

**MINUTES FROM CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF FOUNDATIONS OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Ryerson University

Monday, May 30th 2017 at 3 p.m. in room Sally Horsfall 660

Present: K. Clausen, S. Van Nuland, F. Helyar, N. Grant, P. Rogers, H. Smaller, C. Gidney, L. Bialystok, B. Maxwell, J. Allison, H. Raptis, M. O'Sullivan, D. Simpson, S. Bruneau, L. Lemisko, J. Anuik, A. Di Mascio, T. Christou, K. Llewellyn, T. Stanley, A. Chinnery, D. Mandzuk, C. Ruitenbergh, J. Griffin, K. Llewellyn.

CALLED TO ORDER: 3:04 PM

1) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved: Lynn Lemisko
Seconded: Ann Chinnery
Carried

2) ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE 2016 CAFE AGM

Moved: Tim Stanley
Seconded: David Mandzuk
Carried

3) PRESIDENT'S WELCOME (K. Clausen)

4) REPORTS:

4.1 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (K. Clausen)

The President reported that he has managed to gather a great deal of archives for CAFE. Information for the years 1974-1991 have been obtained at the CSSE archives. Past-President John Lundy shared information from 1991-2003 that had been digitally stored. Finally, Past-President David Mandzuk has shared original hard copies of CAFE executive material from 2003-2010. This consisted of main documents of CAFE's history, including: executive committee meetings, AGM minutes, conference programs. Still missing is a number of CAFE awards information.

The President went on to point out that the association's Special Interest Groups should not be seen as peripheral to the functioning of the body. Rather, they should be seen as the lifeblood of the organization. To drive home the importance of CAFE's SIGS, he engaged the members in a game of 20 questions regarding CAFE history related to CHEA, CPES and Socinet. All this was in aid of highlighting the fact that SOCINET had achieved official status at the 2016 AGM, and CHEA has engaged with CAFE regarding official SIG status.

The President mentioned that every president at every AGM has worried about membership numbers. He concluded that CAFE presently had 160 members, with 60 members who had lapsed within the past 6 months.

Two beloved colleagues passed away this past year: George “Skip” Hills was the founding president of CAFE; Lisa Panayotidis was our past Vice-President/Conference Programmer, much-missed scholar and friend.

The President thanked the Executive team for their support for the Foundations this past year.

4.2 REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER (F. Helyar)

The Secretary-Treasurer shared the Association’s current funds available and membership numbers as of October 2016 (\$1,281.85). (*see report attached at Appendix A*).

Following up on the President’s comment concerning lapsed membership from year to year, Jonathan Anuik asked if the executive could send a reminder to lapsed members. The Communications officer offered to send out a reminder at various times of the year.

4.3 REPORT OF THE 1st VICE PRESIDENT (AWARDS) (Shirley Van Nuland)

The VP reported that the Awards for the year consisted of the Publication Award (articles), Mentorship Award, Master’s Thesis Award, and Dissertation Awards. Next year the Publication Award will concern Multi-authored (edited) works.

Calls for all awards will be made in September, November and January. Presentations will occur at the CAFE banquet. Submitted published work is no longer anonymous.

4.4 REPORT OF THE 2nd VICE PRESIDENT (PROGRAM) (J. Griffith)

The 2nd VP commented on the importance of providing a review for each submission. Reviews varied greatly in terms of depth and substance. The greater depth proved very helpful for graduate students in particular. [*See written report for more detail*]

4.5 REPORT OF THE CJE REPRESENTATIVE (Ted Christou on behalf of M. Forrest)

The CJE website has just been updated, with the help of Katy Ellsworth. Now, the average time from submission to publication has been reduced to 8 months. Two CJE award winners were presented at the CSSE reception: the R.W.B Jackson Award and the Audet-Allard Award.

The Francophone editor has retired, and there will shortly be a call for a replacement.

A call for a special capsule issue will come shortly. CAFE members are encouraged to submit ideas for capsule issues. A capsule issue is 6 articles and one or two book reviews.

CJE has mined the archives; the current website and the old website have been combined. Articles from old editions of the journal will be scanned and made available digitally. This is CJE's 40th year. Submission from all ranks and disciplines are welcome, including Foundations. CJE is seeking members for the Board of Consulting Editors. It serves as a sounding board for editors.

