Canadian Association of Foundations of Education (CAFE) Association canadienne pour l'étude des fondements de l'education Annual General Meeting, Monday, May 31, 2010

MINUTES

Present: D. Mandzuk (Manitoba), R. Clifton (Manitoba), M. O'Sullivan (Brock), T. Christou (UNB), K. Clausen (Nipissing), A. M. Dooner (Manitoba), D. Fisher (UBC), S. Van Nuland (UOIT), D. Vokey (UBC), S. Bruneau (B.C. Deans), F. Helyar (Lakehead/Orillia), M. Parr (Nipissing), H. Smaller (York), H. Raptis (UVIC), S. Cook (Ottawa), D. Simpson (TTU), M. Forrest (MSVU), J. Kelly (Alberta), B. Spencer (Alberta), L. Starr (UVIC), Y. Saint-Pierre (Stats Can)

- 1. Call to order –D. Mandzuk
- 2. Approval of the agenda (F. Helyer/ D. Vokey) **CARRIED**
- 3. Approval of the minutes from the 2009 CAFE AGM (J. Lundy/ T. Christou) **CARRIED**

4. Business Arising:

- a) Report on Oxford University Press (OUP) <u>book proposal session</u>:
 D. Mandzuk reported that 12 interested people attended. They discussed the intent and potential structure of the book. David also reported on his meeting with the Acquisitions Editor of OUP and stated that a proposal would be submitted by year's end.
- b) Report on the <u>graduate student session</u> at this year's conference "Perspectives on a Career in the Social Foundations What Every Grad Student Should Know". D. Mandzuk reported that session was well attended and he used the occasion to thank S. Cook, D. Simpson, and J. Lundy for acting as panellists. Plans are already underway to follow-up at next year's conference.
- c) Teaching tools award: S. Van Nuland reported on the discussions among executive members about the possibility of establishing a "teaching tools" award. She defined what is meant by "teaching tools" and made the case for establishing a separate award in the category. Motion to continue work on establishing a "teaching tools" award (S. Van Nuland/J/. Lundy) CARRIED
- d) Report on the status of the "<u>Politics and Policy</u>" <u>sub-group</u>: B. Spencer thanked CAFE for its support of last year's post-conference, explained who the P&P people were, invited the membership to join them, and suggested that another post-conference may be planned at next year's conference.
- e) Report on the <u>CSSE Board of Directors meeting</u>: D. Mandzuk reported that a number of important issues were discussed at the meeting held a few days earlier. He clarified that, contrary to what had been proposed last year, all authors submitting a proposal for the conference do not need to be

members of CSSE, only the person submitting must be a member. David also discussed the "knowledge mobilization" strategy that CSSE is developing and encouraged members to think about how they might make their research more accessible to the broader public. Most importantly, he reminded CAFE members that the 2011 conference will be at UNB/St. Thomas University, in Fredericton.

5. Reports:

- a) President's report (D. Mandzuk). As the outgoing president, David reported that he was pleased that during his tenure as president, he was able to work with the membership on a number of new initiatives such as advocating for the foundations with members of ACDE, finding new ways to support grad students, including a grad student representative on the CAFE executive, and leading the OUP book proposal group. He wanted those in attendance to know how much he had enjoyed serving CAFE over the past few years.
- b) 1st Vice-President's report (M. O'Sullivan). Two awards were given this year- the CAFE Publications Award to Michelle Forrest from MSVU and the StatsCan Student Award to Kaitlyn Davis from Laurentian. The members of the jury for the awards were S. Bruneau, F. Helyar, and M. O'Sullivan. Michael thanked them for their work. Discussions about establishing M.Ed. and Ph.D. thesis awards is still being considered. People seemed to be positively predisposed to using a model similar to what CATE currently uses. The membership will be apprised of any further developments on this matter prior to next year's conference.
- c) 2nd Vice-President's report (K. Clausen) Kurt spoke about the CAFE sessions in the CSSE program. CAFE had 39 sessions with two or three papers presented in each. He reported that so far, the conference is running smoothly. He also recommended that we continue talking to the Socinet group about how to better identify which submitters prefer to present on the last day of the conference.
- d) Secretary-Treasurer's report (D. Mandzuk). David circulated a written financial statement which indicated that there is \$1,702.50 in the bank account with a few bills, including the AGM breakfast, still pending. When they are paid, there will still be a surplus. David suggested that the new Secretary Treasurer should look into the possibility of having Tim Howard at CSSE look after CAFE's finances through the use of a "ledger account."
- e) New Scholars Fund (S. Van Nuland). Shirley reported that the fund is stable and that 12 papers presented at the CSSE conference were supported by the fund.

f) CJE Advisory Board Representative (S. Cook). Sharon announced that the new editor of CJE is Carla Di Georgio from UPEI. The editorial mandate may be revised so that CAFE members who do philosophical or historical rather than empirical work will also be able to have their work considered for publication in the Journal in the future. The APA style guide used by CJE was questioned and the new editor showed some openness to including other style guides as well

g) Constituent Groups:

- CPES: no report.
- CHEA: S. Cook reported that CHEA is planning its bi-annual conference for the fall.
- Socinet: J. Kelly reported on the difficulty of members indicating "Socinet" on the proposals they submit for the conference. Some suggestions were made and this will be relayed to the new president of Socinet for next year.

6. New Business:

- a) Motion to approve the new CAFE Executive: President, M. O'Sullivan; 1st V.P., S. Van Nuland; 2nd V.P., Ted Christou; Secretary-Treasurer, Helen Raptis; Grad Student Representative, A-M Dooner; Past-President, D. Mandzuk. **CARRIED**
- b) CAFE Publications Award winner: M. Forrest won the award for her article entitled, "Sensitive Controversy in Teaching to be Critical" published in *Paideusis*, Vol. 18, No. 1, pp. 80-93.
- c) CAFE/StatsCan Award winner: Kaitlyn Davis won the award for her undergraduate paper that used Statistics Canada data.
- d) Announcements: D. Mandzuk was thanked for his many years of service to CAFE and a certificate was presented to him by R. Clifton (Past President) on behalf of all CAFE members.

7. Adjournment (S. Van Nuland/S. Cook) **CARRIED**