Formal Motion 103, Promoting Chapter Activities, \$20,000 in 2011 budget. (Revised 3-12-11)

In order to support the development of capacity in of System Dynamics in locations that are outside of the default conference locations the sum of \$20,000 will be reallocated in the 2011 Society budget from "Strategic Investment (one time)" to a new line item "Strengthening the Field (one time)."

Chapters in good standing are encouraged to develop and submit proposals to the VP Chapters. "Development of capacity" as used here means new initiatives for workshops and/or training delivered by established system dynamics experts external to the proposing group. An ad hoc "Strengthening the Field Committee (SFC)" consisting of VP Meetings (ex officio chair), VP Finance and President will be responsible for substantive review and final approval of proposals and awarding grants with this money.

The budgeted line item, if not fully expended in 2011, will carry over to 2012 and thereafter expire. Possible long-term budget and specific selection criteria will be considered after evaluating outcomes of this first-time experience. The same committee is therefore also charged with presenting a proposal for a long term strategy for such capacity and awareness development at the 2012 Winter meeting of the Policy Council for consideration as a firm proposal as part of the 2013 and later budgets.

Note: To provide continuity for the SFC, the President (David Lane) will retain membership into 2012.