

AESA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2009

At AERA San Diego Manchester Grand **Hyatt Emma A**

0800am-Noon

Present: Daniel Liou, Raquel Farmer-Hinton, Jolie Medina, Silvia Bettez, Kathy Hytten, Drew McKnight, Deron Boyles, Sandra Spickard Prettyman, Mike Gunzenhauser, Audrey Thompson, Susan Schramm-Pate, Cathryn Chappell.

1. Executive Committee Minutes from Fall 2008 approved – Farmer-Hinton moved, McKnight seconded.
2. Business Meeting Minutes from Fall 2008 approved – Spickard Prettyman moved, Thompson seconded.
3. Program Chair – Deron Boyles:
 - a. Conference Lecturers
 - i. Kneller Lecture – Barb Stengel
 - ii. Butts Lecture – William Ayers
 - b. Online voting – we need to revisit the bylaws concerning this. Jolie Medina, Sandra Spickard Prettyman, Kathy Hytten, & Susan Schramm-Pate will work on this as a sub-committee.
 - c. We also need to rethink timeline leading to conference.
 - d. At this time, we have approximately 300 proposals submitted (not including those during extension).
 - e. There are currently 26 members on the proposal committee which represents an increase.
 - f. Deron and Sandra will visit Pittsburgh (2009) site in May.
 - g. Good discussion about extra-curricular activities at conference – Andy Warhol Museum, off-site reception, Mike Gunzenhauser is helping to facilitate. Possible Saturday night party with member musicians, keg, food etc. Should move presidential address and business meeting to earlier time than typical. \$2,500.00 was discussed as a possible figure to support this. Ad Hoc Hospitality committees may be in order for each conference where applicable.
 - h. Economics – AESA needs more Institutional Memberships @ \$250 for 2 years. Institution's name will be featured in the program. Deron Boyles will write formal request letter with Kathy and his signatures.
 - i. OCS – having some difficulty with extra names – matching to submissions while maintaining blind review. Once submitted, proposals cannot be edited. Folks now are resubmitting updated versions and that may lead to more than one of the same proposal being reviewed/accepted etc.

- j. Long discussion on proposal deadlines and submissions. While most on committee would like to stop deadline extensions, since it has been past practice, it was agreed that it should be phased out. Committee approved making April 1st the official AESA proposal deadline each year to create continuity etc. Moved by Audrey Thompson, seconded by Deron Boyles. It was also agreed that reminders of the deadline should be ubiquitous leading up to April 1st. A regular structure, frequent reminders, limit of extensions to one week, etc. should help to facilitate a move to a firm, professional proposal deadline.
 - k. Program – Sign Language - Preliminary investigations indicate about \$500 day for 2 sessions. Kathy will check legal requirements, possibility of Pittsburgh area folks, more to be decided through upcoming emails.
 - l. Videotaping Butts & Kneller lectures – our contract allows us to tape this year but the next 3 years’ contracts require us to use the hotels’ AV equipment only.
 - m. Hotel reservations – Pittsburgh – Cut off is Oct 5 but there is no guarantee that there will still be rooms available at that time. More reminders need to go out about this as well – listserv, Weekly roundups.
 - n. Wednesday night at conference – Dave Gabbard/CSFE – panel/presentation/discussion on political voice, advocacy and activism of AESA.
4. Treasurer Report- Sandra Spickard Prettyman
- a. SIG monies – it was decided that since there is only one group asking us to manage their monies, that AESA would do this at no charge. However, if more groups come up with this request, we will rethink this decision.
5. Site Coordinator Report – Sandra Spickard Prettyman
- a. We rank ordered possibilities for 2013 as follows:
 - i. Baltimore
 - ii. Atlanta
 - iii. Richmond
 - iv. San Juan
 - v. Ft. Lauderdale
 - b. We rank ordered possibilities for 2014 as follows:
 - i. Toronto
 - ii. Indianapolis
 - iii. Milwaukee
 - iv. Minneapolis
 - c. We generated list of possibilities for 2015 in no particular order:
 - i. Flagstaff
 - ii. Las Vegas
 - iii. Salt Lake City
 - iv. Portland Oregon
 - v. Oklahoma City

- d. We generated list of possibilities for 2016 in no particular order:
 - i. Dominican Republic
 - ii. Atlanta
 - iii. New Orleans
 - iv. Tampa/St. Pete
 - v. Birmingham
 - vi. Memphis
 - vii. Nashville
 - viii. Charlotte
6. Secretary Report –
 - a. Officer guidelines archives are almost complete.
 - b. Membership (523) and journal/mailings updates.
7. Historian – Jean Petit will donate papers from AESA past to our archives.
8. Grad Student Council – Daniel Liou
 - a. Planning 2 sessions at the conference – on mentoring and publishing.
 - b. Membership in council is growing but loose.
 - c. Possibly create a Facebook page and link to AESA website – upkeep an issue.
 - d. Plan to put call, etc. on Facebook, bulletin board. Not restricted access at this time. Committee here agreed.
 - e. Currently working on a council structure.
 - f. Grad rep needs to be added to bylaws.
 - g. How will money be spent?
 - h. A council of 3 students was discussed, council needs better communication and management and a consistent message – what we can do and what we can't, etc.
 - i. Coordinator (Hilton Kelly) should write up current and future role of council, coordinator, Perhaps oversight council of AESA President, Grad Council Coordinator, and Grad Student rep (currently Kathy, Hilton & Daniel). A proposal concerning this and other issues needs to be created and voted on in November.
9. All officers and staff thanked Kathy Hytten for the detailed letters of thanks for efforts on AESA's behalf.
10. CSFE – Cathy Chappell is also Secretary for CSFE
 - a. Maxine Greene Fund - \$25,000. Need to ask Wendy Kohli what this is/was intended for. Status on white papers?
 - b. Cathy will facilitate better communications between the groups.
11. Nominating Committees- Nominations for the Nominating Committee were discussed. We need 5 people plus the chair. Kathy Hytten will facilitate assembling the committee based on the names recommended.
12. Ed Theory

- a. AESA pays \$2000 a year. Opt-in has risen from 7 to 27 members with addition to membership form and paypal button. Staying with opt-in (rather than opt-out) for the foreseeable future.
 - b. Concerns about 2 additional issues per year focusing solely on PES and excluding supporters such as AESA and John Dewey Society. This may be due to PES having full paper submissions – need clarification on this point. Also concerns about what qualifies as ‘theory’. Is it just philosophy or does race, gender, etc. have a place in the journal?
 - c. The committee decided to hold off on any decisions until we see how the opt-in numbers are in November, and do an informal content analysis of the last several years to ascertain relevance to AESA.
13. Meeting times: will remain in the mornings at AESA but perhaps move to afternoon or evening at AERA next year.
14. Meeting adjourned at noon.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathryn Chappell