

Journal of Community Practice – Report from the Editors
 Meeting of the ACOSA Board
 CSWE APM 2008, Philadelphia, PA

Thursday, October 30, 11:30a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Independence Ballroom III

REPORT

1. JCP Editor Team Introductions
 - Current term began June 2007
 - Associate Editors, Benson Chisanga and Scott Harding unable to attend

2. Updates on overall status
 - Change in publishers from Haworth to Taylor & Francis
 - Volume 16 has been submitted to Taylor & Francis
 - Subscribers have received issues through 16:2. 16:3 has been published and should be mailed to subscribers soon.
 - Issue 16:4 was submitted to Taylor & Francis in late September 2008
 - Issue 17:1-2 is slated for the special issue on “Economic Justice, Labor, and Community Practice. This double issue is scheduled for publication in June 2009.
 - Of 32 proposals that were submitted, the authors of 29 proposals were invited to submit full manuscripts for the special issue
 - 24 manuscripts were received and are currently undergoing peer review or pending dispositions by the special issue Editors
 - Editor collaboration
 - Regular e-mail and phone calls, and periodic phone conference calls
 - Continued use of CTools site (on-line shared workspace through the University of Michigan), but plan to switch to another alternative
 - Staff since last APM meeting:
 - Ana H. Santiago remains in the role of Managing Editor (since January 2004)

2. Report on manuscript numbers (see Table I)

**Table I. Actions: Editor Team II (Johnson Butterfield, Simmons, Soska, Chisanga, Harding)
 June 15, 2007 – Oct. 15, 2008**

	Jan. 1, 2007 – Dec.31, 2007 (Volume 15)	June 15, 2007 – Dec. 31, 2007	Jan. 1, 2008 – Dec. 31, 2008 (Volume 16)	Totals for Editor Team II
Total # of MS Submissions	54	25	63	88
Total # MSs Accepted (by Volume Year)	21	NA	23	35
Total # MSs Rejected (by Author Notification Date)	31	14	33	47
Publication Rate*	40%	NA	41%	43%

* Publication Rate “Formula” = # MSs submitted to Haworth / # rejected + # submitted to Haworth

Current Status of Manuscripts (January 1, 2008 – October 15, 2008)

- Manuscripts under review = 21
- Manuscripts under revision = 0
- Manuscripts pending editorial action (confirmation/decision regarding reviewer dispositions) = 10

3. Finances (see Table 2)

Table 2. Financial Report -- Current Year: January 1, 2008—October 25, 2008

Type	Amount
\$ Allocated by ACOSA to <i>JCP</i> Remaining	\$2460.61
Royalty Income Remaining	\$5,615.50
<i>JCP</i> Funds Available:	\$8076.11
<i>Expenses</i>	
General Operations	\$103.22
Wages	\$4,281.54
Total Expenses 2005:	\$4384.76

- Note that the financial status report assumes in-kind provision of: office space, phone, computer, supplies, mailing, use of university-based CTools site, copy editing by editor team members, plus other efforts of editor team(s).

4. Editorial Board

- The Editors express their appreciation to the Board for their service.
- The Editors note that it is extremely helpful when extensive narrative comments are provided with reviews, to provide feedback to authors, assist Editors in making decisions, and improve the perceived quality of the reviews, as well as *JCP* itself.

5. Book Review Editors

- To be reported on by the Book Review Editors, Marilyn Sullivan-Cosetti and Catherine Havens.

6. Marie Weil Award

- The Editors intend to continue this award and would appreciate the commitment of the Editorial Board members to select winners for Volumes 16 and 17. The winners for these volumes will be presented at APM 2009.
- The Editors would like to thank Volume 14 winners, Femida Handy, PhD (University of Pennsylvania) and Meenaz Kassam, PhD (American University of Sharjah), whom donated their award money back to ACOSA.

Report submitted by the Editors:

Alice K. Johnson Butterfield

Louise Simmons

Tracy Soska

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- Number of **rejected** manuscripts = 33

Actions: Editor Team I July 1, 2002 – June 15, 2007

- Total number of manuscripts submitted under Editor Team I (Alvarez, Gutiérrez, Johnson Butterfield, Moxley) (from MS # 418.02 – 743.07) = 326
- Number of manuscripts accepted = 105 (Volumes 11-15)
- Number of manuscripts rejected = 212
- Total publication rate during Editor Team I = 33% (105 MSs submitted to Haworth / 212 rejected + 105 submitted to Haworth)

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	July 1, 2002 – Dec. 31, 2002	Jan. 1, 2003 – Dec. 31, 2003 (Volume 11)	Jan. 1, 2004 – Dec. 31, 2004 (Volume 12)	Jan. 1, 2005 – Dec. 31, 2005 (Volume 13)	Jan. 1, 2006 – Dec. 31 2006 (Volume 14)	Jan. 1, 2007 – June 15, 2007 (Volume 15:1/2)	Totals for Editor Team I
Total # of MS Submissions	18	80	99	44	56	29	326
Total # MSs Accepted (by Volume Year)	N/A	17	19	24	24	9	93
Total # MSs Rejected (by Author Notification Date)	N/A	36	63	67	29	17	212
Publication Rate*	N/A	32%	23%	26%	45%	35%	30%

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