**CALL TO ORDER**

1. **Roll Call/Attendance**

**Approval of November 5, 2021 - Meeting Minutes**

**Additions/Corrections to the Agenda**

1. **M.A.D. (Making a Difference)**

**RESEARCH:**

**Top Paper Award: Kim, J.**, & Merrill Jr., K., & Collins, C. (2021, November). *Meet my AI romantic partner: The role of loneliness and social presence.* Paper presented at the annual conference of National Communication Association, Seattle, WA.

**Top Paper Award: Kim, J.**, & Merrill Jr., K., Xu, K., & Kelly, S. (2021, November). *Perceived credibility of an AI instructor in online education: The role of social presence and voice features.*Paper presented at the annual conference of National Communication Association, Seattle, WA.

**Hastings, S. O.** presented “Face” the music: Applying facework terminology to song lyrics. GIFTS presented at the annual conference of National Communication Association, Seattle, WA.

**NCA NSCM PRESENTERS:** Shayla Cannady, Rebecca Freihaut, Sally Hastings, Jihyun Kim, Darius Lana, Kelsey Lunsford, Ashley Papagni, Adam Parrish, Suzy Prentiss, Sofia Salazar, Jennifer Sandoval, Deanna Sellnow, Timothy Sellnow, Rodrigo Soares, Patric Spence, Michael Strawser, Lakelyn Taylor

**2 TEACHING:**

* **Sally Hastings’ graduate students from “qualitative methods” class:**
  + **Monica Mayer, Rob Eicher, Giovanna Kubota won FCA Top Paper Award** and will be published in the ***Florida Communication Journal.***
  + **Kelsey Lunsford and Rebecca Freihaut** presented their paper, “Multiple Sclerosis: A convergence of voices” at NCA.

**3. SERVICE:**

* **Rufus Barfield: *Chair, Board of Directors for the Healthy Start Coalition of Osceola County.* Aims:** (1) Determine the number of licensed Chiropractors in Osceola County that currently provide chiropractic services to infants and or children. (2) Determine if expecting Mothers/parents would consider utilizing chiropractic services and the resources needed to accommodate. (3) Determine what is needed regarding: a. Health Communication messaging for Chiropractic care providers and b. Health Communication messaging/Educational/informational resources needs to parents/caregivers.
* **Sally Hastings** is now vice-chair of the Communication and Social Construction division of NCA.
* **Jennifer Sandoval** hosted a booth at the NCA graduate student open house.

**4. AWARDS:**

* + - * **Michael Strawser: Awarded an NCA “Advancing the Discipline” grant** for supporting communication instruction in K-12 contexts.

**Outstanding Article in *Business and Professional Communication Quarterly:* Hastings, S. O.**,Aponte, S., Valverde, E., Gristock, C., Fraser, R., Missigman, M.,  Bicasan, J., & Rosas, L. (2020). Nonverbal communication and writing deficiencies of graduates: Research by undergraduates for undergraduates. *Business & Professional Communication Quarterly, 83*(2), 204-222.

**Rebecca Morales** Staff Member of the Game

**5. STUDENT SUCCESS:**

**Tracy Gulliford, Darius Lana, Rodrigo Soares, Lakelyn Taylor, Laura Boutemen, and Ashley Papagni passed the doctoral comprehensive exams. All are now officially ABD.**

1. **ASSISTANT DIRECTORS REPORT and OLD BUSINESS:**
   * + **Dr. Littlefield: Changes in the School and Q&A**
     + Goals Task Forces:
       - 1. PR/Marketing Ourselves (website, brand, etc) –campus, community, disciplines
         2. Curricular Alignment and Comm for the Professions Course
         3. Local and Global Partnerships (research, grants, service, prof dev/training)

1. **OTHER REPORTS**
   * + Nothing to Report
2. **NEW BUSINESS**

* Nominate/Vote: Awards & Recognition Committee Member (replace D. Blemker)

1. **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Save the date: ICRCC March 7-9, 2021 (downtown Marriott)

1. **ADJOURN MEETING: HOLIDAY HOOPLA on LIVINGSTON STREET**