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Meyner Center to Assume CSF Functions

One of Daniel Elazar’s last requests was that John Kincaid assume responsibility for continuing the Center for the Study of Federalism. The Robert B. and Helen S. Meyner Center for the Study of State and Local Government at Lafayette College will, therefore, assume some of CSF’s functions and endeavor to maintain the Center’s identity as a division of the Meyner Center.

Publius: The Journal of Federalism will, of course, continue publication. The journal has functioned independently and has not been financially tied to the Center since Professor Kincaid assumed management responsibilities in 1982. Continuation of The Federalism Report and other functions of the Center for the Study of Federalism will depend on sources of funding that become available. Projects in mid-stream at the Center will be completed at the earliest possible date, and the Meyner Center hopes to maintain CSF’s network of relationships.

It is expected that the Center for the Study of Federalism will be phased out of Temple University by the end of August 2000. Various library materials and archives will be moved to the Meyner Center and the Lafayette College library by that time.
In Memoriam: Daniel J. Elazar, 1934-1999

With great sadness, we announce that Professor Daniel J. Elazar died of lymphoma on December 2, 1999 in Jerusalem; he was sixty-five. Dr. Elazar was a truly extraordinary scholar whose knowledge and expertise transcended traditional academic boundaries. He was recognized as a leading authority on federalism and on the Jewish community worldwide.

Dr. Elazar received his doctorate in political science from the University of Chicago in 1959. He joined the political science department at Temple University in 1964, and founded the Center for the Study of Federalism (CSF) three years later. Over the course of its 33-year history, Dr. Elazar built CSF into the world's preeminent institution examining questions of federalism and intergovernmental relations.

His activities extended far beyond the Temple community, as he founded the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs in Jerusalem, served on the political science faculty at Bar Ilan University, cofounded the International Association of Centers for Federal Studies, and served as a citizen member of the United States Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. Through his writings and activities, he was well known throughout numerous academic disciplines and the American and Israeli Jewish communities.

Professor Elazar was well known for his prolific and topically diverse writing. He authored, coauthored, or edited 81 books, wrote 201 book chapters, and published 147 academic articles over the course of his career. Among his most prominent works were The American Partnership, American Federalism: A View from the States, a trilogy on the Cities of the Prairie, and a four-volume set on the Covenant Tradition in Politics. Dr. Elazar also founded Publicus: The Journal of Federalism, and served as editor for the Jewish Political Studies Review.

Daniel Elazar is remembered by those who knew him as far more than an academic. He was devoted to his family, his friends, and to mentoring and encouraging those around him. His ideas and spirit will live on through the many lives he touched.


The Center for the Study of Federalism, in conjunction with the Center for Jewish Community Studies, sponsored a memorial service for Dr. Elazar at Temple Beth Hillel/Beth El in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, on January 30, 2000. A number of activities are planned to commemorate the life and works of Dr. Elazar:

- A panel entitled “Dimensions of Daniel J. Elazar’s Contributions to Political Science” at the 2000 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC (Friday, September 1, 1:30-3:15 p.m.).
- A memorial reception honoring Dr. Elazar at the annual APSA meeting cosponsored by CSF, APSA Section on Federalism/Intergovernmental Relations, and Publicus (Saturday, September 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Virginia A Room).
- Publication of one or more memorial volumes on Daniel Elazar's works in Publicus: The Journal of Federalism.
- A special issue of The Federalism Report devoted to remembrances of Dr. Elazar.
- A panel and memorial for Dr. Elazar at the 2000 annual meeting of the International Political Science Association in Quebec City, August 1-5.
- A Liberty Fund Colloquium on Elazar's contributions to our understanding of federal liberty.
- A panel honoring Dr. Elazar at the annual meeting of the American Society for Public Administration in Newark, NJ, March 10-17, 2001.

CSF Panel for 2000 APSA Meeting

“Dimensions of Daniel J. Elazar’s Contributions to Political Science”

Date: Friday, September 1 at 1:30 p.m.
Chair: Joseph R. Marbach, Seton Hall University
Papers:

“Covenant and Federalism: Ancient and Modern”
Barbara Allen, Carleton College

“American Federalism and State Constitutionalism”
John Kincaid, Lafayette College

“American Political Culture and Its Subcultures”
Joel A. Lieske, Cleveland State University

“Civil Community on the Metropolitan Frontier”
Stephen L. Schechter, Russell Sage College

“Comparative Federalism and Post-Statism”
Ronald L. Watts, Queen’s University
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Panel for 2000 APSA Meeting


Date: Saturday, September 2 at 8:45 a.m.
Chair: John Kincaid, Lafayette College
Papers:
  Carol S. Weissert, Michigan State University, and Sanford F. Schram, Bryn Mawr College
- "From D.C. to Little Rock: The Varied Courses of Devolution in Welfare Reform"
  Jack Tweedie, National Conference of State Legislatures
- "Federalism and the Safety Net: Delinkage and Enrollments"
  Frank J. Thompson, State University of New York, Albany, and Thomas Gais, Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government
- "The Supreme Court and Federalism: Alden v. Maine and the Enhancement of State Sovereignty"
  Susan Gluck Mezey, Loyola University, Chicago
- "Public Opinion and the Federal System: An ACIR Update"
  Richard L. Cole, University of Texas, Arlington, and John Kincaid, Lafayette College
Discussant: Samuel H. Beer, Harvard University

Publius Editorial Advisory Board Breakfast

Date: 2000 APSA Meeting.
Saturday, September 2, 7:30-8:45 a.m.
Location: Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Congressional Room

CSF Conducts Successful Summer Institute on U.S. Constitution

The Center for the Study of Federalism conducted a six-week Summer Institute on the United States Constitution from June 25-August 7, 1999. Funded by the United States Information Agency (USIA), the institute was designed as an intensive immersion into the American constitutional system for 18 foreign university professors.

