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## 2019 - IAPS Annual Executive Council Meeting

### AGENDA

**Brought to order: 11:15am**

**(RED = Regrets) (Blue = here)**

**Welcome Officers:** [Incoming officers/committee members in brackets].

President: [Alun Hardman](#) [[Pam Sailors](#)]

Conference Chair: [Emily Ryall](#)

Elections Chair: [Chad Carlson](#)

Secretary Treasurer: [Peter Hopsicker](#)

Journal Editor: [Paul Gaffney](#)

Newsletter editor: [Adam Pfleegor](#) [[Kenneth Aggerholm](#)]

Members at large (odd): [Dennis Hemphill](#)\* & [Doug McLaughlin](#) \* [[Alfred Archer](#) & [John William Devine](#)]

Members at large (Even): [Signe Højbjerg Larsen](#) & [Soraia Chung Saura](#)

Web Editor: [Colleen English](#)

HAFS: [Gabriela Tymowski-Gionet](#) (Chair), [Adam Berg](#), [Mizuho Takemura](#)\* [[Yoshiko Oda](#)]

\*Special thanks for the dedicated service of outgoing officers.

#### Apologies:

1. **Confirmation of agenda. Confirmed.**
  2. **Approval of minutes from previous meeting Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 Norges idrettshøgskole, Oslo, Norway**  
**Approved.**
  3. **Matters arising.**
    - a. **Officers Reports** (question/answer based on reports distributed below Aug 29. 2018)  
President: Alun Hardman
      1. **Nothing additional beyond report.**
 Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker
      1. New IAPS membership portal and the expansion of its use to conference registration and program development. **Demonstration and questions for expanded use. Discussion with future hosts at conference to determine feasibility. Other add-ons (webpage, abstract management, future sites application) will be researched further.**
      2. Student travel funds follow-up. Creation of guidelines for home country.
        - a. **17 winners this year. Charge HAFS committee to create guidelines.**
      3. Significant decrease in number of Kretchmar essay award applicants.
        - a. **Discussed. Clearer communication. If not quality essay, then no award is given.**
      4. Significant decrease in student travel grant donations.
        - a. **Discussed interface with new Cvent platform. Will be looked into. Separate email to membership is approved..**
      5. Waiving fees/registration for scholars in unrepresented countries (answering requests).
        - a. **Discussed. Show justification. Conference chair to review requests on an ad hoc basis.**
      6. Review of IAPS membership fees. Is it time for an increase?
        - a. **Discussed in the future.**
- Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney
1. **New contract with T&F update. It will be more lucrative for us. 7 years.**
  2. **Special issues have helped to "get ahead". Now have a backlog. November is**

prepared. Six for March already done.

3. Recommended yearly report for March newsletter (summary of 2019). And conference report.
4. Additions to editorial board. Editor brings to Exec for approval every September.

Newsletter editor: Adam Pflieger

1. Nothing new to add. Adam will help with transition.

Webmaster: Colleen English

2. Social media has increased. Look strategically at ways to increase followers.

**b. Committee Reports.**

Conference Chair: Emily Ryall

Honors, Awards, and Future Sites: Gabriella Tymowski-Gionet (Chair)

Elections: Chad Carlson

1. Report: Selection of Warren Fraleigh; constitution vs practice.
2. Follow constitution.

**4. New Business.**

- a. Recording and broadcasting of IAPS conferences. (lecture capture Keynote and presidential talks) [Emily Ryall] Pushed to next year.
- b. Heather Reid Distinguished Service and Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholarship Awards [Chad Carlson - See paper] See above.

**5. Other Business**

Adjourned 12:50pm.

2018 - IAPS Annual Executive Council Minutes.

Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> 2018  
13:00-14:30 Mylla Meeting Room,  
Norges idrettshøgskole, Oslo, Norway

Meeting called to order 13:20.

