

Canadian Association of Foundations of Education (CAFE)

Association canadienne pour l'étude des fondements de l'éducation

Wednesday, June 1. 2011

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Present: Sharon Cook (Ottawa); Shirley Van Nuland – 1st V.P. (UOIT); Michael Corbett (Acadia); Kurt Clausen (Nipissing); Don Fisher (UBC); Sandra Bruneau (BCDE); Ted Christou – 2nd V.P. (UNB); David Mandzuk (Manitoba); Anthony Di Mascio (Bishop's); Lisa Starr (UVic); Penney Clark (UBC); Michele Forrest (MSVU); Helen Raptis – Sec-Treas. (UVic); Michael O'Sullivan – Pres. (Brock).

1. **Call to Order** – 8:40 a.m. by Michael O'Sullivan (President)
2. **Approval of Agenda** – (D. Fisher/ S. Van Nuland) **Carried**
3. **Minutes of 2010 CAFE AGM:** (S. Bruneau/ S. Cook) **Carried**
4. **Business Arising from Minutes** –
 - OUP Press book proposal: D. Mandzuk – (*Myths, Morals, and Bandwagons*) has been approved. David is soliciting 10-12 contributions for book of case studies. Mini contracts will be signed for each case and front/ back materials.
 - Report on status of "Politics and Policy sub-group" M. O'Sullivan – This group has asked to join CAFE. They did not meet this year due to unforeseen circumstances, but will keep us abreast of their developments this year.

5. Reports:

- a) President's Report: (M. O'Sullivan) –
 - i)CAFE is entitled to cost of one registration for CSSE to be covered by Congress. The CAFE Executive, when informed in April of this fact, decided after being surveyed by email, to award this to Ted Christou, the 2nd V.P. who organized the CAFE sessions this year. At an executive meeting on May 30th, the Executive decided that, in the future, this benefit should go to the person who organizes the CAFE sessions.
 - ii) Scheduling – CPES sessions were scheduled over all four days this year; this was a change from past years when CPES presentations were presented days 1 and 2, CHEA days 2 and 3 and SociNet day 4. This occurred this year because of a lack of communication with respect to this practice. Next year the presentations of each SIG will be concentrated as in the past assuming the number of presentations for each SIG allow this to happen.
 - iii)Publication Award – Awarded to David Mandzuk and Shelley Hasinoff for their 2010 book *Slices of Life: Managing Dilemmas in Middle Grades Teaching*
 - iv) Congress 2012 will take place at Waterloo University; theme is *Crossroads: Scholarship for an Uncertain World*. We need to suggest keynote speakers for CSSE. A few suggestions so far: Susan Aglukark; Romeo Dallaire; Senator Pearson. Send names to M. O'Sullivan

- v) Peer review – We need to improve our CAFE peer review processes. CPES and CHEA have good peer review processes in place for their own conferences and now, with improved technology, it will be much easier to improve our own review next year.
- vi) AERA – Each year a sub-group is asked to present at AERA. Next year it will be CAFE discussing “Foundations as Practiced in Canada.” On May 30th, the CAFE executive approved a committee composed of Michelle Forrest, Penney Clark, Michael Corbett and Michael O’Sullivan to prepare for this presentation. A number of themes for the session have been suggested, including: Indigenizing the Academy; How American Discourses Play Out in Canada; The Foundations and Teaching.
- vii) Going it Alone: Discussions have been taking place re: whether or not the CSSE should remain within parameters of Congress or “go it alone” with a separate conference. If we go it alone, there would need to be paid staff to organize what the Federation now does. The executive noted that we would also be cut off from other Humanities and Social Sciences groups; but we could be more flexible and tailor the conference to our needs. Discussion ensued on the pros and cons of staying or leaving. It became apparent that there was no consensus on this issue. Don Fisher, a former president of the Federation (i.e., Social Sciences and Humanities) spoke passionately on behalf of CSSE remaining in the Federation. It was suggested by the chair that Don be invited to speak to the CSSE Board of Directors on this issue. Agreed by consensus.
- viii) Canadian Journal of Education (S. Cook): New editor is Carla DeGeorgio. Number of manuscripts – submitted and published - has increased largely due to new all on-line format
- b) 1st V.P. Report: (S. Van Nuland) –
- i) Publications Award: For 2012 will be multi-authored or edited books
 - ii) No Statistics Canada Award was presented this year since there were no submissions
 - iii) New scholars committee: No award was presented this year for a new scholars paper
 - iv) Discussions are under way to examine viability of offering a thesis/ dissertation award
- c) 2nd V.P. Report: (T. Christou) – All sessions ran with three presentations for a total of 39. S. Clark nominated T. Christou to be CAFE member-at-large; H. Raptis seconded; **Carried**
- d) Secretary-Treasurer: (H. Raptis) – CAFE began year with \$3,097.55. After expenses were paid out, balance came down but registrations brought new balance up to \$3,189.83. We are healthy as we head into next year.

Date	Amount	Balance	Reason	CSSE Ref
7/22/10	\$3,097.55	\$3,097.55	CAFE - Funds transferred to open budget line	20100722_1
7/27/10	-\$400.00	\$2,697.55	CAFE - annual transfer to SIGs – SociNet	104
7/27/10	-\$400.00	\$2,297.55	CAFE - annual transfer to SIGs – CHEA	104
7/27/10	-\$400.00	\$1,897.55	CAFE - annual transfer to SIGs – CPES	104
10/13/10	-\$54.12	\$1,843.43	CAFE - framing of certificate for D. Mandzuk by R. Clifton	104
4/13/11	\$1,640.00	\$3,483.43	CAFE - 2010 membership fees collected by CSSE	Internal
4/13/11	-\$293.60	\$3,189.83	CAFE - Charges related to 2010 conference	Internal

e) Reports from SIGs:

CPES (M. Forrest): Reported that David Waddington has taken over as editor of Paeduses;

CHEA (P. Clark): 2012 conference will take place in Vancouver; HSE journal now entirely on line

SociNet (M. Corbett): has not been as active this year as in the past; discussions are taking place to revitalize the group

6. New Business:

a) L. Starr noted that website is hard to navigate. H. Raptis and L. Starr have offered to take on the task of revamping it and making it more accessible.

b) T. Christou's faculty at UNB has launched new journal (Antistasis); call coming for 3rd issue on topic of spirituality and education

7. Adjournment (D. Mandzuk/ K. Clausen seconded). Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.