

**Politics and Literature Organized Section, APSA
2004 Annual Business Meeting
Minutes**

1. 2004 Best Paper Award presented to Mary Keys
Rowman and Littlefield Publishers sponsored the award
1. Leadership Change Approved: Eduardo Velasquez, 2005 Chair-elect, was voted 2005 Panel Chair, to replace Aristide (Ty) Tessitore, who withdrew
2. Election of Chair-Elect: there were two nominees submitted on-line
Joe Lane elected 2006 Panel Chair
3. New Members-At-Large Elected: Michael Zuckert and Peter Josephson
4. 2005 Best Paper Award Committee: Mary Keys (award winner), chair; Lilly Goren (outgoing panel chair); Ann Ward (ex officio)
5. Merger with Politics and Film Group Approved
6. Changes in By-Laws Approved:
 - a) Organized Section name changed to “Politics, Literature, and Film”
 - b) Members-At-Large expanded to three – third member designated from the former Politics and Film group for one 2-year term
 - c) Panel Chair and Chair-Elect will serve one-year terms
 - d) In the event that Panel Chair withdraws and Chair-Elect is unable to step in, the Executive Committee will choose an alternate candidate from the current section membership; a final vote will be taken at the next annual business meeting
7. Politics, Literature, and Film Journal Exploratory Committee Formed: Eduardo Velasquez (Chair); David Nichols; Mary Nichols; Denise Schaeffer
8. Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.