**Minutes of the Meeting of May 5, 2001
At California State University, Sacramento**

**Present**: Ted Anagnoson (scribe) [Los Angeles]; Nan Chico [Hayward], Jim Ross [Bakersfield], Jon Ebeling (Chico), Ted Lascher (Chair) [Sacramento], John Korey [Pomona], Tony Hernandez [SSDBA, Los Angeles], Ed Nelson [Fresno], Jae Emenhiser [Humboldt], Rich Taketa [San Jose], Elliott Barkan [San Bernardino].

**Agenda:**

1.      **Recommendations for ICPSR Summer Awards** (Ebeling).

1. Ebeling presented recommendations for Dr. Amy Liu, Professor of Sociology at CSU Sacramento to receive $1,800 to attend two one-week courses, and Dr. Ward Rodriguez, Professor of Psychology and Statistics at CSU Hayward, to receive $1,200 to attend one one-week long course.
2. Recommendations m/s/p.

2.      **Letter to Deans** (Lascher).

1. Lascher sent a letter to Deans where members had supplied him with the name and address of the relevant Dean.
2. Discussion of the need for alternates for members who attend meetings rarely. Lascher is contacting members about the designation of alternates.
3. Info will be sent also to alternates, who will be added to the mailing list.

3.      **Student Research Conference** (Lascher).

1. Consensus that the numbers for the conference this year were very good. 26 papers were signed up, representing 10 campuses, and all but two paper presenters attended and presented their papers.
2. Discussion of online registration – hard to keep track of registrants using this system.
3. PowerPoint presentations are still a real problem because of the absence of classroom presentation equipment. General consensus to bring transparencies or other backups.
4. The conference is at San Bernardino next year.

4.      **ICPSR** (Korey).

1. Direct access to data – being tested now. Next year this is to be the preferred method.
2. A substantial question is what the role of the official representative will be with direct access to data as the preferred method for most campuses. One consideration here is that ORs are now as likely to be librarians as they are to be faculty.
3. ICPSR is wrestling with what a fair pricing mechanism should be in this circumstance. The price of the ICPSR data is inexpensive compared with other commercial databases. How much of the pricing should be based on the quantity of usage? One possibility is the JSTOR model, using the Carnegie classification scheme for universities (under which most CSUs are MA level institutions).
4. Other things that are happening – some data is available only in a special secure room because of the identifiability of the data sources and records.
5. What should we do? Korey said he would have a better sense in June after the next ICPSR Board meeting.
6. For the OR meeting in the fall, the ICPSR pays for five round-trip air fares to Detroit/Ann Arbor; the person traveling is responsible for room and some meals. Some meals are provided. The next meeting is 10/25-27/01.

**5.      Chancellor’s Office – Payment for Field and ICPSR**

1. m / s / p (Barkan) – that if we cannot obtain a decision on funding for the ICPSR and Field in writing by 5/15/01, we would request a meeting with David Ernst and Richard West by the end of the month. Unanimously approved.
2. [Anagnoson insert – I have just been elected to the Statewide Senate, if that could be of use. I just attended the organizational meeting, although the first regular meeting is just after Labor Day at this stage.]

6.      **Social Science Data Base Archive** (Hernandez).

1. A new feature is online registration for accounts, with the user selecting his or her own password. The sponsor of a student account then gets email and grants access through going to the SSDBA www site.
2. Student accounts expire the end of June each year. Prior to 6/30 of each year, the faculty sponsor is notified and told to tell Tony that the project is continuing and the account needs to continue also. Accounts are good for one year at a time.
3. Last year’s annual report is almost done.
4. Last year, $31,504 was rolled over into this year.
5. Field Polls – most recent are not on site.
6. Human Subjects Review – unanimous feeling that with secondary data, human subjects review is not necessary and redundant. This came up vis a vis a faculty member at Long Beach. Tony is to get in touch with her and see if this is a continuing problem; if so, the council will revisit the notion of putting something up on the www site about the non-need for human subjects review when data are secondary and review has taken place on the campus where data are collected or with the organization that originally collected the data. [There is also the obvious point that people cannot be placed at risk with secondary analysis, but this is so obvious one wonders where the LB people are.]
7. 2000 General Social Survey – very late. Nelson is calling Roper about it. It is to be available at the end of May.

7.      **Field Institute Programs**.

1. Lascher stated that he was the fellow last year and had still not been paid. He is to inquire with Field as to the current status.
2. No consensus on when the Field Research Conference should be held. This year it is 6/8/01.

8.      **NSF Proposal** (Nelson).

1. Nelson reported that he is reworking the NSF proposal in the light of the reviewers’ comments. He expects to have the proposal submitted for the round beginning in early June.

9.      **Mailing list** (Nelson).

1. The mailing list was emailed to reps recently; please update. Eliminate FERPs; put in new faculty; whatever seems most sensible.

10.  **Update on 01-02 meetings**.

1. Humboldt, October 5-6 – Saturday workshop may be on Census 2000.
2. Fresno, February 8-9 (Fish Camp)
3. San Bernardino, April 26-27 or May 3-4.
4. In Fish Camp, the place is the Tenaya Lodge, where rooms will be $99 for a single or double. Ed is to send out the info on making reservations. The number at Tenaya Lodge is 1-800-635-5807 or (559) 683-6555. From Fresno to the Lodge is just over an hour more or less.

11.  **Information competency** (Ross).

1. Ross reported that he had a grant from his campus to develop a program of information competency for students in Sociology. He is having an open workshop on 6/1-6/2. This would produce ideas that one can consider for classroom use. Some/all of these would go on the TRD, which he would like to restructure in Summer, 2001.

12.  **Kudos** (Emenhiser).

1. Thanks to Ted Lascher for an excellent student research conference and for being SSRIC chair in 2000-2001.

13.  **Adjournment for lunch** – 11:45 a.m.

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