Call to Order: 12:15 pm PST, by Valeria Sinclair Chapman, co-President of the APSA Organized Section on REP.

**Presiding Officers**: Valeria Sinclair-Chapman (out-going) and Karthick Ramakrishnan (continuing) (co-Presidents)

**Introduction and welcome** from Valeria Sinclair Chapman, outgoing co-President. She discussed a brief agenda. Welcome, introductions, and thank you! Congratulations to Tony Affigne for his award.

**Reports and Announcements**

**Minutes**: Jessica Lavariega Monforti, continuing secretary, was unable to attend the 2010 annual meeting because of health issues; no minutes were submitted for review. Minutes will be made available for review and approval electronically/online.


**Report from 2011 REP Program Co-Chairs** (Yvette Alex-Assensoh and David Lublin): Neither are present. Valeria Sinclair-Chapman provides a brief report. 18 full (including co-sponsored) panels were composed. We officially have 582 members as of August 23, 2011; this number is down slightly. More panel attendance is needed in order to keep panel allocations proportionate. No need to approve report.

**Newsletter Editors’ Report** (Catherine Paden and Natalie Masuoka): Neither are present. No report submitted. The fall newsletter already went out prior to this annual meeting. No discussion.

**Best Dissertation Award Committee:** Chair Cara Wong. Committee Members: Chris Parker and John Mollenkopf Not present, no report. Winner: Claire Adida's dissertation entitled “Immigrant Exclusion and Insecurity in Africa” (Stanford Ph.D.).

**Nominations and Elections:**
Dianne Pinderhughes chaired the committee. Other committee members included: Andy Aoki, Todd Shaw and Rodney Hero. Handout provided to all in attendance, as seen below:

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Vote on new council members: Motion by Joseph Yi to accept slate, Seconded by Louis DeSipio. Unanimous approval.

Old Business

- Continued discussion of a possible REP affiliation/sponsorship of a journal
  - Report from the Journal Option Evaluation Committee, chaired by Jane Junn. The members of the committee are Matt Barreto, University of Washington; Zoltan Hajnal, University of California, San Diego; Vince Hutchings, University of Michigan; Julia Jordan-Zachery, Providence College; and Tyson King-Meadows, University of Maryland, Baltimore County.
  - REP Journal Options Evaluation Committee Report is available online via APSAConnect.
  - The committee is charged with evaluating the options available to REP for a section journal. The committee is asked to recommend a course of action to the Executive Council and to propose a decision rule for the REP membership.

The committee met several times by conference call. Members discussed the goals of a section journal and the available options. The committee systematically gathered information from editors of APSA and other political science journals in order to ascertain the range of experiences in terms of start-up costs, relationship to publishers, support for the editor from his or her university, number of manuscripts, necessity of support staff including a managing editor, copy editor and editorial assistants. We collected information from current and past editors of Perspectives on Politics; Politics & Gender; Politics, Groups, and Identities (not launched as of this date); Urban Affairs Review; Politics and Religion; the DuBois Review; and the National Political Science Review.

- The committee recommends the REP section begin its own journal. The committee recommends the creation of an implementation committee with the charge of articulating the mission of the journal, specifying the reporting relationship between the section and the editor, securing a founding editor, negotiating a financially sound arrangement with a high-quality university press as publisher, investigating efficiency and cost-saving strategies, and considering co-publishing with allied journals. We recommend that one or two members of this committee be carried over to the implementation committee for continuity.
The co-Presidents provided a FAQ regarding the journal, which is available online, and encouraged members to engage in a discussion on APSA Connect. So far only one person has posted there.

DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:
Questions about potential collaborations, section dues increases and the Social Science Index referencing were asked by members. Gary Segura indicated that he opposed moving forward with an REP Section journal; concerns about number of quality manuscripts being rejected at already-established outlets. Asked if this is going to be a revenue stream for the section. Michael Jones-Correa raised concerns about the availability of institutions willing to support an editorial staff. However, he also indicated support for a journal in terms of traffic of manuscripts – traffic will come if a path is developed. Raised questions about an electronic journal rather than a paper journal to keep costs down. Lester Spence indicated that the section should seek the electronic version first, then build out to a paper version as necessary. Ange-Marie Hancock talked about PGI and cooperation that could be developed there to communicate a shared voice. Michael Minta raised questions about competitiveness of journal and quality. Tony Affigne said that this is not a short-term decision and many of the concerns being raised here were raised when he worked to build the section; while this work will be difficult we can meet these challenges. We need to look 10 years down the road – the number of submissions to the section are growing and we have a high rejection rate….the papers will be written. Jessica Lavariega Monforti raised the notion that we should have a journal to define our subfield rather than reaction to others’ definition(s) in other venues; it is an issue of voice.

New Business:
- Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee report: Paula Mohan: The bylaws were well-constructed. The committee was asked to clean up some of the language and align policy with contemporary practices such as allowing for the use of technology in voting. We also matched the bylaws language with actual practice, such as up-dating committees that are active. Report submitted for review; report is available online via APSAConnect.

- Proposed Amendments to APSA Elections
  3 proposals are being considered that might change the structure of APSA elections to open, competitive elections. Several people point out that every time there has been a contested election in APSA a person of color has lost. All members are encouraged to attend the meeting and speak out at the All-APSA Membership meeting -- will be held Saturday, Sept 3 at 12:15pm, Room C6, Convention Center. REP Members should plan to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm PST.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Lavariega Monforti, Secretary for Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Section (#32) of the APSA