The Division of Rural Criminology - Inaugural Meeting Minutes

The American Society of Criminology - 11/16/18

1. Call to Order at 3:30 PM by Dr. Joseph Donnermeyer
2. Agenda:
   1. Welcome attendees to the inaugural meeting of The Division of Rural Criminology
   2. Review & approve the proposed constitution
   3. Take suggestions for future sessions to be hosted by the division
   4. Discuss future journal entries and formats to be hosted by the division
3. Welcome by Dr. Joseph Donnermeyer
   1. 39 attendants
4. Constitution Review: Attendees reviewed the constitution to make corrections, provide suggestions, and finalize the official constitution of the division
   1. Purpose and Objectives - Approved
   2. Membership- Approved (pending corrections)
      1. Spelling error correction
   3. Officers and Executive Board - Approved (pending corrections)
      1. Clarification of term length for Chair needed (6 years total)
      2. Clarification of Chair, Chair-elect, Vice-chair, and Vice-chair elect
   4. Committees - Approved
      1. Suggested future awards: lifetime achievement, rural criminologist of the year, best graduate student paper, best undergraduate student paper
   5. Elections - Approved (pending corrections)
      1. Remove requirement of geographic location of committee members
      2. Correction: An online ballot will be used in place of a mail ballot
      3. Correction: the chair will elect an elections committee every *other* year
      4. Clarify spelling of “counsellor” throughout the constitution
      5. Remove extra “years” from #5
   6. Newsletter - Approved (pending corrections)
      1. Including punctuation after “minimum” in #3
      2. Clarify the term length of editors (2 consecutive terms, but no third term allowed)
   7. Amending - Approved (pending corrections)
      1. Clarify ballot system being used for amendment voting (in regards to the changes from mail ballot to an online ballot that were made previously)
5. Suggestions for Future Sessions:
   1. Review of Hillbilly Elegy
   2. Violence Against Women
   3. Internation Rural Crime
   4. Energy Development
   5. Development of Rural Criminology
6. Discussion of Journal Entries:
   1. Encourage the use of special issue formatting for rural crime journal entries
   2. Propose the eventual shutdown of the current online journal with the increase and of the diversity of submissions
   3. Call for guest journal editors, Dr. Joseph Donnermeyer
   4. Suggestion for a special issue discussing the development of rural criminology since 1996
7. Approval of the Constitution
   1. Motion to approve, Dr. Walter Dekeseredy
   2. Motion seconded, Dr. Rashi Shukla
   3. 36 ayes, 0 nays
8. Conclusion of The Division of Rural Criminology Inaugural Meeting