The first four weeks were held in Breckenridge, Colorado, and were dedicated to intensive academic study of the development and practice of American constitutionalism. Seminar-style sessions provided for lively debate and discussion that augmented presentations by an institute faculty composed of CSF Fellows Daniel Elazar, Ellis Katz, John Kincaid, Donald Lutz, Stephen Schechter, and Associate Joseph Marbach. Thematically, the academic portion of the summer institute was divided into four historical periods: 1) the origins of American constitutionalism; 2) the framing and ratification of the Constitution and early controversies in the late 18th and early 19th centuries; 3) antebellum and Civil War era constitutional crises; 4) and constitutional controversies in the twentieth century.

The final two weeks of the institute were spent on a study tour that took us to Philadelphia, New York City, Washington, DC, and historic Virginia. The study tour provided participants the opportunity to meet with practitioners on the front lines of current constitutional debates, and also a chance to see cultural sites. Among those with whom the group met during the study tour were:
- Hillary Chelton, NAACP;
- Todd Gaziano, Heritage Foundation;
- Mark Molly, Center for Civic Education;
- The Honorable Sandra Newman, Supreme Court Justice, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;
- Rosalind Remer, National Constitution Center; and
- Steven Shapiro, ACLU.

The summer institute proved to be a success. The congregation of the eighteen participants within this intellectual environment allowed for the construction of a network of scholars learned in the foundations of American constitutionalism, and also well versed in applying the literature and discussions in their classroom and personal research. The web of scholars extends beyond the formal program of the institute. Through planned follow-up activities and informal communications, the participants in the summer institute continue to exchange ideas and information on the United States Constitution.

The United States Department of State (which recently absorbed USIA) has renewed the grant for the summer of 2000. Retitled the “2000 Fulbright American Studies Institute on the United States Constitution,” the program will be held at the Center for the Study of Federalism in Philadelphia from June 23-August 3, 2000.

Elazar Conducts Liberty Fund Symposium on Liberty in the Ancient Near East

From June 19-21, 1999, Daniel Elazar directed a Liberty Fund colloquium entitled “Early Developments of Liberty in the Ancient Near East.” The seminar was conducted in Big Sky, Montana, and included Elazar, Liberty Fund representative William Dennis, and 13 scholars from diverse academic backgrounds. The colloquium focused on the earliest expressions of liberty and their connection to law: the foundational concept of human civilization. Over the course of six sessions, the group examined the first traces of liberty in Ancient Mesopotamia and the subsequent beginning of political liberty in Western Asia with the Israelites in the Land of Israel and the Greeks in Asia Minor.
CSF to Hold Liberty Fund Colloquium on
Women & Minorities in the American West

The Center will conduct a Liberty Fund Colloquium
titled "Freedom and Responsibility in the Works of
Contemporary Authors of the American West," from
September 14-17, 2000, at the Brown Palace in Denver,
Colorado. The conference, planned by Daniel Elazar prior
to his death, will be conducted by CSF Associate Joseph
Hennessy.

Participants will examine six novels about the American
West, each of which focuses on some aspect of the place
and contribution of women and minorities. The novels are:

- The Beet Queen, by Louise Erdrich
- Buffalo Girls, by Larry McMurtry
- Free Land, by Rose Wilder Lane
- The Milagro Beanfield War, by John Nichols
- Old Jules, by Mari Sandoz
- One More River to Cross, by Will Henry

Minnesota Book Nominated for Award

Minnesota Politics and Government, coauthored by
Daniel Elazar, Virginia Gray, and Wyman Spano, has been
nominated for the best history book in the 12th Annual
Minnesota Book Awards. Sponsored by the Minnesota
Center for the Book, the awards recognize outstanding
contributions to the understanding of culture and
community in the North Star State. Minnesota Politics
and Government is the latest volume in the Politics and
Governments of the American States series edited by John
Kincaid and published by the University of Nebraska
Press, the Meyner Center for the Study of State and
Local Government at Lafayette College, and the Center
for the Study of Federalism.

International Visitors to the Center

CSF hosted two visiting scholars during spring 1999.
Titus Okunroumnu was in residence at the Center from
April until July researching fiscal federalism. Mr.
Okunroumnu is the Deputy Director of the Economic
Policy Unit of the Central Bank of Nigeria. He spent his
sabbatical examining four federal states, Canada,
Germany, Switzerland, and the United States, in order
to discern the strengths and weaknesses of their fiscal
federalism and to draw lessons for reform in Nigeria. Mr.
Okunroumnu will publish a research paper in the near
future detailing his findings.

In early June, Nicholas Aroney visited the Center from
the Law School of the University of Queensland, Australia.
He visited CSF to conduct research on a paper exploring
the place of the covenental federalism of Johannes
Althusius in the development of American and Austra-
larian federalism. Dr. Aroney's research uncovered little
evidence of any overt influence of Althusius. Conse-
quently, his paper explores the extent to which early
American theology and political thought was shaped by
covenental ideas commonly shared by the colonists and
Althusius, and the impact that such thought had on the
American Constitution. Dr. Aroney met with Center
Fellows Daniel Elazar, Ellis Katz, and Donald Lutz and
Associate Robert Williams in the course of his studies at
CSF. Versions of his paper were presented to the Political
Thought After Liberalism Conference (Calvin College),
the Law Faculty at Emory University, the University of
Alabama, and the University of Iowa. Dr. Aroney also
joined us in Colorado to participate in a portion of the
summer institute on the U.S. Constitution.

Young Leaders from Kenya

Center Program Director Wesley Leckrone met with
four parliamentary reporters from Kenya who visited the
Center in May to discuss the American federal system and its effects on government institutions and
political parties. The group was in the United States on a
one-month grant sponsored by the United States Infor-
mation Agency to gain a better understanding of
journalism's role in a fully functioning democracy. The
four reporters were:

- Dorothy Jeshet Chepkok, Kenya Times Media Trust;
- Daniel Kiptoo Korir, Kenya Broadcasting Corporation;
- Meshak David Okwembah, East African Standard; and
- Catherine Njeri Rugene, Nation Newspapers.

