WSWS Officer and Committee Report (Spokane Conference Meeting 2011)

Office or Committee Name: STUDENT PAPER JUDGING COMMITTEE

Officer or Chairperson Name and Committee Members: Roland Schirman(2012), Chair
Andy Hulting(2011), Jamshid Ashigh(2013)

Date of Preparation (include year): 2/4/2011

Activities during the Year: President elect Peterson supplied the list of titles submitted in early January. Based on numbers(17 papers – 22 posters) the committee decided via email conference to have two divisions in both Oral presentations and Posters, grouping on which project the presentation had been submitted. Students were emailed acknowledgement of entry and summary guidelines for presentation expectations. A mass emailing to WSWS members garnered 19 volunteers that will serve as judges for these presentations. Pre meeting listing of assignments were emailed to these volunteers to allow review of abstracts prior to arrival at the meeting. Meeting times for committee and judging panels have been scheduled.

Project chairs and chair-elects for the 2011 meeting: Roland Schirman, Chair
Jamshid Ashigh will be rotating to Chair for 2012

Recommendations for Board Action: Recognize awards at Annual Business Meeting.

Budget Needs: Operating Guidelines state the cash amounts shown below:

Award	Number	Cash amount	Total Value
First Place	4	$ 100	$ 400
Second Place	4	$ 75	$ 300
Third Place	3	$ 50	$ 150
		Total Need:	**$ 850**

Suggestions for the Future: Continue contests

Suggested Changes in Operating Guide: The current guideline on bullet point 6b reads:"In each section, first, second, and third places will be awarded $100, $75, and $50, respectively, and a plaque." Apparently the plaque has not been awarded in recent years so this should be deleted.

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