**Welcome Officers:** [Incoming officers/committee members in brackets].

President: Alun Hardman

Conference Chair: Pam Sailors\* [Emily Ryall]

Elections Chair: Chad Carlson [Chad Carlson]

Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker [Peter Hopsicker]

Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney [Paul Gaffney]

Newsletter editor: Adam Pfleegor

Members at large (even): Francisco Javier Lopez Frias\* & Claudia Pawlenka\* [Signe Højbjerre Larsen & Soraia Chung Saura]; Members at large (odd): Dennis Hemphill & Doug McLaughlin Web Editor: Colleen English

HAFS: Kevin Krein\* (Chair), Lisa Edwards, Gabriela Tymowski-Gionet, [Adam Berg]

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Alun thanked outgoing officers.

**Apologies:** Dennis Hemphill, Claudia Pawlenka, Lisa Edwards, Emily Ryall, Soraia Chung Saura  
Lisa Edwards is resigning from HAFS committee; Adam Pfleegor from Newsletter Editor.

**Confirmation of agenda.** Motion to approve: Kevin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Colleen

**Approval of minutes** from previous meeting September 6th 2017, Whistler, Canada.

Motion to approve: Adam; 2<sup>nd</sup> Javi.

**Matters arising.**

**a. Officers Reports**

President: Alun Hardman

1. See attached report.

2. Thanks for all committee members for sterling efforts. Nothing significant from president beyond what he has noted that will be in other reports.

3. Special note to Bob Simon's passing.

Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker

4. Worked through the report. Explanation of budget.

Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney

5. Asked for approval of Joe Lewandowski on JPS editorial board. Will consult constitution and will send out information on Joe to Board for review.

6. Publishing/contract negotiation with T&F and Sage was briefly explained. There is currently an information exchange (with T&F and Sage) going on which Paul is leading. If any changes are made, or if we stay with T&F, it will be in 2020.

Newsletter editor: Adam Pfleegor

7. Will step-down after this next year. Seeks early nominations to replace him by next year.

Webmaster: Colleen English: See report.

**b. Committee Reports.**

Conference Chair: Pam Sailors

1. Submissions were way up. Will work with Emily to tighten process.
2. Requests that presenters are strongly told that they must be available to present at any time during the conference.

Honors, Awards, and Future Sites: Kevin Krein (Chair) Announcement of 2018 conference + dates:

3. Conference in Kyoto, Japan.
4. Some confusion (one submission) on submitting for Kretchmar Award.

Elections: Chad Carlson

5. Nominations are usually thin in number.

**New Business.**

1. JPS New Publishing Agreement with Taylor & Francis (PG)
  - a. Discussed in his report.
2. JPS & SEP Journal 'Bundle deal' with T & F (AH)
  - a. Is this possible? Discussion to continue.
3. Newsletter editor position:
  - a. Seeking nominee sooner than later.
4. Limitation on number of times an individual student can receive a Travel Award (PH)
  - a. Limit to 3 times per student.
  - b. Students at hosting institution are not eligible.
5. IAPS Banners and their custody. (PH)
  - a. Peter will work it out.
6. International financial transaction fees. (PH)
  - a. Not a huge deal, but on the horizon. Will take steps.
7. Deceased members – Notification and Recognition (CE)
  - a. Should we give money to Bob Simon fund? Memorializing in the name of IAPS. NASSH has a legacy committee. Colleen will benchmark

Other Business.

Do we want to look at suitability/criteria of who can host? We will continue with discussion.

Meeting adjourned 14:

[IAPS 2019 - President's Report](#)

Alun Hardman, [ahardman@cardiffmet.ac.uk](mailto:ahardman@cardiffmet.ac.uk)

### Kyoto 2019

Many thanks to Koyo Fukasawa at Tsukuba University and the Japanese association for the Philosophy of Sport for their work and hospitality in providing us with a wonderful conference this Fall. Thanks also to Emily Ryall and other members at large (Dennis Hemphill, Doug McLaughlin, Signe Højbjerg Larsen, Soraia Chung Saura) for their effort in providing a strong academic programme.

**IAPS Annual Conference 2020** – Due to unforeseen and exceptional circumstances, the University of Alaska Southeast will not be able to host next year's conference as originally planned. Instead, the conference will now take place in Split, Croatia with the support of University of Zagreb and University of Split who also submitted a bid to host in 2020. Many thanks to Matija Škerbić and his colleagues who have been able to step forward to host next year at relatively late notice. The proposed conference dates are September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Further information will be presented in Kyoto.