Local Government Officials from Kyrgyzstan

Center staff also met with a group of local govern-
ment officials from Kyrgyzstan to discuss state and local
government in the United States. The officials from the
former Soviet republic focused especially on the funda-
mentals of service provision in the United States. The
dlegation included:

- Bolotbek Assanakunov, National Consultant,
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- Aali Karashev, Deputy Director, Department of
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  Presidential Administration;
- Temirbek Koshoev, Vice-President, Congress of
  Local Communities of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Abdireim Koubaev, First Vice-Mayor, Bishkek
  City Administration;
- Abdujapar Tagaev, Mayor, Osh City Administration;
  and
- Vladimir Tolokontsev, Mayor, Kara-Balta City
  Administration.
"American Studies"
A Single-Country Project for Russia

CSF hosted a group of Russian academics on October 26. Participants were part of a four-week study tour aimed at increasing the group’s knowledge of American Studies. Wesley Leckrone met with the group to discuss government within the American federal system. The group was primarily composed of members of foreign language departments.
- Lyudmila Baranova, Moscow State University;
- Natalya Chicherina, Arkhangelsk State University
- Olga Golubkova, Udmurt State University;
- Irina Kondrashova, St. Petersburg State Technical University;
- Svetlana Matsevich, Pskov State Pedagogical Institute;
- Valeriy Mikhaylenko, Urals State University;
- Tatiana Polukarova, Penza State Pedagogical University;
- Svetlana Prokhuorova, Moscow City Pedagogical

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Membership
The Institute for Public Economics became the newest member of IACFS at the Tübingen meeting in July 1999. Then Director, Dr. Paul Boothe, represented the institute, which was warmly welcomed into the association. Dr. Boothe has since taken up a new position as Deputy Minister of Finance for the Province of Saskatchewan. The new institute Director is Professor Bev Dahlby.

Information Booklet
IACFS has published a new edition of its information booklet. The booklet contains information about member centers and activities, including publications and conference proceedings. Copies are available from member centers or the Meyner Center for the Study of State and Local Government at Lafayette College.

Website
IACFS now has a presence on the Internet. This has been achieved with the help of Frédéric Lépine at the Centre international de formation européenne. IACFS looks forward to developing the site over the coming years to provide a valuable on-line resource to member centers and to all those interested in federalism. The IACFS information booklet will be kept up-to-date on the website, so remember to check there to confirm current contact details. Please visit the site at: http://www.iacfs.org

Conference 2000
In 2000, the annual meeting of IACFS members and annual conference will be hosted by the Centre international de formation européenne in Nice, France on November 9-12, 2000. The conference will focus on
the theoretical and philosophical aspects of federalism. Watch for more information on the conference program in the next edition of the Newsletter.

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International Association of Centers for Federal Studies
Annual Meeting of Directors, July 6-7, 1999
Center for European Federal Studies,
University of Tübingen, Germany

Minutes of 1999 Meeting
Members Present:
- Anne Mullins, Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies, Melbourne, AUSTRALIA
- Cheryl Saunders*, Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies, Melbourne, AUSTRALIA
- Harvey Lazar, Institute of Intergovernmental Relations, Kingston, CANADA
- Ron Watts, Institute of Intergovernmental Relations, Kingston, CANADA
- Frédéric Lépine*, Centre International de Formation Européenne, Nice, FRANCE
- Rudolf Hrbek, European Centre for Research on Federalism, Tübingen, GERMANY
- Jutta Kramer, German Institute for Federal Studies, Hannover, GERMANY
- Hans-Peter Schneider*, German Institute for Federal Studies, Hannover, GERMANY
- Slava Shealo*, Centre for Combined Federal Studies, Moscow, RUSSIA
- Nico Steytler, Community Law Centre, Bellville, SOUTH AFRICA
- Enric Fossas*, Institut de Ciencies Politiques i Socials, Barcelona, SPAIN
- Anton Greber, Institute for Federalism, Fribourg, SWITZERLAND
- John Kincaid, Robert B. and Helen S. Meyner Center for the Study of State and Local Government, Easton, UNITED STATES
- G. Alan Tarr, Center for the Study of Federalism, Philadelphia, UNITED STATES

* Not in attendance for quorum purposes; joined the meeting subsequently.
The President of the Association, John Kincaid, was in the Chair. Professor Paul Boothe, Director, Institute of Public Economics, Alberta, Canada, attended as an applicant.

Welcome by the President and Introduction of Members and Guests

The Chairman opened the meeting at 4:40 p.m. on July 6, and welcomed the directors and guests, and on behalf of the association, thanked Rudolf Hrbek for hosting the annual meeting and conference. Rudolf Hrbek also welcomed all participants to Tübingen. He set out the themes for the conference, noting that a number of participants were from Central and Eastern Europe. This was an interest of the Foundation sponsoring the conference and also provided an important opportunity to exchange ideas and network with new people who, in turn, may one day be possible members of the Association.

Determination of Quorum

The Association’s rules stipulate a quorum to be one-third of the member institutions or eight members on the current membership of 23/24. The Chairman noted that eight members were represented at this stage of the meeting and so the quorum requirements were satisfied. There were no objections.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

The circulated Agenda was accepted, with one item added at the request of Harvey Lazar (Item 5.7).

Minutes of the 1998 Meeting in Jerusalem

The Chairman noted that the Minutes of the 1998 meeting had been circulated by mail and published in The Federalism Report. The minutes were approved. Moved Ron Watts; seconded Alan Tarr.

Progress Reports on IACFS Projects and Publications

5.1 Publications of Conference Proceedings

Philadelphia 1995: The Chairman reported that there had been some problems with collecting all the papers. A selection of them would be published shortly in Publius.

Hannover 1996: Jutta Kramer presented samples of the newly published volume, copies of which would be made available to members during the conference.

Adelaide 1998: The Chairman circulated a letter from the South Australian Centre for Economic Studies which advised that Cliff Walsh was no longer the Centre’s Director, and that the present Managing Director of the Centre, Dr. Greg Coombes, was unable to attend. The letter advised that Cliff was endeavoring to publish the papers from the Adelaide meeting and hoped to have them ready for the 2000 meeting. The Chairman advised that he had no information as to the state of Cliff’s health. Everyone wished Cliff well.

Jerusalem 1998: Ron Watts reported that Dan Elazar had requested revisions from the authors by mid-August, so publication was expected later in the year.

For the information of the members, Rudolf Hrbek reported that the proceedings of the 1994 IPSA Congress, edited by Robert Agranoff, would be published shortly. He circulated a flier for the book.

