TO: SSRIC Council Members February 22, 1978

FROM: KEN WAGNER, Scribe

SUBJECT: Minutes of Winter SSRIC Council Meeting, Hayward, February 16-17

PRESENT: Paul Strand, Charles Wilmot, Dan Graves(host), Gene Geisler,

Wayne Martin, Ken Wagner, Mike King (for Jon Ebeling), Larry Giventer, Larry Brewster, Ed Nelson, Roger Harrell, Jay Stevens, John Korey, Don Dixon, Jim Ross, Bruce Haston(Chair)

AGENDA:

1. Field Poll Data Workshop

Paul Strand conducted a workshop using the March 1977 Field Poll Data as the data base. He discussed the advantages of using these data, i.e., current, topical information based on a California sample that is appropriate for state and local government classes. He also noted problems regarding format structure and coding categories. He provided each council member with a codebook and JCL for using a recoded and reformatted version of the March 177 Poll. He is currently working on a similar revision of the September 1977 Poll.

1. Keyword Index

Don Dixon reported that a Cross Index Word List is being compiled. It is, in principle, similar to the ICPSR Continuity Guide.

1. Class I Codebooks

Question: Why don't we have all of them? The Chair will seek an answer from Joan Mott and/or Jim Hightower.

1. Data on GYBER

Question: Why the problems getting data on disk on CYBER? The Chair will relay problems to Jim Hightower and agendize for the next meeting.

1. Programs, Goals, and Objectives of the 33RIC

.Bruce Haston explained that he had formulated the document to attach tJ grant proposals and to serve as a means to transmit Council objectives to persons on local campuses.

It was suggested that paragraph 6 be moved to a final paragraph position since it concerns the duties of the OR's.

Winter Meeting '78 - 2

1. SSRIC Proposed Summer Workshop

Ed Nelson reported that 99 persons indicated interest in participation in a two-wee k summer workshop. They represented campuses at Chico, Sonoma, pan Diego, Hayward, Fresno, Humboldt, Dominguez Hills, Los Angeles, Fullerton, and Pomona.

Respondents indicated a preference (60 percent of all respondents) for a travel and living expense stipend if they were to participate. The highest priority for substantive content was assigned to Research Methodology, Data analysis and Accessing data.

The Chair will contact David Nassator (Dominguez Hills) about directing the Workshop. If he consents, efforts will proceed to obtain funding, instructors, and site location. If problems persist, the workshop will be rescheduled for the Summer of 1979 and plans will be made now for that Workshop.

1. Student Research Conference

Jay Stevens distributed posters that advertise the Conference to be held at Long Beach on April 28 in conjunction with the Spring Council Meeting. Each school may send 2 undergraduate and 1 graduate studenta. Warren Miller will be the featured speaker. Papers and information regarding who will attend is due to Jay by April 6.

1. Field Poll

One copy of each Field Poll Codebook is now available in the

Chancellor's Office. Chuck Wilmot prepared and distributed

copies of a summary of each Poll's contents for the years 1971-19761

Those persons who desire to examine particular codebooks are to

call Wilmot (213) 590-5535.

The June Primary Pre-election Studies will be bundled into one data set and released in June (after the primary). Wilmot will check to determine if they can be obtained separately.

Jay Stevens and Phil Gianos met with Mervin Field to discuss a California Election Study as part of the '78 Field Poll. There is no report that funding is available at this time. If funding is not available, the Questionnaire committee is directed to begin working on a study design for the 1980 Election, with consideration of using the 12 question credits if other funding is not obtained.

Concern will be relayed to Field by the Chair regarding the exclusive use of phone interviews during the administration of the 1978 Poll.

Winter Meeting 178 - 3

Field Poll (cont'd)

The Council Questionnaire Committee reported accepting one proposal that will use an estimated 6 question credits and another that will use an estimated 2 question credits. The remaining question credits

* will be carried over to the next year, if permitted, and Jay :Stevens will circulate a request for proposals for consideration in the 1978-79 academic year Polls.

|  |
| --- |
| Larry Giventer will present a working draft for the Field Poll intern proposal at the Spring meeting |

1. ICPSR Summer Workshop

Don Dixon will serve as Workshop Coordinator

1. Data Bases

The 1976 Election subset (70 variables – weighted sample is in batch and CYBER. Access a codebook on CYBER with ? K(N=7)

Wayne Martin distributed codebooks for two International Relations data sets. One is the WEIS data - International interactions chronologically by day as recorded in the NY TIMES (1967-76). The other included data from 132 countries for the years 1968-75. Wayne provided information for accessing the data.

Ed Nelson provided the tape number for a NORC data set that merges the Verba-Nie Study data.

1. DECAP Proposal

It was decided that Council Sponsorship of the Sonoma-based proposal under the Innovative Study Proposal should not be provided. This is not to imply any opposition to the proposal, however.

1. Meeting Schedule 1978-79

Tentative - Fall 1978 - San Jose

* Winter 1979 - in the South
* Spring 1979 - San Francisco

1. The chair will circulate a nominating ballot for Council Chair for 1978-79. Final balloting will be by mail prior to the Spring Council meeting. Those desiring to have their names removed from the nominating ballot are to tell the Chair.
2. It was proposed that efforts should be made to secure Research Assistance support for the Chair.

Meeting adjourned.