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This will be my second and final year as IAPS President. It has been an honour and a huge privilege to serve the association in this prestigious capacity. I would like to make a few particular thanks to those who have helped me and the association significantly during my tenure. First, to Peter Hopsicker, your secretary/treasurer whose incredible hard work and guidance has been invaluable. Peter's unstinting work has brought our association forward significantly and he continues to look out for ways to support our core business of expanding our discipline around the world. We are in a strong position, organisationally, financially and academically. Peter's work in supporting the development of young professionals and new members of the association has been incredible.

To Paul Gaffney, the JPS editor for his tireless diligence in ensuring the association journal maintains standards of the highest order. Publications in the JPS are valued highly and it is a very competitive publishing space. Paul responds to reviewers with an incredible amount of grace and support and always provides invaluable support to the journal reviewers. His stewardship over the past few years in negotiating a new and improved publishing deal for the journal ensures that we can realise the economic value of our academic product appropriately.

Thanks also go to Char Weaving, a tough act to follow. She has set the bar incredibly high for the role of President. Her support during the first year of my presidency was incredibly generous. We welcome Pam Sailors, a long standing member of the association, a hugely respected scholar and a great person as the next association president.

I would also like to thank all those who have served on the executive committee during my presidency. Your work has been extremely effective and always undertaken with enthusiasm and encouragement. The work you do will often go unrecognised by your organisations, and yet the work of associations such as IAPS is the very cornerstone of what is uniquely valuable in higher education. More significantly, without such contributions, the space and importance of critical, well reasoned, generous and civil debate, conditions increasingly rare, would be less able to thrive and benefit the sporting cultures we love. Thank you all.

IAPS 2019 Executive - Secretary-Treasurer  
Report Respectfully submitted, Peter  
Hopsicker

### Summary

1. Memberships are slightly down from last year's five-year high (204), but 182 is still second highest in the same window of time. Remember that IAPS memberships are on a calendar year.
2. IAPS demographics are similar to last year with Europe and Asia comprising 50% of the membership.
3. IAPS remains in good fiscal health. We have over \$128,000 in cash and over \$100,000 in investments.
4. Our investments have been as high as \$105,000. Fluctuation in the global economy continues to limit our growth.
5. The IAPS membership has been very generous, and I thank each and every one of you who donated to the IAPS Student Travel Fund. Seventeen of our members have donated a total of \$1,250 to date. However, this is significantly down again from last year (-\$1,150). I would again suggest that this has something to do with the PayPal interface and marketing. I will look for a solution to make this process more efficient. Remember, you can donate at any time [here](#).
6. We are distributing 15-\$1,000 student travel awards this year (\$15,000). This is down from 18 awards in 2018. I would note that recipients are overwhelmingly appreciative of these grants.
7. I have been able to secure an IAPS Business Credit Card. We currently have a debit card, but we get charged fees for each international transaction. With the Business Credit Card, there are no international fees (conversion or other). As long as I pay it off in a timely fashion, we should accrue no interest. I often use this method of payment when paying for other associated memberships (i.e., ICSSPE and FISP), when maintaining our corporate status in Canada (yearly fee), and with other international transactions. Short story: using this card and paying it off immediately with each transaction will save IAPS some money.

### New Membership Portal

**[WE HAVE A NEW MEMBERSHIP PORTAL!](#) (This is important!)**

**IAPS has moved its membership services to CVent.** You can access that website here: [IAPS Membership Portal](#).

Two important things:

1. If you are currently a 2019 IAPS member, you can go to the website and set up your profile **BUT DO NOT PURCHASE A NEW MEMBERSHIP**. Your current membership will suffice for the remainder of 2019. You may purchase 2020 memberships starting in **October**.
2. If you are NOT currently a member, you can go to the website, set up your profile and purchase a 2019 membership. The PayPal option will cease to exist.

What are the benefits for you and IAPS?

1. CVent is a world-wide organization that has the infrastructure to specifically cater to international organizations.
2. You control your profile information in the IAPS Membership Portal. You can change your mailing address, email address, profile picture etc. at any time. No longer do you have to contact me about updating this information.
3. You can log into the IAPS Membership Portal and see the status of your membership and other purchases (i.e. conference registration) at any time. No longer do you have to ask me "Have I renewed my membership yet?"