5.2 IACFS Bibliography

Harvey Lazar tabled a brief paper, which he then spoke to. He and Ron Watts outlined the background to the project. Members had been invited some years ago to contribute entries, covering the period 1990-1995, to a deliberately selective Bibliography of Federalism. The project had originally been envisaged as resulting in a printed publication, but it was now held exclusively on the Internet and is in a searchable format. It had also recently been vetted by Ron Watts. Once the Bibliography was made available to the public, visitors to the site would be able to offer items for inclusion. The Internet version had been running on a trial basis for some time, accessible only by members, who had been invited to offer feedback on it. Only two members had offered feedback at this stage. New, improved software was ready to be used for the Bibliography.

Four questions concerning the project were put to the members for discussion and decision:

(1) Should the bibliography be maintained?
(2) Should new entries be screened and if so, by whom?
(3) How often should it be updated?
(4) Should access to it be on a fee-paying basis?

There was general discussion about these issues. It was agreed that:

(1) The Bibliography should be maintained. It should run for 12 months, with appropriate promotion and publicity via the websites of members and professional organizations, and through registration with various Internet search engines. It should then be re-assessed. Members were invited to submit new entries for the 1995-2000 period. Electronic publications will not be included for the next 12 months.
but will be included in the future, with the possibility of a special category being established for them. The new software should allow advanced searching options, include searching and cross-referencing by date, author, country, which appeared to be problematic under the current system. Categories and key words should also be revised over the next 12 months, as these had also presented some problems.

(2) Screening should take place. As there was a need to allocate categories and key words to new items, it was important to have a native-speaker consider the item and assess its value to the Bibliography. Therefore, proposed items should be channeled through members for the next 12 months. New items should adhere to the original guidelines to be significant works.

(3) Updates should take place, possibly every six months.

(4) The issue of fees should be deferred and considered at the review in 12 months time.

5.3 Handbook on Fiscal Federalism

The Chairman reported that there had been no update on this initiative of Cliff Walsh's since the Adelaide meeting in March 1998. There was discussion as to whether responsibility for the project had moved. There was general agreement that the project was still worth pursuing, and agreement to the suggestion of Harvey Lazar and Ron Watts that a final approach be made to Cliff, and if he were not in a position to manage the project, then alternative management would be sought.

5.4 Internet Homepage for IACFS

The Chairman advised that this item was being re-listed because it did not appear to have been resolved clearly at the Jerusalem meeting. There appeared to be two options: each member's own home page should have links to the pages of all other members, or IACFS should have its own home page, with links to the members.

Option (2) was agreed to, with the addition of links to the IACFS Bibliography and to information about the annual IACFS conference. The home page should include the text of the booklet. Other material that might be added to the home page in the future includes an outline of the expertise offered by members. There was discussion about the value of federalism chat rooms and discussion lists.

Frédéric Lépine reminded members that the Nice centre had already established a page of links to members' sites (http://www.CIFE.ORG/supp. accueil/iaefs.html). It was revealed that his e-mail advising members of the site had not gotten through to most members. In view of this work and the staff resources available for Website support at the Nice centre, Frédéric offered to: reserve the Internet name “IACFS.org”; establish and manage a basic home page for IACFS which would include the text of the booklet (probably in PDF format) and links to members' home-pages, to the IACFS Bibliography, and to information about conferences and activities.

His offer was accepted with great pleasure.

5.5 New IACFS Booklet

Anne Mullins reported that updates of contact information, descriptions, and Book Corner entries had been requested from members in June, for inclusion in an updated IACFS booklet for publication in August.

There was extensive discussion about the appropriate form of the booklet, and whether access to up-to-date information on the Internet via the IACFS homepage meant that a printed booklet was now redundant. Other options discussed included producing covers which members could then fill as needed by printing the contents off the Internet. There was strong support for a printed booklet, as well as a recognition of the advantages of other options that might ensure the booklet contained up-to-date information.

It was agreed that there be a print run of the booklet to enable the Secretariat to have some in stock, members to receive up to 50 copies each, and 650 copies to be sent to Ron Watts for the Forum of Federations Conference. The cost of covers to make up updated versions of the booklet would be investigated by Anne Mullins. There was general agreement that the text on the cover of the new booklet should be bolder.

5.6 The Impact of Global and Regional Integration on Federal Systems

Harvey Lazar outlined the background to this project, which will look at the challenges to federal systems offered by increasing globalization and regional integration. The project had a specific Canadian focus but also had a comparative component. The plan was to identify researchers in six to eight countries who would use an agreed template to order their research, and then aim to run a conference in 12-15 months time on how different federal systems are responding to these challenges. Researchers from Australia, the United States, Germany, and the European Union had already been identified. Harvey asked members for
their suggestions, and noted that there was an
honourarium available and funds to cover travel costs.
He noted that full funding for the project had been
achieved.

5.7 Other Possible Projects: Virtual Canadian
Institute on Federalism

Harvey Lazar also introduced this project. The
Canadian Government is running a competition to
establish a Virtual Institute on Federalism, to be
funded for two years or more. The purpose of the
institute would be to connect Canadian
researchers on federalism and encourage federalism
studies. The Institute of Intergovernmental
Relations would be entering the competition and had
some confidence of success. Applicants were also
now required to be linked to at least one other inter-
national presence. If the Association had a presence
on the Internet, then it would be an ideal collabor-
ator. This might create new opportunities for the
Association, and might also see funds available for a
more aggressive Internet presence. There was no
need for any decisions by the Association now.
Harvey undertook to circulate members about the
proposal and to keep the President informed.

6. Report on Role of IACFS

The Chairman noted that these items had been
re-listed from the Jerusalem meeting, as resolution
on each item had not been clear.

