Congressional Fellowship Program Advisory Board Meets

The APSA Congressional Fellowship Program's Advisory Committee held its 49th annual dinner meeting at the APSA office in Washington, DC on September 12, 2002.

CFP Advisory Committee members attending included: Richard Cohen of *The National Journal*, Charles Cook of *The Cook Political Report*, Joan Claybrook of Public Citizen, Ronald Elving of *National Public Radio*, Eugene Eidenberg of Granite Ventures, Vic Fazio of Clark & Weinstock, William Frenzel of The Brookings Institution, Lee Hamilton of The Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars, Gary Hymel of Hill & Knowlton, Richard Lugar of the U.S. Senate, Robert Merry of *Congressional Quarterly*, Norman Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute, Leonard Parkinson of Atlantic Research Corporation, David Price of the U.S. House of Representatives, Catherine Rudder of George Mason University, and Federal Trade Commission Chair Emeritus Janet Steiger.



Members of the Congressional Fellowship Program advisory board meet in the APSA conference room.

Guests of the CFP Advisory Committee included Frederick Holborn of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, who was honored as he retired after more than three decades of directing the fellowship's "Foreign Affairs Seminar," and 2001-2002 Congressional Fellows Melica Johnson, Servando Ortoll, Barbara Teraji, Deborah Wolf, and Robert Minehart. APSA staff was represented by Executive Director Michael Brintnall, CFP Director Jeffrey Biggs, and CFP Program Assistant Sarah Dougherty.

The committee earnestly discussed the fellowship's recruitment of journalists and Executive Branch domestic policy specialists. Committee members raised the possibility of a multi-month parliamentary exchange with the European Parliament, as well as outside corporate funding for the Canadian Parliamentary Exchange. The increased participation of international fellows was also considered.

A discussion of how to best commemorate the fellowship's 50th anniversary at the 2003 APSA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia was an important part of the evening. As part of the 50th anniversary celebration, the Advisory Commission heartily endorsed an expanded and updated alumni directory as a key to reinforcing the more than 1,900 Congressional Fellowship alumni network. The previous directory predates the widespread use of electronic mail and provides the program with very limited means of maintaining contact with former Fellows.

It is hoped that the new Alumni Directory will provide former Fellows with enough information to track their former colleagues. **To help in this endeavor, the Congressional Fellowship Program staff urges any former Fellows to provide current contact information via the APSA web site <www.apsanet.org/about/cfp/update.cfm>.** Specifically, we hope alumni will provide their name, their fellowship year, their current or last-held professional position and affiliation, their work address, their work phone number, their email address, and their home address. Alumni are encouraged to indicate whether they prefer to be reached at home or at work.

Finally, cognizant that we live in a world of undue invasions of privacy, the fellowship staff asks for help in tracking "lost" Fellows by sending us an email <cfp@apsanet.org>. To aid our effort please pass the web site address on to colleagues, particularly those who might not read *PS*.

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