4. The IAPS Membership Portal will automatically email you reminder notices to renew your membership in regular intervals both before it expires and after it does.
5. The IAPS Membership Portal will automatically send you an email confirmation of your membership renewal with the IAPS logo, cost, and item number.
6. For next year's conference (2020), we hope to have the IAPS Membership Portal linked with the IAPS conference registration process. When you register for the conference, the IAPS Membership Portal will automatically check your membership status. If you are not yet a member, you will be able to purchase both a membership and conference registration in the same place.
7. At the upcoming conference in Kyoto, the Executive Committee will be discussing the linking of abstract submissions and conference website (including program schedule and abstracts) to the IAPS Membership Portal. For an example of what all this looks like linked together, see here ([PAFCS example](#)). As an aside, we can also set up the conference host application process through CVent.

I hope to provide an overview of the IAPS Membership Portal at the Kyoto Conference in September during the AGM.

<u>IAPS Membership as of August 29, 2019</u>		For comparison:
Standard	146	2014 Membership = 141
Student	36	2015 Membership = 163
Total Membership	182	2016 Membership = 170
		2017 Membership = 169
		2018 Membership = 204

IAPS Membership Diversity as of August 29, 2019

Australia	4	Jamaica	1
Belgium	1	Japan	29
Brazil	6	Netherlands	4
Brunei Darussalam	0	New Zealand	1
Bulgaria	0	Norway	6
Canada	18	Poland	2
Croatia	1	Portugal	2
Czech Republic	2	Slovenia	3
Denmark	5	South Africa	0
Finland	3	South Korea	7
France	1	Spain	1
Germany	2	Sweden	1
Hungary	1	Switzerland	1
India	0	Taiwan	5
Israel	1	United Kingdom	11
Italy	4	United States	59

43% North America; 27% Europe; 23% Asia; 3% Australia; 3% South America; 0% Africa.



**IAPS 2019 Budget as of August 29, 2019**

<i>Income</i>	\$50,620.29
Memberships and Student Travel Donations	\$10,303.61
Routledge Royalties	\$40,081.71
PayPal Account	\$234.97
 <i>Investments</i>	
Investment Balance (August 2019)	\$102,376.01
 <i>Expenses</i>	\$16,770.38*
Conference Expenses Kyoto	\$13,580.91
Legal Fees (Investment, LLC, Inc)	\$89.06
Online Membership/Website	\$2,498.64
Bank Service Charges (international wires)	\$198.03
Other expenses	\$403.74
 <i>Totals as of August 29, 2019</i>	
Total Cash (M&T Bank)	\$128,325.05
Total Cash (PayPal)	\$234.97
Total Investments	\$102,376.01
Grand total	\$230,936.03

\* This does not reflect additional conference expenses and the awarding of student travel grants in September.

***Journal of the Philosophy of Sport***  
**Editor's Report: August 31, 2019**  
**Paul Gaffney**  
gaffneyp@stjohns.edu

### **Submission Statistics**

This report covers the twelve months from August 16, 2018 to August 23, 2019. Here are the basic statistics for this year and from the reports from the past few years:

	2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016
New Articles Submitted	75	71	58	77
Final Decision on Articles	50	43	56	71
Accepted Articles	27	26	30	29
Book Reviews	6	6	6	6

**New Submissions and Backlog:** New submissions have held relatively stable—75 this year and 71 last year. These figures are normal, after a slight dip down to 58 in 2016-2017, which is good news. The 75 new submissions this year includes eleven invited papers that were included in the July 2019 Special Section “Emotion in Sport and Games” (JPS 46-02). Because of these invited articles we were able to get ahead of publishing schedule and develop a little backlog, which is desirable in order to ensure optimal publishing quality. The November 2019 issue (JPS 46-03) has just been set; it will include nine new articles (none of which were invited), and one Book Review. At this point we have two articles published online that are scheduled to appear in the March 2020 issue (JPS 47-01), and three more that are close to final acceptance (pending minor revisions) Additionally, there are six new manuscripts currently under initial review.