6.1 Publication of Short Brochure on the
Expertise of IACFS Members

6.2 Visitation System for UN, UNESCO, EU,
World Bank

6.3 Establishment of IACFS Outreach Committee

There was general discussion about these three items,
which all had the themes of IACFS outreach and joint
activities. Ideas about sources of potential funding
for joint projects, and methods of developing rela-
tionships with various international organizations
were shared, and just what was the Association’s
product were discussed. There was support for the
Association developing its own identity to undertake
projects, and work with, but not in competition with,
individual members, and vice versa: for members to
take a lead, and then bring the IACFS along in a
project. Lessons from other consortium experiences
would need to be learned, however. An Outreach
Committee was then established, with the following
members: John Kincaid, Harvey Lazar, Nico Steytler,
and Rudolf Hrbek. The meeting agreed that
members could be added to the Committee as
needed.

6.4 Comparative Federalism Book Series

The Chairman outlined this proposal, which was to
develop a series of edited publications for an aca-
demic and teaching audience and published by a
commercial/academic publisher, as there was
currently no useful volume effectively comparing
various federal systems. The series might begin with
volume on the major federations by different authors,
using a template to ensure effective comparisons. It
might continue with the proposed Fiscal Federalism
Handbook, and one on emerging federations. There
was support for the proposal and suggestions as to
the appropriate format, with a loose-leaf format
suggested. The Outreach Committee undertook to
consider the proposal.

Regional and Federal Studies

Rudolf Hrbek reported to the meeting that the
Consortium had not been active. The envisaged
interest in the Consortium by the European Union
had not eventuated, nor had the member centres,
for differing reasons, put forward serious projects.
He concluded that there was a general lack of
energy for the Consortium. EU rules had also
changed in terms of resources required to be
demonstrated by groups bidding for EU work or
funds. He outlined another project that the Tübingen
centre and the Brussels centre had been involved
with through the EU, involving Asia. Jutta Kramer
noted that no meeting of the Consortium had taken
place in the past three years, and that it was, in
effect, dead. The Hannover centre and Consortium
members in Austria and elsewhere had agreed to
wind it up.

8. Report on International Conference on
Federalism, Canada, October 5-8, 1999

Ron Watts reported that an international conference
on federalism was being organized by the Forum of
Federations, a new Canadian Government initiative.
The purpose of the Forum is to improve communica-
tion between practitioners of federalism, including
politicians, civil servants, and academics. One of its
first activities has been to organize this conference
to be held in October 1999, funded by the Canadian
Government, and overseen by an International Advi-
sory Committee. The Association as already played
a role in the conference through the involvement of
members as Session Coordinators and as authors of
background papers. These papers may be published.
A pamphlet about the Forum of Federations and a
draft conference program were distributed. Ron
Watts stressed that the Forum did not want to
supplant or compete with IACFS, but wanted to work
with existing organizations and to act as a mutual resource. There would be an opportunity for the Association to have a display at the Conference, and copies of the new booklet would be given to each delegate. Invitations to the conference will be issued to all IACFS members. This was seen as a useful way to improve IACFS’ international outreach.


The Chairman reported that Publius was initiating a biannual series of editions called the "Global Review of Federalism." He invited contributions and input from members to the first issue, which would be a comparative country review.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. It resumed at 9:15 a.m. on 7 July.

10. Future Annual IACFS Conferences

10.1 2000: Nice, France

Frédéric Lépine confirmed his Centre’s commitment to hosting the 2000 conference. The proposed theme had been suggested by Dan Elazar at the Jerusalem meeting: an examination of the theoretical and philosophical aspects of federalism, rather than its institutional aspects. This was warmly approved by the meeting, which agreed that the theme would offer a very interesting range of topics, including examinations of the main thinkers of federalism, the different constructions of federalism, and the specific national theoretical traditions of federalism and their influences, and would allow comparisons between federal systems in common and civil law countries. Frédéric added that in order to ensure that the program was attractive to funding bodies, there should be some focus on the European Union. The dates approved for the meeting and conference were Thursday, 1 June, to Saturday, 3 June. These would need to be confirmed in light of the high demand for hotel rooms in Nice in June, but should be possible by the end of August. Frederic undertook to keep members informed. The final dates for the 2000 meeting are November 9-12, 2000.

10.2 2001: New Delhi, India

The Chairman advised that there was no new information about the offer made by the New Delhi centre in 1998. There had been a change of Director at the Centre in New Delhi since then. Further information about the proposal would be sought. It was noted that 2001 was the 50th anniversary of the Indian Constitution.

10.3 2002: Proposals?

There were no current proposals before the meeting. Suggestions included Austria, and countries where there was no centre but where there may be interest in hosting the meeting and conference, such as Hong Kong. The Chairman noted that several options were needed for both 2001 and 2002, in case the Indian proposal did not eventuate.

11. IACFS Financial Report

Anne Mullins reported that the balance of the IACFS account was unchanged since the last report, as funds had not yet been transferred to the Melbourne centre from the Fribourg centre. This transfer was now in hand. Invoices for 1999 had been sent to members in June. There was discussion about the best time for issuing invoices in light of the differing financial years operating in the various members. It was agreed that there would be two rounds of invoices for 2000, one in February and one in July, which would allow members to pay at the time which best suited them.

12. Review of Current IACFS Membership

12.1 Center for Constitutional Analysis, Pretoria

The Chairman advised that correspondence had been received which confirmed that the Centre for Constitutional Analysis had been wound up. He informed the meeting that the former Director of the Centre, Bertus de Villiers, had emigrated to Australia.

12.2 U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

The Chairman advised that the status of the Commission remained unclear. Its membership had been in issue at the Adelaide meeting in 1998, and was contingent upon payment of four years of back fees. It was unclear whether these had been paid. Further information would be sought.

Applications for IACFS Membership

13.1 Deferred from 1998

Institute for Public Economics, Alberta Canada
Director: Professor Paul Boothe

Paul Boothe thanked Rudolf Hrbek for hosting the meeting and gave the background to the institute. It is housed in the Economics Department at the University of Alberta at Edmonton, and had emerged in 1997 out of the Western Centre for Economic Research, in order to develop a focus on public economics, especially on public economics and federalism. The institute was described as having grown strongly since 1998, doubling its budget. It had undertaken a major research project with the Institute for Intergovernmental Relations in Kingston, published books, and run conferences. Members of the institute are all full-time Faculty members with
teaching responsibilities. The budget did not cover salaries, but was used to fund visits of speakers, the institute’s Web page, etc. A small grant was provided by the university, and some money earned from conferences and publications, but it was essentially a cooperative venture with staff contributing 10% of their research grants towards running costs. Membership of IACFS would benefit the institute particularly by allowing for collaboration with other disciplines and other countries.

