

**Canadian Association of Foundations of Education (CAFE)**  
**Association canadienne pour l'étude des fondements de l'éducation**  
**Minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting**  
**Saturday, May 31, 2008, 11:30 a.m.– 1:00 p.m.**  
**Room 1128, Faculty of Education, UBC**

Present:

Executive: David Mandzuk- President (Manitoba), Rod Clifton-Past President (Manitoba), Lynn Lemisko-2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Saskatchewan)

Members: David Smith (Alberta), John Allison (Nipissing), Brian Campbell (UOIT), Sharon Cook (Ottawa), Don Cochrane (Saskatchewan), Daniel Vokey (UBC), Fred Ellett (Western), Paul O'Leary (Western), Claudia Ruitenberg (UBC), Sandra Bruneau (Association of BC Deans of Education), David Waddington (Concordia), Kurt Clausen (Nipissing), Kari Dehli (OISE), John Lundy (Laurentian), Lynn Lemisko (Saskatchewan), Michael O'Sullivan (Brock), Jennifer Kelly (Alberta), Helen Raptis (Victoria), Doug Stewart (Regina)

1. Call to order (D. Mandzuk, President, CAFE)
2. Welcome and introduction of members (D. Mandzuk)
3. Approval of the agenda (L. Lemisko/S. Cook) **CARRIED**
4. Approval of the minutes from the 2007 AGM (M. O'Sullivan/D. Vokey) **CARRIED**
5. New Business
  - a. D. Mandzuk thanked C. Ruitenberg, D. Stewart, and A. Chinnery for helping to write a letter to ACDE promoting the foundations as an important component in Canadian teacher education.
  - b. D. Mandzuk reported that the majority of members who voted electronically in the fall of 2007 voted in favour of the Ad Hoc Awards Committee's recommendation that the terms of reference for the CAFE Publications Award be changed so that: 1) only CSSE/CAFE members in good standing would be able to submit their publications for consideration by the Review Committee; 2) the submitted publications would have been published during the appropriate time period as outlined in the terms of reference; and 3) the Publications Award would rotate, by year, in the following order: scholarly articles in the 1<sup>st</sup> year, authored monographs in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, and edited collections in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. For the 2008-09 year, edited collections published in the past two years will be considered by the Review Committee.
  - c. A number of suggestions were made from the floor to continue to increase the visibility of the foundation disciplines. One idea was to have a session on the foundations at the CSSE conference next year. A motion was made for the CAFE executive to negotiate with CATE (and perhaps ACDE) to organize a joint session on the importance of the foundations disciplines in teacher education (L. Lemisko/ J. Lundy). **CARRIED**

- d. A discussion about how to better support graduate students in the foundations then ensued. A motion was then made to have a graduate student work with the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Programme) on planning for next year to ensure that graduate students become more involved at next year's conference. Potential topics might include: 1) the academic job search, 2) mentoring, and 3) receiving formative feedback on papers (J. Lundy/M. O'Sullivan). **CARRIED**
  - e. The discussion on how to better promote the foundations disciplines continued. A motion was then made that CAFE sponsor a joint round-table with CPES and CHEA on teaching and research in the foundations across Canada (D. Cochrane/D. Stewart) **CARRIED**
6. Reports
- a. D. Mandzuk presented a short President's report reviewing his activities for the year (mentioned above).
  - b. L. Lemisko, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, reported that 56 papers had been accepted and organized into 14 sessions, which was about 1/3 more papers in the same number of sessions than the year before.
  - c. D. Mandzuk reported for the Secretary-Treasurer, N. Piquemal, who was unable to attend, that the bank balance is \$1,341.62. More details were provided in the written report, which is appended.
  - d. S. Van Nuland provided a written report on the New Scholars' Fund committee.
  - e. S. Cook reported on the CJE Board. There has been an increase in the number of articles submitted to the CJE, but there are still a number of articles waiting to be published. A number of special issues will be published over the next year. A different format for the journal is being considered.
  - f. Constituent Groups
    - 1. W. Okshevsky, President of CPES was not present but his written report was received.
    - 2. S. Cook presented an oral report for CHEA that was received.
    - 3. B. Campbell presented an oral report for Socinet that was received.
7. New business
- a. R. Clifton and J. Lundy nominated M. O'Sullivan as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. **CARRIED**
  - b. L. Lemisko and D. Vokey nominated K. Clausen as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Program Chair for the next CSSE Conference. **CARRIED**
  - c. L. Lemisko and S. Cook nominated D. Mandzuk as President for an additional year. **CARRIED**
  - d. D. Mandzuk and S. Cook nominated N. Piquemal as Secretary Treasurer for an additional year. **CARRIED**
  - e. D. Mandzuk reported for N. Piquemal on this year's authored monograph award. The award was presented to David Geoffrey Smith for a chapter entitled, '...The Farthest West is but the Farthest East': The Long Way of Oriental/Occidental Engagement published in Smith, D. (2006). *Trying to Teach in a Season of Great Untruth: Globalization, Empire, and the Crises of Pedagogy*. Rotterdam, Netherlands: Sense Publishers. David Smith received the award and was congratulated on his achievement.

- D. Mandzuk reported that there were no submissions for the Stats Canada/ Student Award or the Service Award this year. He stated that he would approach J. Yan about exploring other ways to promote StatsCan data. He also encouraged those present to submit names of people who might be deserving of next year's CAFE Service Award.
- f. A group of CSSE members who are interested in educational policy issues announced that they were looking at the possibility of becoming more closely aligned with CAFE. They plan to have a founding session at the 2009 conference and to encourage their members to become CAFE members by the end of August so that CAFE would then be allotted more sessions. M. O'Sullivan/S. Cook moved to welcome the initiative. **CARRIED**
8. Motion to adjourn. **CARRIED**