**Acceptance Rate:** If we count the eleven invited articles published in the July 2019 Special Section, the acceptance rate is 33% (27/81); without those eleven articles the acceptance is 23% (16/70). Some of the papers that were not accepted have been sent back for further revision, so possibly some of them could be accepted for publication at a later date. As I have mentioned in previous reports, Taylor/Francis has introduced new options for the final editorial decisions: Accept (with minor or major revisions); Reject and Resubmit; Reject (as Unsuitable); Reject (as Unsound). The option Reject as Unsuitable is useful because we often receive otherwise well-written manuscripts that are not appropriate for our journal (usually because their focus is not sufficiently philosophical) so this option allows me to direct them to other outlets for consideration.

### **Changes to the Editorial Board**

There have been no changes in the editorial board in the last 12 months.

### **Special Topic Volumes**

We have a Special Section planned for November 2020 (JPS 47-03). The topic of this section will be “Ancient Philosophy of Sport,” to be guest edited by Heather Reid.

### **New Contract with Taylor & Francis**

Our previous seven-year Publishing Agreement with Taylor & Francis expired at the end of December 2018. It had an automatic three-year rollover if neither side desired to discontinue the relationship, so we are presently in the first year of that rollover. We did not renew the Publishing Agreement last fall 2018 because we wanted to consider our situation and our relationship with Taylor & Francis thoroughly. Specifically, because of the growth and the vitality of our Association we wanted to make sure that we were receiving financial support that is commensurate with our value to publishers. Our consideration included listening to the interest of other publishers, who approached me unsolicited. We have received a draft proposal of a new Publishing Agreement from Taylor & Francis, and we are working on it to make sure that it reflects our value and addresses all concerns. I anticipate that a new Publishing Agreement can be worked out this fall and signed into effect January 1, 2020.

## **Journal Highlights**

Standard indicators all suggest that our journal continues to grow in reach, impact, and prestige.

- Journal Circulation: Number of Institutions with Access (Via Subscription, Sales Deal, or Subject Collection)
  - 2018—3,017
  - 2017—2,564
  - 2016—2,451
  - 2015—2,339
  - 2014—2,373
  - 2013—2,225
  - 2012—2,071
  
- Downloads
  - JPS received 35,626 articles downloads in 2018, as compared to 33,000 downloads in 2017.
  - The most downloaded article is “Transgender women in sport” (*JPS* 44-02), by Andria Bianchi with 1,404 downloads
  
- Impact Factor:
  - Impact Factor is calculated on citations made in one year to items published in a journal in the two previous years, divided by the number of source items published in those two years. Source items are research articles, review articles, proceedings papers and short communications. All other items—such as book reviews, letters, editorials, obituaries and news items—do not count towards the denominator in the Impact Factor calculation.
  - 2018—0.719
  - 2017—0.797
  - 2016—0.926
  
- The Top Ten Citing Journals *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*
  - *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* (8)
  - *Sports, Ethics and Philosophy* (6)
  - *Physical Education and Sport Pedagogy* (2)
  - *Aesthetics of Videogames* (1)
  - *American Journal of Bioethics* (1)
  - *Behavioral Sciences* (1)
  - *Current Sports Medicine Reports* (1)
  - *European Journal of Operational Research* (1)
  - *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (1)
  - *International Journal of Indian Culture and Business Management* (1)
  
- Altmetric Scores:
  - The top Altmetric scoring article was “Toward sport reform: hegemonic masculinity and reconceptualizing competition” (*JPS* 45-01), by Colleen English, with a score of 199.

**Newsletter Editor Report**  
**IAPS Annual Conference – Kyoto, Japan**  
**2018 – 2019**

Colleagues and friends, since the last time we met in we have published three newsletters that were distributed to the IAPS listserv, as well as made available on the organization's website and various social media accounts (i.e., Twitter and Facebook).

Following the conference here in Kyoto I will be passing the torch to the next newsletter editor. It has been a privilege to serve the organization that has meant a great deal to me in both my personal and professional life. I am confident the new era of the newsletter will bring improvements and better integration of our technology.

I want to thank the executive board for providing me timely information over the years. Specifically, I want to thank Peter Hopsicker and Colleen English for their support and assistance in the dissemination of the newsletter.

