

Business Meeting Gender and Communication Section

27 November 2008; 2 pm -2.45 pm
2nd ECREA Conference, room 125, Barcelona - Spain

Present:

Claudia Alvares (chair), Sofie van Bauwel (vice-chair), Tonny Krijnen (vice-chair) and 11 ECREA session members

Agenda:

1. Introduction
2. Voting
3. Past activities - annual report 2007-2008
4. Future activities
5. Varia

1. Introduction

The chair introduces the gender and communication section, its activities and respective team, the latter who present a session team candidacy for the next term.

2. Official voting for the next term

A. The chair announces that the present team (Claudia Alvares (chair), Sofie van Bauwel (vice-chair), Tonny Krijnen (vice-chair)) will run for a second term in the same positions. The chair explains that because the section is young, the team will have to further consolidate the work developed so far and firmly establish the section in the direction already taken. No other person or teams have, according to the procedure, expressed their interest in running for positions within the section team.

B. According to the voting procedure described in the modus operandi of the section, voting ballots have been made available on-line and were distributed during the business meeting. The section received one vote by e-mail and collected 11 votes during the business meeting.

Voting results: 12 section members voted in favour of the following team's intention to run the section for the upcoming term.

Chair: Claudia Alvares

Vice-chair: Tonny Krijnen

Vice-chair: Sofie Van Bauwel

The chair thanks the members for voting and for supporting the section team.

3. Past Activities - annual report 2007-2008

The chair reads the annual report of the section (period of 2007-2008). See annual report (women's network; Barcelona conference, book on media agoras, cost proposal, honorary members).

4. Future activities

A. The gender section is thinking about a book proposal on gender and communication on the basis of the outcome of the conference papers. The section will try to draft a book proposal for the next call for book proposals of the ECREA book series (December 2008).

B. Claudia Alvares gave her view on the possibility of applying for an EU Cost Proposal. The gender section plans to initiate a cost proposal.

C. Tonny Krijnen explains that the Erasmus University of Rotterdam (The Netherlands) is willing to cooperate in the organization of a smaller research conference in 2009. The section is, negotiating with the young scholars network, the media and democracy section and the film section to co-organize this symposium.

D. Sofie Van Bauwel explains that the section is negotiating with the IAMCR popular culture working group and the IAMCR gender section to co-host a panel on gender and media at the IAMCR conference in Mexico.

E. All members are asked to participate in the section and to suggest ideas for future projects.

- Template: Construct a database of members with key terms relating to their fields of interest within gender and communication
- Consider the possibility of hosting a small workshop on specific themes like gender and politics in the media

5. Varia

- Possibility of establishing a prize for successful young scholar working on gender and communication within ECREA

Minutes by Sofie Van Bauwel