

# Wednesday, January 27, 2021

## Attendees

Quorum present.

## Agenda

- 0:15 President's Remarks (Paulo Gonçalves)
- 0:10 Stewardship Committee Announcement (Birgit Kopainsky)
- 0:25 VP Publications Report (Krys Stave)
- 0:25 VP Meetings Discussion (Len Malczynski)
- 0:05 Announcements (Paulo Gonçalves)
  - 2021 Projects
  - Upcoming Meetings
- Adjournment

## Minutes

Incoming President Paulo Goncalves called the meeting to order and delivered his presidential welcome. Issues touched included a welcome and overview of his thinking on strategy and focus on the upcoming year including efforts to maintain continuity of last year's efforts, focus on execution, and building a new cadence for meetings.

**Stewardship Committee Warmup:** Past President Birgit Kopainsky joked that she briefly considered an insurrection, but then quickly ceded authority to our new president. She then proceeded to alert the Society about discussions related to the Stewardship Committee. She provided

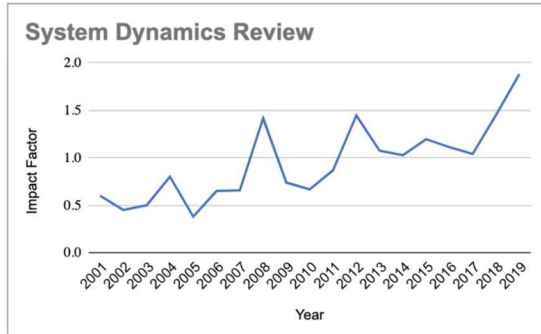
- a brief history,
- updated us on efforts by Jorgen Randers, David Anderson, Laura Peterson, Warren Farr, and Birgit Kopinasky to get this committee started, and
- Generally got us started in thinking about some motions that will be coming forward
  - Release embargoed funds from the Legacy Fund Campaign,
  - Ratifying the above committee, and
  - Approving Policy changes to support this effort.

Further discussion will take place at the February Policy Council meeting. Birgit will collect any questions in the chat.

**Publications Report:** VP of Publications, Krys Stave, gave her annual report.

- She announced that Andreas Größler will be taking over as Executive Editor for Yaman Barlas, though we are lucky to have Yaman continue in a supporting role as part of Andreas' Team.
- She then turned over the floor to our prior Executive Editor, Yaman Barlas who gave an overview of System Dynamic Review achievements over the last five years. Highlights included:
  - a general upward trend in interest in submissions and two records in a row and we are at our proposed goal of 1.5 for impact factor for System Dynamics Review.
  - rejection rate is still high at 60%.
  - Number one challenge is strong review commitment. [Sign up here!](#)
  - We are not getting great support from Wiley.
- Our incoming Executive Editor, Andreas Größler, then introduced himself, thanked Yaman, and promised to continue his upward trend.
- Krys Stave then gave an overview of the changing journal market, discussed some challenges with the Wiley relationship, and alerted us to the fact that our current contract ends on 12/31/2023 and that contract renegotiation and any switching to new providers needs to be decided in 2022.

- Questions were taken and Shayne Gary recommended having multiple publishers under review including Sage Publishers. Prior conversations included Sage and Springer. MDPI and EG. Some comments were made related to the desire to move to open access. Jack Homer suggested that he would not submit if open access because his clients would not be willing to pay the open access fees.



Source: Incites Journal Citation Reports

**VP Meetings Discussion:** VP of Meetings, Len Malczynski, led a discussion. He began with a brief history of the conference and how the selection process works. Criteria for site selection under consideration as a strawman:

- Must have a strong host
- Virtual conference will be default site
- Ideally a university host who will donate space and allow folks to eat and sleep elsewhere

Call for AVP and committee members.

Birgit Kopainsky moved to adjourn. Some unknown person seconded. It was unanimous.