4.6 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, CPES (Claudia Ruitenber)

The CPES President reported that the submissions for the conference did very well this year with 33 submissions received and 16 accepted (so that there would be no more than two presentations per session). Christopher Martin gave the early scholar lecture this morning. The CPES journal *Philosophical Inquiry in Education* (PIE) is doing well. The number of submissions and page reads are up this year. A full francophone issue was also published this year.

The CPES dinner was last night, and included a tribute to the late Paul O'Leary. It was also noted that Dr. Alan Pearson passed away this year.

Several new executive members are taking office this year.

A question came from the floor about CPES pre-conference and special sessions. It was concluded that they are not connected to the SIG sessions, and the numbers are not included in the conference session.

4.7 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, CHEA (K. Llewellyn and C. Gidney)

At the recent CHEA conference (held in Waterloo in October), Kristina Llewellyn became past-president with Catherine Gidney being voted in as president until 2018. At the event, over 170 people attended. Kristina thanked the CHEA executive and planning committee for all their help and gratefully acknowledged the financial support of UWaterloo, Wilfrid Laurier and Canada's History. This enabled graduate students to attend. Paul Axelrod, Don Wilson and Alison Prentice received lifetime awards, and Jane Griffith received the Dissertation award. CHEA is working hard to track and secure members, and to attract teachers and educators to the association. CHEA has a new website, and one benefit has been that media contacts the association for interview requests. The association has worked on the constitution, and ratified it at the CHEA conference's AGM. *Historical Studies in Education* continues to publish peer-reviewed material; the most recent one was on indigenous issues.

Catherine reported that the next CHEA conference would be in in October 2018 at St. Thomas University in Fredericton. The theme will be *Cultures, Communities and Challenges*, but presenters don't need to adhere to that theme.

4.8 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, SOCINET (D. Mandzuk)

The President thanked Nicole Grant (VP) and Pam Rogers (Sec-Treasurer), doctoral students who have been very helpful to resurrect the SIG. A pre-conference session titled "Socinet Community Café" drew about 20 attendees. Scott Davies (University of Toronto), Michael

O'Sullivan (Brock), Ee-Seul Yoon (Manitoba) and Sandra Kouritzin (Manitoba) were on the panel. Successful symposium and AGM held during CSSE. The hope is to connect Sociologists of education and sociologists and to locate "undercover sociologists," whose work is sociologically oriented.

The hope is for a themed session at next year's conference. Joint session with CSA next year is also being planned. Discussions are underway about the benefits and challenges of rebranding. The bank account has been transferred to CSSE.

4.9 REPORT OF THE *YOUNG SCHOLARS* REPRESENTATIVE (Nicole Grant, Kate Dubinsky and Pam Rogers)

Last year's *Spotlight Session* discussed connecting digitally - This year a digital presence was established with CAFE "Emerging Scholars" on Facebook. A wiki was not such a great success. This year's "Emerging Scholars" forum was less formal. Attendance was small, but a common theme was the feeling of isolation (in work or in a university setting), suggesting the need to use digital presence to create a platform for monthly sessions (eg. the publishing process). They will continue to encourage graduate students to join this community so that they can get to know each other. They seek people who are willing to help in an organizational way. They hope to send out a communication in September to remind everyone what they're doing.

The consensus at the meeting was to change the term "young" scholars to "emerging" scholars.

5) MOTIONS

5.1 Recognizing the Canadian History of Education Society as a SIG

Motion 1: That the membership of CAFE accept the Canadian History of Education Association (CHEA) as a Special Interest Group (SIG) – *see attachment*

The President instructed the room that a SIG needed three things to be accepted as a SIG in a CSSE Association: 1) a membership list; 2) an executive already in place; 3) a constitution in place that has been accepted by the potential SIG's membership. CHEA has clearly shown that all three things are in place. This final vote would be the last stage in CHEA's recognition as a SIG for CAFE.

Moved: Lynn Lemisko

Seconded: Shirley Van Nuland

Discussion: None

Carried unanimously

5.2 The E. Lisa Panayotidis Dissertation Award

Motion 2: That the membership of CAFE accepts the proposal for a new Award *The E. Lisa Panayotidis Dissertation Award in the Foundations of Education*, replacing the previous doctoral award – *see attachment*

Moved: Lyn Lemisko

Seconded: Tim Stanley

Discussion: The President reported that donations have been received: \$1000 anonymously, plus \$1000 promised from Lisa's husband, Paul Stortz. The President also indicated that this was not simply the renaming of the dissertation award already in place. Instead where previously the award was a recognition given to three scholars, it would now be a single award for one scholar.

