The FPA section held its annual business meeting in Toronto on March 28, 2014. Elections produced a new leadership group for 2014-15, which included Deborah Larson (President), Klaus Brummer (VP and Program Chair for New Orleans), Officers at Large Dursun Peksen, Christian Cantir, Amanda Murdie, and Past President Steve Saideman.

The FPA section sponsored or co-sponsored 84 panels and roundtables and one poster session to be held in conjunction with the reception, due to the efforts of Deborah Larson as VP and Program Chair. David Lektzian organized two Innovative Panels on “Advancing FPA: Learning from the Global South” and “Economic Statecraft in an Era of Globalization.” Officer-at-large Klaus Brummer chaired the Alexander George Graduate Student Paper Award competition, which chose as the 2014 winner Jacquelyn Schneider for her paper on “Presidential Decisions for War—Is Intelligence to Blame? Case Studies of Lyndon B. Johnson and George W. Bush.” Professor Rose McDermott was honored as Distinguished Scholar at a special roundtable. Professor McDermott was also honored at our annual reception, which was co-sponsored by Scientific Study of International Processes Section (SSIP) and the Political Demography and Geography Section (PDG). The reception was funded by donations from several partner groups and publishers, as well as by the sections. The reception was quite successful, and we hope to work with SSIP and PDG again in the future.

For the 2015 meeting, Klaus Brummer has organized as a sponsor or co-sponsor 84 panels and one poster session. Christian Cantir put together a Working Group on Foreign Policy Analysis and the Diplomacy of Sub-State Actors, to begin on February 17. We will also have an Innovative Panel on Foreign Military Interventions as Tools of Foreign Policy organized by Dursun Peksen. Valerie Hudson will be honored as Distinguished Scholar at a roundtable and reception. Amanda Murdie chaired the Alexander George Graduate Student Paper Award competition, which selected as the 2015 winner Benjamin Martill (University College, Oxford) for his paper “Of Power and Partisans: Challenging the 'Postwar Consensus' in British Foreign Policy.” We will also hold elections at our annual business meeting, where Klaus Brummer will take over as Section President through the 2016 convention in Atlanta.

The FPA section currently has 893 members, up from 859 the previous year, and still the second largest section. Our financial account has a balance of around $18,791 of which the section will contribute $1250 to the annual reception.