

Canadian Association of Foundations of Education (CAFE)
Association canadienne pour l'étude des fondements de l'éducation
Minutes of the 2009 Annual General Meeting
Monday May 25, 2009
7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.
Mama Teresa Ristorante, Ottawa, Ontario

Executive Present:

D. Mandzuk, President (Manitoba); M. O'Sullivan, 1st Vice-President (Brock); K. Clausen, 2nd Vice-President (Nipissing); R. Clifton, Past-President (Manitoba).

Members Present: A.M. Dooner (Manitoba), P. Obendoerfer (Manitoba), D. Fisher (UBC), L. Lemisko (Saskatchewan), J. Lundy (Laurentian), C. Ungerleider (UBC/CCL), S. Van Nuland (UOIT), P. Clark (UBC), T. Christou (Queen's), D. Vokey (UBC), S. Dixon (Alma College), W. Okshevsky (MUN), A. English (MSVU), M. Forrest (MSVU), L. Wheeldon (Acadia), S. Bruneau (B.C. Deans), J. Porletti (OISE/UT), M. Cooley (Alberta), D. Waddington (Concordia), D. Burns, J. Allison (Nipissing), F. Helyar (Lakehead/Orillia), A. Chinnery (SFU), C. Ruitenbergh (UBC), C. Humphreys (SFU), B. Vaid (SFU), K. Dehli, (OISE/UT), H. Smaller (OISE.UT), Y. Hebert (Calgary), J. Kachur (Alberta), P. Carr (Youngstown), G. Thesele (OISE/UT), R. Hong Chen, M. Berci (CUNY), D. Lund (Calgary).

Guests: R. Renaud (Manitoba), C. and M. Strausberg (Montreal)

Regrets: N. Piquemal (Manitoba), D. Cochrane (Saskatchewan)

1. Call to order – D. Mandzuk, President
2. Welcome to members and guests – D. Mandzuk, President
3. Approval of the agenda (L. Lemisko/ D. Vokey) **CARRIED**
4. Approval of the minutes from the 2008 AGM (K. Dehli/ L. Lemisko) **CARRIED**
5. Business Arising:
 - a. The inaugural CAFE graduate student session on May 25 was well attended and allowed those attending to discuss other ways to serve the needs of grad students in the foundations.
 - b. Motion to have a permanent graduate student representative to serve on the CAFE executive (J. Lundy/J. Porletti) **CARRIED**
 - c. The chair asked for nominations for the new position. No nominations were forthcoming at that time.
 - d. The President reported that a joint CAFE/ACDE panel presentation on the role of the foundation disciplines in initial teacher education programs on May 24 was well-attended. This was a direct result of a discussion that stemmed from the 2008 AGM at UBC.
 - e. There will be a post-conference by the fledgling "Politics and Policy" group. J. Porletti will be the key-note speaker.
 - f. The CAFE/Stats Can Student Award has not been awarded for a few years and it will need to be redeveloped. A special session on using StatsCan resources will be held on May 26.

- g. The President acknowledged that Joel Yan had recently retired from StatsCan. On behalf of the CAFE membership, D. Mandzuk recognized Joel's many contributions to CAFE over the years. This was followed by a round of applause for Joel's contributions.