Thank you and please contact our incoming newsletter editor with items to share with the organization!

Respectfully submitted,  
Adam Pfleegor

**Website Editor's Report**  
**Colleen English**

**Website**

Website traffic is relatively steady, with an average of 1,490 views per month and 580 visitors per month. The number of views per month is relatively the same as 2017-2018, but visitors is down. This may be attributed to the conference. For the 2018 meeting, more information about the conference was provided on the IAPS webpage than for the 2019 meeting. The tables below show monthly website traffic from August 2018 – August 2019 and yearly statistics from 2015 – 2019.

	AUG 18	SEP 18	OCT 18	NOV 18	DEC 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19	JUL 19	AUG 19
Views	1,581	2,074	1,383	1,091	1,489	1,102	1,230	1,475	2,193	1,701	1,439	1,464	1,146
Visitors	638	912	646	511	532	495	458	525	745	597	506	493	486

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 (as of Sept. 8)
Views	20,364	15,958	13,341	18,573	12,161
Visitors	8,399	7,122	5,779	7,711	4,483

Over the past year, I have maintained the website and performed a few minor updates to enhance the navigability of the site and its organization. At one point during the year, the website was down as background updates needed to be done. These were completed in a timely manner and the website was back and running in approximately one week. I am open to constructive feedback and criticism to making the site more functional and easier to use.

**Social Media**

IAPS currently has 765 Twitter followers, up from 664 as of last year's website editor's report.

IAPS Twitter activity is typically steady throughout the year, with the most significant activity in September, during the annual conference. The majority of Tweets on IAPS' timeline are about the conference—both in organizing information and session content. In general, Twitter seems to reach a significant number of users, many of whom are not members of the organization.

IAPS has both a Facebook Page and Facebook Group. The page currently has 153 followers. Posting on the page is limited to the administrator (me) and most posts convey information about the conference or the organization. The posts typically reach between 100-200 people.

The group currently has 313 members and is an interactive community. Occasionally, spam and inappropriate posts need to be removed and users blocked. Neither the Facebook Page or Group is very active. Both have had an increase in followers over the last year.

At this time, I view social media as the greatest potential growth for the organization on the web. As we grow as an organization and encourage more to take part in sport philosophy, social media can be a useful meeting ground. I welcome suggestions as to how we can increase our virtual presence.

## Conference Chair's Report

### **Conference Chair's Report**

#### **Executive**

**2018/19**

***Emily Ryall***

First, please may I thank Pam Sailor for her support in handing over the position of Conference Chair to me. It has been a very steep learning curve but she has responded to any questions that I have had with speed and patience.

Second, I wish to thank Koyo Fukasawa, Takayuki Hata and their team for all the work they have done in planning the conference. They have been absolutely brilliant in their diligence and support in getting the conference schedule organised.

Please find below an overview:

- Abstracts submitted: 92
- Abstracts accepted: 89
- Abstracts withdrawn: 12
- Final papers: 77

In addition, there are 8 papers for the joint JSPSPE meeting, and 3 keynote papers.

There are representatives from 22 countries including: US, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, UK, Canada, Poland, Netherlands, Czech Republic, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Slovenia, Hungary, Croatia, Belgium, Portugal, Italy, China, South Korea, Taiwan.

We received fewer than usual abstract submissions but this may be a result of both the location (there are unsurprisingly fewer European presenters than normal, but more Asian and Antipodean presenters) and the funding situation in many Universities (which may be a particular reason for such low numbers from the UK which traditionally has been a strong collective). It may also be a reflection of a greater reluctance to travel due to environmental concerns.

#### **Further thoughts:**

- I note from last year's Conference Chair's report that there was the suggestion that the Conference Chair is emailed directly with submissions for the student essay award, however this did not happen. Probably because I was unaware of the procedures and particular issue. One student made it clear in his submission to EasyChair that he wished to be considered for the essay prize and attached the complete essay, the other student did not. I will clarify the information that is sent out next year in relation to this.
- We only received two submissions for the student essay award which was disappointing considering there were more than two potential applicants. Students should be encouraged to submit their essays for the award – perhaps we should delay the submission date to after the abstract date so they have longer to write their essay?
- I sent an email to Alun (Chair) and Peter (Secretary) regarding future possibilities of recording and broadcasting the conference. I have asked for this to be discussed as an item on the agenda.