Paul Boote left the room while the application was discussed. Those who were familiar with the work of the institute spoke very highly of it, and it was felt that the involvement of an economics centre would be very good for IACFS. The motion to accept the application was unanimously accepted. Moved Harvey Lazar; seconded Cheryl Saunders.

Centre for European Studies, Hull, United Kingdom
Director: Dr Michael Burgess

Istituto di Studi sulle Regioni CNR
Director: Professor Giorgio Lombardi

IBAM, Rio di Janeiro, Brazil
Director: Dr Carlos Alberti diOliveira

The Chairman reported that he and Ron Watts had contacted these three centres which had expressed interest in joining the Association, but had not received a response. They could not be dealt with at this meeting as they did not have active applications, nor were they in attendance. They will be followed up for the 2000 meeting.

13.2 New Applications

Center for State Constitutional Studies, Rutgers-
the State University, Camden, New Jersey, U.S.
Director: Dr. G. Alan Tarr

Alan Tarr advised that his centre would be making an application to join IACFS in 2000. Information about the Centre was circulated and more would be provided in due course.

13.3 Associate IACFS Membership Status for IPSA Research Committee on Comparative Federalism and Federations

The Chairman explained that this matter had arisen at the Jerusalem meeting, and did not appear to have been formally resolved. Ron Watts explained that the matter had come onto the agenda in Jerusalem via a suggestion made by Lloyd Brown-John to Dan Elazar in correspondence. He understood that there had been a negative response to the suggestion in Jerusalem, because it created a new category of membership. Lack of such a status did not prevent the current existing cooperative relationship between the two organizations. Jutta Kramer advised that she had spoken with Lloyd since the Jerusalem meeting and that he had advised that he did not want to pursue the matter. Cheryl Saunders said that in her view establishing a new category of membership would not be useful to the Association, particularly in light of the growing membership.

14. Other Business Proposed by Members

There was no other business.

Brief Reports by Each Centre on its Work and Major Developments in Its Country

Each member reported on current work and recent developments. Three matters were of special note: Enric Fossas advised that he would be leaving the Institut de Ciencies Polítiques i Socials in October this year, as he had been appointed a legal advisor to the Spanish Supreme Court in Madrid; Hans-Peter Schneider advised that as of 1 January 2000, the Hannover Institute would become an Institute of the Legal Department at the University of Hannover; Ron Watts reminded members that each member has an obligation to distribute its publications to fellow members. The Chairman thanked Rudolf Hrbek and members, and closed the meeting at 11:10 a.m.
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Successful Panels at the 1999 Meeting, Looking Ahead to the 2000 APSA Meeting

The Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section of the American Political Science Association sponsored 13 panels at the 1999 APSA meeting. The average attendance at these sessions was 20. The range was from 11 to 32.

John Kincaid of the Meyner Center at Lafayette College is putting together the 2000 Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations panels. The 2000 meeting will be held in Washington D.C., August 31-September 3.

A key feature of the 2000 meeting will be a special workshop session sponsored by the section on Wednesday, August 30, beginning at noon.

Paul Posner, U.S. General Accounting Office, and Beryl Radin, SUNY at Albany, are co-chairing the session that will feature panels on the Efficacy of the Public Interest Groups in Washington and on Federalism Trends in the U.S Supreme Court. It promises to be an exciting and worthwhile event for those in the Section and others in the discipline.

Panels for 2000 APSA Meeting

28-1: “Critical Perspectives on the Political Safeguards of Federalism”

Date:  Friday, September 1, 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Chair: Stephen G. Bragaw, Sweet Briar College
Papers:
“The Political Safeguards of Federalism in the Modern Congress”
Troy Smith, Brigham Young University

“State Implementation of Federal Law as a Political Safeguard of Federalism”
John D. Nugent, University of Richmond

“An Exchange Theory of Public Interests: Explaining Variation in Federal-State Relations Offices”
Jennifer Jensen, Bucknell University

“Political Safeguards and the ‘Other’ Subnationals: Native American Tribal Governments versus the Intergovernmental Lobby in the U.S. Supreme Court”
Stephen G. Bragaw, Sweet Briar College

Discussants: John Dinan, Wake Forest University and David B. Walker, University of Connecticut

28-2: “Intergovernmental Waivers, Mandates, and Bargaining in the U.S.”

Date:  Thursday, August 31, 1:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m.
Chair: David R. Beam, Illinois Institute of Technology
Papers:
“Innovations in Cost Controls: Explaining States’ Decision to Use Medicaid Program Waivers”
Ethan M. Bernick, Florida State University

“HCFA and State Medicaid Agencies: Intergovernmental Bargaining After Devolution”
William T. Gormley, Georgetown University and Cristina Boccuti, Georgetown University

“Small Bark But No Bite: The Politics of Implementing State-Mandated Local Government Ethics Ordinances”
Penny M. Miller, Richard Fording, and Dana Patton, University of Kentucky
28-3: "Judicial Federalism: Devolution, Revolution, or Evolution?"

Date: Thursday, August 31, 3:30 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
Chair: Arthur G. Svenson, University of Redlands
Papers:
"Courting Devolution: The U.S. Supreme Court and Contemporary Federalism"
Timothy Conlan, George Mason University
"Splitting the Atom of Sovereignty: Justice Kennedy's Constitutional Federalism"
Frank Colucci, University of Notre Dame
"Judicial Review and Federalism: How Lopez and Printz Brought Constitutional Deliberation to Congress"
J. Mitchell Pickerill, Washington State University
"A Comparison of American and Australian Federalism Jurisprudence"
Jeffrey Langan, University of Notre Dame
Discussants: Richard A. Brisbin, West Virginia University and Karen O’Connor, American University

28-4: "Devolution Issues in American Federalism"

