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MINUTES OF THE 2003 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

After the approval of Minutes of 2002 Business Meeting, a few reports were read hastily (Publications and Website; Membership and Budget; Conferences, Projects, and Cooperation). The Secretary-General announced that the elections for the 2005-2006 Executive Board will take place at our 2004 business meeting to be held at SPEP (in Memphis, TN), and that the E-Board will submit by-laws to the membership for amendments and vote in 2004. Members were encouraged to consider becoming Executive board or committee members. Jason Read and Steve DeCaroli were nominated to the SSPP Publications Committee (November 2003-November 2005) and Alejandro DeAcosta and Fouad Kalouche were nominated to the SSPP Conferences and Meetings Committee (November 2003-November 2005). Ballots (for elections and consultation on proposed projects) were distributed but due to the lack of time, many ballots were collected after the meeting and the final tally of votes was completed in the evening. It was however determined before adjourning the meeting that the formation of the committees and the election of their members were approved by a majority (of ballots by present members and proxy ballots). There was enough discussion, before and after adjourning the meeting (outside of the meeting room), of the individual items in the proposed projects. The final tally confirmed the elections, supported holding panels or a mini-conference at the APA Pacific starting 2005 (on social and political issues as well as on the history of philosophy), rejected holding a major international conference at this time, supported holding panels with the American Sociological Association (on the "Transformation of Capitalism" or other theme), and a majority supported publishing in a guest issue of an interdisciplinary philosophy journal (more members selected "such as *International Studies in Philosophy*" than "such as *Studies in Practical Philosophy*") along with editing a book series.