[2019 Elections Chair's Report - Chad Carlson](#)

Thanks to all who voted in this most recent election. We had a voter turnout of just under 60%--a few points below where we've been the past three elections. And thanks to all of the nominees. Most of the open positions had only a single nominee, in which case we follow the IAPS Constitution requiring a two-thirds majority of those voting to present the nominee for ratification. Each of the candidates for these open positions garnered more than two-thirds of the votes. In the race for the open Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee member, we had two candidates and therefore followed our Constitution stating that a plurality of the votes is needed. Thus, the nominee with the highest vote count is being presented for ratification.

Congratulations to those being presented for ratification!

**President**

Pam Sailors

**Newsletter Editor**

Kenneth Aggerholm

**Member-at-large**

Alfred Archer

John William Devine

**Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee**

Yoshiko Oda

**Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award**

Randolph Feezell

**Heather M. Reid Distinguished Service Award**

Junko Yamaguchi

The call for nominations will be in the March 2020 IAPS Newsletter. Please consider being a part of this process in some way. Send nominations to Chad Carlson at [ccarlson@hope.edu](mailto:ccarlson@hope.edu)

[2018-19 Honors, Awards, and Future Sites \(HAFS\) Committee Report](#)

**IAPS HAFS Committee (2019)**

Chair: Gabriela Tymowski-Gionet

Committee: Adam Berg

Mizuho Takemura

**Site Hosting Submissions**

We received one submission from Kevin Krein to host the 2020 IAPS conference at the University of Alaska in Juneau. Unfortunately, due to recent significant political and funding concerns, Kevin recommended that IAPS consider an alternate site for 2020. As Matija Mato Škerbić had already submitted an application for the University of Zagreb and University of Split to co-host IAPS in 2021, we asked if Matija and his colleagues Hrvoje Jurić and Damir Sekulić would consider hosting in 2020 in Split, Croatia, and they agreed. The dates have been confirmed as September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We will begin soliciting applications to host IAPS in 2021 immediately.

**Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholars Award**

Two nominations were received for the award: Randolph Feezell and Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza. Randolph Feezell was selected as the award winner for 2019.

**Heather Reid Distinguished Service Award**

Two nominations were received: Pam Sailors and Junko Yamaguchi. Junko Yamaguchi was selected as the award winner for 2019.

**R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award**

Boldizsár Baláz's paper, *Luka Modrić: The Innocent Who Rules*, was selected as the award winner for 2019.

All were excellent nominees, and the committee struggled to select only one winner for each award. We do hope those not chosen will be again nominated in the future.

**2019 R. Scott Kretchmar Graduate Essay Award (Review and Recommendations)**

This year we received only two submissions for the graduate essay contest, despite advertising and reminders to the IAPS membership to encourage submissions. We also sent out a further notice to those students who applied for travel awards, and extended the deadline. Along with limited interest in submissions for the award, neither of the two submissions were strong research papers. While certainly interesting, one was not philosophical (more historical in nature) and the other presented arguments that were flawed. Because of its orientation towards philosophical analysis, the latter gained an edge in the competition.

The R. Scott Kretchmar Award is an important asset for recruiting up and coming scholars into IAPS and the field of Sport Philosophy in general. Nevertheless, the HAFS Committee is concerned about the low quantity and quality of submissions. We would recommend the board consider ways to attract a stronger selection of graduate work. The follow are possible strategies for discussion:

- 1) Increase the monetary award;
- 2) Allow for no award in the case of less-than-stellar submissions;
- 3) Commit to covering all or some of the award winner's traveling expenses and accommodations, and registration;
- 4) Advertise the award on other sport studies (history, sociology) and philosophy listserves;
- 5) Make a concerted effort to advertise the award within the country or region where IAPS is being hosted;
- 6) Advertise the award early, and more comprehensively, on social media through IAPS platforms;
- 7) Encourage IAPS members to recruit submissions through their professional networks (included use of social media and word of mouth).