

New APSA Council Members Elected

Eight new members of the APSA council were elected last fall. The new members are Paul Gronke, Reed College; Ange-Marie Hancock, University of Southern California; David A. Lake, University of California, San Diego; Taeku Lee, University of California, Berkeley; Kenneth J. Meier, Texas A&M University; Kathleen Thelen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Stephen M. Walt, Harvard University; and Angelia R. Wilson, University of Manchester.

Total voter turnout for the election was 4,529, or 34.1% of all eligible voters. In the past, the association has had 32.7%, 32.0%, 30.3%, and 30.4% voter turnouts for the council elections. Simon Hix, London School of Economics; and Dara Z. Strolovitch, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; with Julie L. Novkov, SUNY, University at Albany, as chair, composed the elections committee that oversaw the election and certifies the results. Michael Marriott served at the election manager. The vote was conducted by Vote-now.com under contract to APSA. Detailed results can be found at <http://www.apsanet.org/elections>.

Under APSA election rules, the nominating committee proposes one name per open seat and additional nominations that are sponsored by at least 10 members may

be made from the membership. The new council members assume office immediately.

These individuals will join current council members and those members elected at the APSA Annual All Member Business Meeting held during the 2011 APSA Annual Meeting: president-elect, Jane Mansbridge, Harvard University; vice presidents, Morris Fiorina, Stanford University; Kerstin Hamann, University of Central Florida; treasurer, Jonathan Benjamin-Alvarado, University of Nebraska, Omaha; and secretary, Lisa Martin, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Outgoing members are Cristina Beltrán, Haverford College; Yun-han Chu, Academia Sinica and National Taiwan University; Mark Graber, University of Maryland; Evelyne Huber, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Thomas Mann, Brookings Institution; Joseph McCormick, Pennsylvania State University, York; Julie Novkov, State University of New York, Albany; and Laurel Weldon, Purdue University.

CONTINUING COUNCIL MEMBERS, 2010–12

The following members were elected in 2010, and they will continue their service on the council until the fall of 2012:

- Jeffrey M. Berry, Tufts University
- Michael C. Desch, University of Notre Dame

- Christopher F. Gelpi, Duke University
- Simon Hix, London School of Economics
- Mala N. Htun, University of New Mexico
- Anne Norton, University of Pennsylvania
- Laura Katz Olson, Lehigh University
- Dara Z. Strolovitch, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

APSA Constitution Amended

Members also approved an amendment to the APSA constitution. The nominating committee is now constitutionally required to follow a diversity principle when it selects candidates. This principle was also included in the bylaws, but it was only an advisory position. Additionally, this will expand the list of diversity criteria. The language of the amendment reads: “The Nominating Committee shall select candidates with due regard to geographical distribution, fields of professional interest, types of institution, race, gender, ethnicity, methodological orientation, gender identity, sexuality, and other important forms of diversity.”