6. Reports

- a. President – D. Mandzuk
 - i. There will be new requirements for all authors to be members of CSSE on submission of papers for presentation at the annual conference. There was considerable discussion that this decision would mean that fewer graduate students would probably be included on papers and that papers with co-authors in other faculties and universities may not be accepted. The members recommended that the President ask the CSSE Executive to reconsider the decision. This was accepted by general agreement even though D. Fisher and M. O'Sullivan were prepared to make a motion.
- b. 1st Vice-President – M. O'Sullivan
 - i. Motion to establish awards for M.Ed. and Ph.D. dissertations. A committee will be established by the Vice President. (M. O'Sullivan/ S. Van Nuland)
CARRIED
- c. 2nd Vice-President – K. Clausen
 - i. The 2nd Vice-President reported that technically, CAFE had 39 sessions, although the number was slightly higher when joint sessions were considered. 14 of the sessions at the 2009 conference were CPES sessions.
- d. Secretary-Treasurer – D. Mandzuk for N. Piquemal
 - i. The President reported that there was approximately \$1300.00 in the bank account and that CAFE had 217 members as of May 17/09. He also reported that he expected to forward cheques of \$400 to each of the constituent groups as soon as he was given CAFE's annual allotment from CSSE.
- e. New Scholars Fund – S. Van Nuland
 - i. The fund has approximately \$15,000 in it. The interest is used to allocate awards of \$1000.00 to new scholars. Both of the winners this year were from the foundations.
 - ii. Both multi-authored and single-authored papers are encouraged to be submitted. This year there were 19 papers submitted with the winners announced at the CSSE AGM. CAFE members won two of the awards. The winners were: "The Art of Scientific Self-Defence: Transforming Dewey's Idea of Technological Transparency" by David Waddington (Concordia) and Noah Feinstein (Stanford) and "The 100-Mile Curriculum: Expanding the Scope, not the Footprint" by Claudia Ruitenberg (UBC). Congratulations and applause!
 - iii. In relation to those submissions currently under review, 12 papers were currently being considered. The papers have two rounds of appraisal:
 1. Consists of feedback and scoring with each paper read by three reviewers from the different associations;
 2. Papers are scored only and reviewers read different papers from round one. The winners will be announced at the 2010 CSSE AGM.

- iv. Donations to the New Scholar Fund are being accepted. Please contact Tim Howard if you wish to contribute.
 - v. Don Fisher provided some context and spoke briefly about the history of the New Scholars Fund.
 - f. Constituent Groups
 - i. CPES – W. Oksehvsky reported on recent activities.
 - ii. CHEA– No report provided.
 - iii. Socinet – J. Kachur reported on recent activities and concerns about the revised submission process for Socinet. D. Mandzuk expressed his commitment to working towards rectifying any problems that occurred this year.
7. New Business
- a. Confirmation of the Executive
 - i. The President spoke about the CAFE executive and said that the present members were willing to continue in their position for another year. 1st V-P Mike O’Sullivan said that he would be willing to be the next president but encouraged others to consider the role as well. A motion was requested.
 - ii. Motion to confirm the present executive members for the 2009-10 year. (S. Van Nuland / L. Lemisko) **CARRIED**
 - b. CSSE Board of Directors – D. Mandzuk
 - i. The President reported the CJE was now completely on-line.
 - ii. The CSSE conference will be at Concordia University in 2010.
 - c. Oxford University Press – D. Mandzuk
 - i. The President reported that he had been talking to OUP about publishing a textbook that would combine case studies with analyses from the foundations of education. The project could potentially involve a number of CAFE members and would be one way for our association to work together to continue to make our case heard. Members of CAFE were very enthusiastic about this prospect and indicated that such a textbook was needed. A follow-up session was to be planned on the pre-conference day of the 2010 conference.
 - d. CAFE Publication Award -- M. O’Sullivan
 - i. The Vice-President reported that the publication award was given to P. Carr and D. Lund for their book: “The Great White North? Exploring Whiteness, Privilege and Identity in Education.” The two authors spoke briefly about the book and the attention that it had received.
 - e. CAFE Service Award – D. Mandzuk
 - i. The President announced that this year’s recipient of the CAFE Service Award was Rod Clifton for his 35 years of service to CAFE. A number of letters of support were read, to great gnashing of teeth, hoots and hollers!!!
 - f. Announcements
 - i. S. Van Nuland suggested that the CAFE Awards Committee consider including another category for “learning tools” (broadly defined). She agreed to work with M. O’Sullivan, Anne-Marie Dooner (grad student representative), and other interested members on the criteria for such an award and the proposed grad student awards as well.

- ii. Another request for a graduate student to serve on the Executive was made. No one volunteered, but with a little arm twisting, Anne-Marie Dooner (Manitoba) indicated that she would be willing to serve in such a capacity for 2009-2010.
- g. Adjournment at 8:15 p.m. Dinner followed.