Ted Christou mentioned that he would like to keep the three awards and have a separate dissertation award. Tim Stanley supports this award. He would like that an external examiner's report also be included as part of the application package (self-nomination and supervisor's recommendation). The committee could ask, if an external report is not available, why not. Lynn Lemisko argued that report may bring to the attention of the awards committee that a dissertation might merit an award, but the committee must read the dissertation, and that should be the basis of decision-making. A committee would determine whether or not an award was made each year. Claudia Ruitenbergh says the committee would decide, and should not consider an external examiner's report. Ted added that the committee should have membership from all three SIGS. He wants to see recognition that could encompass members of all three SIGS.

Friendly amendment by Kristina Llewellyn: "That the membership of CAFE accepts the proposal for a new Award *The E. Lisa Panayotidis Dissertation Award in the Foundations of Education*, decided by a committee including membership from all three SIGS.

This amendment was accepted by the mover and seconder.

The amended motion was carried.

Further Discussion: Claudia asked if this new award was a distinguishing award or a recognition award. It was indicated that it would be a competition, whereas the previous ones were not. Ted observed that the current three doctoral awards were not SIG-oriented.

Motion 3: That the incumbent doctoral dissertation recognition awards be eliminated.

Moved: Tim Stanley

Seconded: Kristina Llewellyn

Carried.

5.3 The Theme of the 2018 Pre-Conference

Motion 3: That the membership of CAFE approves a pre-conference for the 2018 conference to be held at the University of Regina, perhaps led by a SIG.

Moved: Michael O’Sullivan
Seconded: Shirley Van Nuland

Discussion: David Mandzuk asked if this meant there would be only one pre-conference. The President responded that it meant there would be at least one. Lynn suggests that SIGS inform the President if a pre-conference is planned so that we don’t have unintended competition between each SIG. SIG members also needed to let the SIG executive know.

In the end, it was decided that no motion was needed. The mover and the seconder withdrew the motion

6) OTHER BUSINESS

A discussion ensued concerning a home for CAFE archival documents and displaying past material on its website (i.e., past executive, minutes, programs, awards, newsletters). While no definitive solutions were reached, the President concluded that he would continue to search for a physical archive for the material, while preparing selected documents digitally for inclusion on the CAFE website.

7) ELECTIONS

President

With no other nominations, Kurt Clausen agreed to continue for another term.

Acclaimed

1st Vice President (Awards)

With no other nominations, Shirley Van Nuland agreed to continue for one year at which time a new election would be held.

Acclaimed

2nd Vice President (Program)

Nominated: Alison Molina-Giron (U Regina) by K.Clausen; Seconded by Lynn Lemisko

Acclaimed

Member-at-Large (Special Events)

With no other nominations, Lynn Lemisko agreed to continue for another term.

Acclaimed

Emerging Scholars Committee

Pam Rogers agreed to act as chair of this committee for 2017-2018.

Acclaimed

Discussion: Ted suggests that we need to give people a head's up regarding serving on the executive. The President would like to fill in our policy holes, including the question of succession. In other associations, the sign-on is for six years (VP, President, Past-President). Kristina asks what the CAFE constitution says. The president says it's a 2-year term for everyone except for 2nd VP (Programming), because we always want to have someone on the ground at each CSSE.

8) CAFE AWARDS

The following awards were announced by the 1st Vice President:

a) Master's Thesis Award

- Heather Krepski (2016). *Data-driven decision making in the school divisions of Manitoba: A critical race theory perspective* (University of Manitoba, supervisor – David Mandzuk).

b) Doctoral Dissertation Award

- None given this year

c) Outstanding Advising and Mentoring Award

- None given this year

d) Book Award (tie)

- Lynn Bosetti and Dianne Gereluk (2016). *Understanding School Choice in Canada*. University of Toronto Press.
- Helen Raptis and Members of the Tsimshian Nation (2016). *What We Learned: Two Generations Reflect on Indigenous Education and the Day Schools*. Vancouver: UBC Press.

e) Distinguished Service Awards

- Lynn Lemisko (USask) was the 2017 recipient of this award.

9) NEW BUSINESS

Tim Stanley offers thanks to the executive who are continuing.

10) ADJOURNMENT: *Moved:* Lynn Lemisko; *Seconded:* Mike O'Sullivan. Carried

ADJOURNED 4:45 p.m.