**2018 North American Systemic Functional Linguistics Association Meeting Minutes**  
Organizer: Ruth Harman, University of Georgia   
*Sun, March 25, 12:30 to 1:45pm: Sheraton Grand Chicago IL, Mayfair Room*

1. 12:30-12:35 pm: Welcome and introduction  
The president welcomed attendees, and introduced the agenda for the meeting and breakout sessions after the business meeting.

2. 12:35-12:45 pm: Newsletter and Facebook  
The present introduced the new editors— Tairan Qiu, Andrés Ramírez, Marianna Ryshina-Pankova.  
The new editors announced that the newsletter will be published twice per year.

The whole group brainstormed ways to fundraise for the publishing newsletter, and the president proposed a web-based donation method. Meg Gebhard seconded and all favored.   
  
Introduced the Facebook Master, Michael Maune.

3. 12:45-12: 50, GRADNASFLA   
Khan shared his experience managing the first GRADSFLA symposium.

The whole group discussed how to continue holding GRADSFLA symposiums after the next Georgetown University symposium.

4. 12:50-1:00, ISFLC at Boston College  
Maria Brisk reported on the presentations and other events at ISFLC, as well as the logistics: 290 proposals submitted; 184 paper sessions; 90 posters; 12 Invited Colloquiums; 5 plenary speakers; 6 pre-congress institute sessions.

Teacher research day: run by Meg Gebhard on Wednesday; Fee: $80

Housing option: BC dorm rooms  
Hard copies of the program will not be provided; it will be a web-based conference.

5. 1: 00-1:05 pm: Social at AAAL 2018 and NASFL Officers  
The president introduced a social gathering at AAAL—12:30 Monday at Bistro, organized by Michael Maune  
  
The members elected new officers for 2018-2020

President: Marianna Ryshina-Pankova   
Vice President: Andrés Ramírez  
Secretary: Dong-shin Shin  
News letter editor

6. 1:05-1:10 pm: Promising Emergent SFL Scholar Award  
The president introduced the recipient of the Promising Scholar Award for 2018: Amber Simons. Ryan Miller, the 2017 recipient, presented the award to another person accepting it on behalf of Amber Simmons.

7. 1:10-1:30 pm: SFL Book Presentation  
The president introduced her edited SFL volume to the attendees, and contributing authors’ chapters.

\*Harman, R. (Ed.). (2017). *Bilingual learners and social equity: Critical approaches to systemic functional linguistics*. New York, NY: Springer.

She showed the growing popularity of SFL scholars in the States with a map of the locations of SFL scholars.

8. 1:30-1:45 pm: Breakout sessions based on interest groups

The attendees were grouped into five interest groups and shared their research projects:

* Elementary education
* Secondary education
* Higher education
* Teacher professional development
* Multimodality