

ASECS Business Meeting
March 27, 2004 – 11:15 a.m.
Constitution Ballroom, Sheraton Hotel, Boston, MA

President Joan Landes called the meeting to order. It was determined that since there was no quorum, the meeting would be conducted for informational purposes only.

I. Summary of Major Executive Board Actions

- a. Approval of budget for 2004-05 and Treasurer's Report.
William Edmiston reported that the budget was balanced and that the Society is financially sound.
- b. Approval of Prizes, Awards, and Standing Committees.
2003-04 Prizes awards were made:

Louis Gottschalk Prize to Mary Terrall for "*The Man Who Flattened the Earth*" published by the University of Chicago Press.

James L. Clifford Prize to Gregory S. Brown for "*Reconsidering Censorship of Writers in Eighteenth-Century France*" published by the Journal of Modern History.

Annibel Jenkins Prize to George Marsden for "*Jonathan Edwards A Life*" published by Yale University Press.

Innovative Course Design Competition:

Cynthia Klekar – "*Fictions of the Gift: Generosity and Obligation in Eighteenth-Century English Literature*"

Carrie Hintz – "*Nell Gwyn and Restoration Culture*"

Elizabeth Child – "*Eighteenth-Century Studies and Brit Lit Survey: A Course Proposal*"

Graduate Student Paper Competition:

Nancy W. Collins – "*Sociability Transformed: How Le Souper became Le Salon*"

Women's Caucus' Catharine Macaulay Prize – Melissa Ganz, Yale University, - essay "*Moll Flanders and English Marriage Law*"

Society of Early Americanist essay contest – Brycchan Carey, Kingston University, "'Accounts of Savage Nations': The Spectator and the Americas"

Travel Fellowships –

Aubrey Williams – Recipient: Ilias Chrissochoidis

Theodore E.D. Braun – Recipient: Sarah Davies Cordova

Gwin J. and Ruth Kolb – Recipient: Nicholas Smith

Richard H. Popkin – Recipient: Tanya Erika Marie Hagen

Irish-American - Recipient: Betsey Taylor FitzSimon

II. Election Results

- a. Byron Wells reported the following ASECS election results:

President – Margaret Doody
First Vice President – Sarah Maza
Second Vice President – Felicity Nussbaum
First Member at Large – Helen Deutsch
Second Member at Large – Beth Wright

- III. Report on Annual Meetings:
 - a. Thanks were given to Ourida Mostefai and Larry Wolff and their committee for all the hard work that has gone into the 2004 annual meeting.
 - b. The 2005 meeting will be held at the Alexis Park Resort. Timothy Erwin and Gregory Brown will serve as co-chairs.
- IV. Wells reported that Board unanimously approved the appointment of Julia Simons, Timothy Morton, and Georges Van Den Abbeele of the University of California – Davis as the new editors of *Eighteenth-Century Studies*.