Date: Sunday, September 3, 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Chair: Carol S. Weissert, Michigan State University
Papers:
"Public Attitudes Toward the Policy Responsibilities of the National and State Governments"
Saundra K. Schneider and William Jacoby, University of South Carolina
"Evolutionary Devolution in Water Pollution Control: Consequences for Intergovernmental Management"
Robert D. Thomas, University of Houston
"The Dilemmas of Devolution: State-Local Brownfield Politics in New Jersey"
Sarah Gardner, City University of New York and Williams College
"Devolution or States' Rights for the 21st Century: Competing Models of Intergovernmental Relations"
Marshall DeRosa, Florida Atlantic University
Discussants: Robert Agranoff, Indiana University and David R. Berman, Arizona State University

28-5: "Current and Enduring Intergovernmental Issues in American Federalism"

Date: Saturday, September 2, 8:45 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Chair: Michael A. Pagano, Miami University
Papers:
"Federal Aid and Collective Action"
Kenneth Bickers, Indiana University and Robert M. Stein, Rice University
"Intergovernmental Distributive Politics and Transportation Spending"
Thomas Carsey and Barry S. Rundquist, University of Illinois at Chicago
"Subnational Lobbying and the Passage of TEA-21"
Joseph R. Marbach, Seton Hall University and J. Wesley Leckrone, Temple University
"Presidential Power: The Intergovernmental Connection"
Richard Flanagan, College of Staten Island, CUNY
Discussants: Darby Morrisroe, University of Virginia and Joseph F. Zimmerman, State University of New York at Albany

28-6: "State-Local Relations in the Intergovernmental Mix"

Date: Saturday, September 2, 1:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m.
Chair: Nelson Wikstrom, Virginia Commonwealth University
Papers:
"Delegation, Accountability, and the Politics of Federal Change"
H. W. Jerome Maddox, University of Pennsylvania
"State-Local Adaptations to Fiscal Limits and Growth: Two Decades of Experience in California"
John Kirlin, Indiana University
Jered Carr, College of Charleston
"Municipal Power and Choice: An Examination of Frug's Thesis"
Dale A. Krane, University of Nebraska at Omaha and Platon Rigos, University of South Florida
Discussants: Juliet Gainsborough, University of Miami and Annette Steinacker, Claremont Graduate University

Date: Friday, September 1, 3:30 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
Co-sponsored by “The Politics of Communist and Post-Communist Countries”
Chair: Kellee Tsai, Emory University
Papers:
“Reevaluating Fiscal Federalism in the People’s Republic of China: The Role of Banks in Shaping Central-Local Relations”
Kaja Sehrt, Dartmouth College
“Informal Finance and the Battle of Extra-Budgetary Funds in China”
Kellee Tsai, Emory University
“Reforming Intergovernmental Transfer Systems in Russia and Ukraine”
Lucan Way, University of California, Berkeley
“The Rulebook versus the Pocketbook: Federation-Building in Russia”
Elizabeth Pascal, University of Michigan
Discussants: Jenna Bednar, University of Michigan and Steven Solnick, Columbia University

PIGS and Court Are Subject of Section’s 2000 Workshop

Mark your calendars to attend the Section’s August 30 workshop, just prior to the start of the APSA meeting in Washington. The session will begin at noon with an assessment of the political efficacy of Public Interest Groups in Washington. The session will consider such questions as: How are the National Governors’ Association, National Conference of State Legislatures, National League of Cities and the four other groups comprising what is known as the Big 7 PIGs faring in the federal public policy arena? What are the prospects for their future influence? What factors have affected their current standing and what are likely to affect future influence? Presentations will feature PIG spokesmen, congressional staff, and other close observers.

Lunch will feature a speaker on a timely topic. The speaker will be named closer to the session to assure the timeliness of the subject.

The workshop will also assess trends in the U.S. Supreme Court regarding federalism and will feature court observers and analysts discussing the most recent court cases and those expected to follow. Of primary concern will be larger trends and patterns that will likely affect the operation of federalism for years to come.

Section Committee Chairs Named

Chairs for key Section panels selecting 2000 awards for distinguished scholar, best paper at the 1999 meeting, and the best book on federalism published in the previous decade have been named. Also named was the chair of the nominations committee for the 2000-2001 leadership of the section.

Ann Bowman of the University of South Carolina will head the committee selecting the Section’s Distinguished Scholar award. She may be reached at bowmanam@sc.edu.

Bruce Wallin of Northeastern University will chair the committee selecting the best book on federalism published more than 10 years ago. He may be reached at bwallin@neu.edu.

Troy Smith of Brigham Young University will head the committee selecting the best paper presented at the 1999 panels on federalism and intergovernmental relations. Troy was the recipient of the 1999 best paper award. He may be reached at tes26@email.byu.edu.

Please contact the chairs with nominations. The deadline for nominations is May 1, 2000.

Tim Conlan has agreed to chair the nominations committee. In addition to preparing a slate of three new council members, Tim’s committee will nominate a new chair of the section to serve from 2000 to 2001. Tim may be reached at tconlan@wpgate.gmu.edu.

28-8: “Theoretical and Comparative Perspectives on Market-Preserving Federalism”

Date: Thursday, August 31, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Co-sponsored by “Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations”
Chair: Jonathan Rodden, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Papers:
“The Political Determinants of Foreign Direct Investment”
Fiona McGilivray and Nathan Jensen, Yale University
“Federalism and Leviathan”
Jonathan Rodden, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
“India and the Theory of Market-Preserving Federalism”
Aseema Sinha, University of Wisconsin-Madison
“Globalization and Market-Preserving Federalism: Evidence from India and China”
Lawrence Saez, University of California, Berkeley
Discussant: Susan Rose-Ackerman, Yale Law School
Joseph Zimmerman, Vincent Ostrom, and Troy Smith Honored by Section at 1999 Meeting

The Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section's three top awards for 1999 went to Joseph Zimmerman, University of Albany, SUNY, Vincent Ostrom, Indiana University, and Troy Smith, Brigham Young University.

Zimmerman was named the Federalism Distinguished Scholar for 1999. He has had a distinguished career in which he has produced dozens of books and articles on federal preemption of state and local government authority, direct democracy and recall, and state-local relations.


