chair – Stacey Hancock
> Chair – Soma Roy
> Chair-Elect – Alana Unfried
> Secretary/Treasurer – Dianna Spence
> Program Chair – Gregg Harbaugh
> Webmaster – Kim Roth
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> **Retiring officers:**
> Past Chair – Sue Schou
> Treasurer – Phil Yates

Old Business

Dianna Spence noted that the minutes of the 2017 Business Meeting were posted on the SIGMAA website. She solicited corrections or comments to the minutes, and none were offered. The minutes were approved by consensus.

Phil Yates gave the Treasurer's report for 2017.

New Business

Stacey reviewed the SIGMAA events taking place at the 2018 JMM, which included one panel presentation, one guest lecture, and two contributed paper sessions.

Stacey reviewed the changes to our Charter that were approved in 2017, effective for the 2018 election cycle and beyond. The offices of chair, chair-elect, and past chair are each one-year terms; other offices are 2-year terms, with secretary-treasurer elected in odd years, program chair elected in even years, and webmaster an appointed position.

Stacey shared announcements from the MAA Officers meeting; she noted that MAA has changed the requirement for SIGMAAs from 20 members in good standing to 100 members. This should not pose an issue for the Stat Ed SIGMAA, as it has over 200 members. However, the SIGMAA is scheduled to be reviewed by the MAA in 2018.

Stacey acknowledged that the Stat Ed SIGMAA listserv has had issues, including members being dropped from the listserv and not receiving messages intended for all members. She solicited input from the membership to determine how widespread the issues were, and she indicated that the problem was reported to the appropriate individuals at the SIGMAA Officers meeting, where she was assured the issues would be resolved.

Stacey opened the floor for discussion of topics for future SIGMAA sessions. Members suggested and/or discussed the following:
- Specific (rather than general) examples of the use of R, including possibly topic-specific examples (e.g., regression)
- Data Science introductory courses or activities in a Data Science class
- Public policy and ethics (related to Data Science)
- Data literacy and media literacy
- Recruiting students into the field of statistics

In addition to the session topics noted above, the following items were discussed:
- Pros and cons of different session formats, including panel, workshop, and contributed paper
- Soliciting ideas going forward for a 2019 JMM speaker in Baltimore. Suggestions included a representative from the Census Bureau, or Roger Peng or Brian Caffo (both faculty at Johns Hopkins, which would be local to the 2019 JMM conference city.)

Stacey noted upcoming events in the Statistics Education community, including eCots, ICOTS, JSM, MathFest, and the 2019 JMM.

Stacey announced and distributed the SIGMAA awards.
> 2017 Dex Whittinghill Award for Best Paper – awarded to Dr. Patti Frazer Lock for her paper,
> *Big Data Visualization in Intro Stats (in 15 minutes!)*
> 2018 Robert V. Hogg Award for Excellence in Teaching Statistics –
> awarded to Dr. Kari Lock Morgan

Stacey also encouraged nominations for the 2019 Hogg Award.

Discussion continued about possible speakers and sessions that could be sponsored by the SIGMAA at the 2019 JMM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05.

Respectfully submitted,
Dianna Spence