

# Minutes of the May 15, 1981 Council Meeting

The Council of the Association met at the Dupont Plaza Hotel, Washington, D.C., May 15, 1981.

Present: Bernard C. Cohen, Milton C. Cummings, Jr., William J. Daniels, John Ferejohn, Francine R. Frankel, Doris A. Graber, Robert Jervis, Malcolm E. Jewell, Charles O. Jones, William J. Keefe, Evron M. Kirkpatrick, Samuel A. Kirkpatrick, Charles E. Lindblom, Seymour Martin Lipset, Naomi B. Lynn, Harvey C. Mansfield, Jr., Marian Lief Palley, Robert E. Salisbury, Joseph A. Schlesinger, Raymond Tanter.

## Report of the President

President Lindblom informed the Council of the recent death of Frank J. Munger, who had been elected to the Council last September. He advised the Council that the Nominating Committee had met the previous week and had nominated Paul Allen Beck of Florida State University for a one-year term on the Council to fill the vacancy caused by Professor Munger's death. According to the Association's constitution, the Council has the authority to fill any vacancy until the end of the next Annual Meeting. Therefore, Jewell moved that Paul Allen Beck be elected to the Council to fill the interim period. The motion was approved without objection.

President Lindblom then presented the Council with his proposed appointments to the Rules Committee and Elections Committee, both of which are composed of members of the Council. Cummings moved approval of the appointments. The motion was approved without objection.

## FY 1981-82 Budget

Keefe presented the Council with the proposed budget for fiscal year 1981-82, as approved by the Administrative Committee. He noted that while a modest surplus was anticipated for FY 1980-81 and while under current policy a balanced budget will be achieved in FY 1981-82, the Association continued to face substantial long-range financial problems. He urged that special efforts be made to increase membership and to generate grant-supported activities. An extensive discussion of possible options for attracting new members and increasing revenues ensued. The Administrative Committee will meet this summer to frame options for Council action in September. Jones moved that the budget be adopted as presented. The motion was approved without objection.

## 1982 Program Committee

President-Elect Lipset presented the Council with his proposed appointments to the 1982 Program Committee. Palley moved acceptance of the appointments. The motion was approved without objection.

## State of the Discipline Book

President-Elect Lipset reported to the Council the recommendation of the Administrative Committee that a "State of the Discipline" book be developed from the 1982 Program. For several years, the Association has considered initiating the publication of an annual volume that reviews recent research in political science. One idea was to have the book be a product of the Annual Meeting with the President and Program Chair serving as editors and the section chairs or other scholars preparing the essays. Since the Lipset/Finifter plan for the 1982 Program included a "state of the discipline" panel in each section, the Administrative Committee thought 1982 would be a good year to experiment with such a volume. The Council supported the idea, with two caveats: (1) Lipset and Finifter should be given complete editorial control, including the selection of authors, who need not be section chairs, and (2) Lipset and Finifter should proceed with the presumption that they are developing the first in a series of review volumes published by the Association.

## IPSA Council Appointments

President-Elect Lipset advised the Council that the International Political Science Association has asked APSA to nominate our three representatives to the 1982 IPSA Congress in advance of the meeting so that they can be properly briefed. He proposed that he, as President of APSA, Thomas Mann, as Executive Director of APSA, and Philip E. Converse of the University of Michigan be appointed as the Association's representatives. Cummings moved approval of the appointments. The motion was approved without objection.

## Lasswell Symposium

The Administrative Committee recommended that an H. D. Lasswell Symposium be established to honor Harold Lasswell and to establish a structure whereby each year three outstanding political scientists will be selected to present papers addressed to a common theme at an Annual Meeting plenary session. Cummings moved the acceptance of the Administrative Committee proposal. The motion was approved without objection.

## Carey McWilliams Award

The Administrative Committee recommended that the Council establish a Carey McWilliams Award to honor a major journalistic contribution to our understanding of politics each year.

During discussion of the proposed award, Samuel Kirkpatrick moved that one member of the Selection Committee, appointed each year by the President of the Association, be a journalist. The motion was defeated by a show of hands vote.

Samuel Kirkpatrick moved that a Carey McWilliams Award, as proposed by the Administrative Committee, be established. The motion was approved without objection.

## Rules Committee Report

The Council received the proposed Rules for the 1981 Annual Business Meeting and Association Election. Lynn moved approval of the rules. The motion was approved without objection.

Graber asked that Council members be consulted well in advance of meetings regarding the agenda. Mann said that such a provision would be added to the by-laws, which will be revised this summer by the Rules Committee.

## Annual Meeting Registration Fee

The Council reviewed letters which had been sent to the national office objecting to a requirement that all participants on unaffiliated panels (including non-political scientists) pre-register for the Annual Meeting. The national office recommended that the waiver of pre-registration of invited non-political scientists appearing on the official program of the meeting be extended to include those appearing in unaffiliated listings. The Council approved without objection a revised policy which reads as follows:

"Non-political scientists who are invited to appear on official Program Committee panels or on panels of unaffiliated groups and whose only participation in the Annual Meeting is the acceptance of the invitation, may petition the Association for exemption."

## Commendation for Walter Beach

Keefe moved that the Council commend Walter Beach for his outstanding contribution to the American Political Science Association over many years and for his contributions to political science in general. The motion was approved by acclamation.

## Project '87

Austin Ranney and Jack Peltason, members of the Joint Committee on Project '87 appeared before the Council to review the background of Project '87 and the proposals of the Com-

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mittee for future development. Following extensive discussion of the appropriateness of Project '87 for the APSA, and the need for procedures that insure proper oversight and accountability, Samuel Kirkpatrick moved to adopt the Arnold and Porter report (a copy of which is attached to the record copy of these minutes) as guidelines for the future development of Project '87 and to proceed with fundraising on the basis of the strategy outlined in the report. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

### **Federal Funding for Social Sciences**

Thomas Mann presented the Council with materials concerning the proposed budget reductions at NSF, NIMH, NIE and

NEH, along with letters and articles generated in response to the Reagan social science budget. He advised the Council that members of the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) had agreed to pool resources in an effort to reverse in Congress the recommendations of the Reagan Administration.

### **Commendation for Evron Kirkpatrick**

Cohen moved that the Council thank Evron Kirkpatrick for his long years of good and faithful service to the Association. The motion was approved by acclamation.