New State Politics and Policy Journal Launched

A new state politics and policy journal has been launched and is set for publication of its first issue in March 2001. Entitled, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, the journal is the official journal of the State Politics and Policy section of APSA and will be published out of the Illinois Legislative Studies Center at the University of Illinois, Springfield. Christopher Z. Mooney is the editor.

The journal hopes to stimulate research in state politics and policy and to provide an institutional structure for a progressive and coherent research agenda.

In addition to refereed articles, the journal will feature field essays on state politics research, essays on methodological issues, descriptions of large data development projects, and summaries of state politics research published elsewhere.

Further information may be obtained from Christopher Mooney, who may be reached at mooney@uis.edu or 217-206-6574.

Minutes:
The 1999 Annual Membership Meeting

(1) The Section met for its 1999 annual membership meeting on Thursday, September 2 at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel in Atlanta. Carol Weissert (Michigan State University), Chair of the organized section on Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations, presided. The minutes of the 1998 meeting were distributed and approved.

(2) The treasurer's report was presented by Michael Pagano (Miami University). Revenues for 1998-99 were $769.01, expenses were $865.01, and the ending balance as of 30 June 1999 was $2,291.27. The financial report was accepted.

(3) Tim Conlan (George Mason University), program chair for the Federalism panels in 1999, reported that 140 proposals were received for 36 slots. Through co-sponsorship and creation of "theme panels," the number of Federalism panels increased to 13 this year. Weissert reminded the section that the deadline for submission of proposals for the 2000 APSA is November 15, 1999, and that only electronic submissions will be accepted. She also announced that the program chair for the Federalism panels next year is John Kincaid (Lafayette College).

(4) APSA has finally agreed to re-word the Anderson Award so that it now places "federalism" in its rightful place: award for the best dissertation in the area of "federalism and intergovernmental relations, and state and local politics." This year, Deil Wright (North Carolina) and Sarah Liebshutz were on the Anderson committee. Wright reported that 15 dissertations were nominated, eight of which were clearly in the area of federalism/IGR. The committee decided to make awards to Greg Shaw, Columbia University, and David Buchholz from Duke. Shaw's dissertation was entitled "Public Opinion and Welfare in the United States." Buchholz's dissertation was "Competition and Corporate Incentives: Dilemmas in Economic Development." Next year, Federalism section members David Walker and Ann Bowman will sit on the Anderson committee.

(5) Weissert announced that the section will sponsor a short course at the 2000 meetings in Washington, DC. Paul Posner (GAO) and Beryl Radin (SUNY-Albany) have agreed to co-chair the short course with technical assistance from Conlan, who chaired the previous short course. Possible themes from the section membership were proffered, including regulatory federalism, judicial federalism, e-commerce and taxation, and the federalism philosophies of the presidential candidates.

Questions were raised about the fee the section should charge for the short course. Weissert proposed that a committee be created to decide the fee.

(6) Weissert raised "marketing" issues as a means of attracting more members, especially young professionals. The number of dues-paying section members has remained fairly stable over the past five years. Wright thought that we need to better share information of the section's activities, and raised the question of mailing a separate newsletter or creating a website. Joe Zimmerman (SUNY at Albany) thought a newsletter was a better direction. Dale Krane (Nebraska-Omaha) suggested that APSA might help with a website link. Weissert noted that the Public Administration section's website was quite good and that it also sent a newsletter.

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direction. Dale Krane (Nebraska-Omaha) suggested that APSA might help with a website link. Weissert noted that the Public Administration section's website was quite good and that it also sent a newsletter.

As a means of increasing the section's visibility, Nelson Wikstrom proposed a second meeting of the federalism section during the year. Conlan thought the Midwest Political Science meetings might be a good mid-point in the year.

Posner suggested that some joint work with the Section on Intergovernmental Administration and Management of the American Society for Public Administration might be worthwhile. Robert Thomas (Houston) said that over ten years ago, the Federalism section and SIAM proposed to work together, but nothing came of the effort.

Weissert proposed that a committee be formed to consider the website option and to consider consultation with SIAM. The website might include book reviews, links to Publius, regional meetings, papers, etc. The proposal was approved by the section.

(7) The committee for the "best paper" award for a paper presented at the 1998 annual meeting was chaired by Jocelyn Johnston (Kansas); other members were Michael Rich (Emory University) and Richard Elling (Wayne State). Rich presented the award to Troy Smith (BYU) for his paper, "When States Lobby."

The committee for the "best book" award for a book with lasting value published more than 10 years ago was chaired by Ken Palmer (Maine); other members were Kincaid and Smith. The recipient this year was Vincent Ostrom (Indiana) for his book, Political Theory of the Compound Republic, originally published in 1971 and enlarged in the 1987 edition (University of Nebraska Press).

The committee for the "distinguished scholar" award was chaired by Wikstrom; other members were David Beam and Mark Rom (Georgetown University). The recipient of the 1999 award was Joseph Zimmerman. Carl Stenberg's nomination of Zimmerman stated that the breadth of Zimmerman's work is apparent in his scholarship that covers "ethics to town meetings to participatory democracy, home rule, interstate compacts" all of which have deepened our understanding of federalism and intergovernmental relations.

(8) Weissert thanked the three members of the executive council whose three-year terms expired for their service and dedication, Susan Hansen (Pittsburgh), Marian Palley (Delaware), and Al Sokolow (UC-Davis). The nominating committee, chaired by Paul Posner, with other members (Bob Agranoff and Palley), presented a slate of candidates. For secretary-treasurer, the committee nominated for a second term, Michael Pagano; for a three-year term on executive council, the committee nominated Richard Elling (Wayne State); Beryl Radin (SUNY-Albany) and Bruce Wallin (Northeastern University). All nominations were approved by acclamation.

Weissert announced that there was to have been a joint reception with several APSA sections, but it was not printed in the official program. Nevertheless, Weissert announced that the Center for the Study of Federalism is sponsoring a reception to honor Dan Elazar and Vincent Ostrom this evening, and urged everyone to attend.

Wallin urged members to attend the Western Political Science meetings, and Agranoff reminded the members that the IPSA World Congress will be held in Quebec City, August 1-5, 2000 (contact him for more information).

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Pagano
Secretary-Treasurer