



# AESA

American Educational Studies Association

*Oct. 30, 2014*

*Toronto*

*Executive Council Meeting Minutes*

Present: Cris Mayo, Sandra Spickard Prettyman, Barbara Applebaum, Yolanda Medina, Natalie Adams, John Petrovic, Denise Taliaferro Baszile, Daniella Cook, Ty-ron Douglas, Kurt Stemhagen, Kristal Moore Clemons, Lynda Stone, Theodorea Berry, Erin Castro, Marta Sánchez, Haile Peters, Margarita Machado-Casas

Midyear meeting minutes approved.

## 1. Introductions

## 2. Education Studies report and introduction of new editorial board.

The new editors outlined the plans for the journal going forward (including a change to APA) and highlighted areas where the by-laws were not in sync with extant practices. The main area here was the number of Editorial Board members.

The new editors requested approval for institutional logo change. Mayo moves to approve moving logo from front to inside back cover with new logos, second Stemhagen. Approved by acclamation.

## 3. Accessibility subcommittee report

Moving toward universal accessibility will be a cultural change for AESA. We need to promote ADA compliant sessions. There is an immediate need to develop clear processes for request for accommodation. The ad-hoc committee was approved with the same membership as last year.

## 4. Reports

### A. Treasurer

Last year we decided to invest Kneller fund into a CD and that has been done as well as a bulk of the reserve money being put into another CD. This has tripled the interest.

We tend to generate +-5% more than we spend each year

\$41k royalty this year from T&F, significant increase over last year's \$28k.

T&F contract up for renewal in 2017.

There is still money coming in for eco-democratic reform sig.

Program this year cost \$5k, we normally budget \$2k. The increased cost was due to binding. We will discuss moving to online only program at the business meeting.

#### B. Secretary, member management system

There were 324 pre-registrations. 55% faculty, 45% students.

Problems with registration are still substantial given the technological infrastructure. Presentation was made by E-Register who addressed the major technological functions we need including (1) the ability for members to access and update their own membership information, (2) the generation of automatic email reminders to renew membership, (3) a self-designed automated receipt, (4) easy generation of excel spreadsheet, (5) direct bank payments that eliminate the need for Paypal, (6) ability to have and be able to track different membership levels.

The cost of E-Register will be \$1,000 a year plus \$400 one-time set up charge. EC will debate the technology options at the Sunday meeting.

#### C. Program Chair

Complete report in file.

#### D. Site Coordinator

Scheduling AESA over Halloween is sometimes unavoidable. However, the majority of meetings of the past 10 years have not been held over Halloween.

#### E. Historian

No report

#### F. Graduate Student Coordinator

Four sessions were scheduled for graduate students. 20 volunteers scheduled for registration table.

the book exhibit indicated a need for 2 students for 10 hours. This does not coordinate with scheduling for the registration table. If the book exhibit can request a similar scheduling, the volunteer coordinator can do it. Otherwise, the exhibit coordinators will need to do so.

There were 9 nominees for the outstanding graduate research award.

G. Communications Director

no report

H. Book Exhibit Coordinators

no report

I. Critics' Choice Book Awards

54 nominations and 16 awards. (Note that the EC voted two years ago to limit the awards to 12). There were 52 reviewers.

Mayo moves only award to AESA members, second Spickard-Prettyman. Friendly amendment that award winners should have been a member within past 3 years. Motion tabled for discussion at business meeting.

J. CASA chair

No report.

K. CSFE chair

No report.

L. Nominations Committee

No report.

5. New business

We will discuss the possibility of providing a grad student stipend for work in aesthetics and education from the Maxine Greene fund.

Meeting adjourned, 12:15

Respectfully submitted,  
John Petrovic, Secretary

*Nov. 2, 2014*

*Toronto*

*Executive Council Meeting Minutes*

Present : Kurt Stenhagen, Ty-Ron Douglas, Cris Mayo, Theodorea Berry, Susan Laird, Yolanda Medina, Sandra Spickard-Prettyman, Denise Taliaferro Baszile, Kristal Moore Clemons, Pamela Konkol, Michael Jennings.

## REPORTS

### 1. Educational Studies

The following new appointments were made to the Editorial Board: Aslam Fataar, Lisa Loutzenheiser, Eve Tuck. Sue Ellen Henry was reappointed, permitted the Board to have 19 members, pending an expected by-laws change that will expand the Board to 18-25.

The EC noted that some of the members of the Editorial Board are not AESA members and need to pay membership dues.

Proposed new cover design for the journal with a black, white, red, and gray color scheme with only journal title, association, and publisher on front cover. This requires EC approval. Spickard-Prettyman reportst that T&F are unwilling to change the cover for a year. Issue tabled to be discussed next fall.

### 2. CASA

Swain gave an overview of the work being done by CASA. The standards developed by CASA have been accepted by CSFE and CASA is now developing an action plan to help Foundations faculty use the standards to support Foundations work.

### 3. CSFE

No report

### 4. Treasurer report

The mid-year meeting is set for April 16 at AERA, 9-12:00

We took in \$6,920.05 in checks, with one Canadian (\$120)

\$3,555 in Canadian cash (losing 12% since we did dollar for dollar exchange)

\$790 in US cash

We paid out \$2000 to graduate student volunteers.

## 5. Program chair

Should we move the program to be just electronic? Berry moves that we have electronic programs only, Stemhagen second. Approved 10 yes, 1 no. The program will be available in both regular and formatted book form for download in advance of the conference.

## 6. Secretary report

Approximately 45 people attended the business meeting this year. Last year it was 52. The by-laws require a majority of members be present to form quorum. Therefore, we need to change the by-laws.

EC meetings will be from 9-12 henceforth. We will have an EC issue of the month electronically decided to help alleviate business to be conducted at the physical meeting. Moved by Mayo, second Medina. Approved unanimously.

We need a membership category for teacher/independent scholars. This will help those who have just graduate and have not yet found a job as well. Membership was set for \$55 membership, \$50 registration before October 15. Approved by acclamation.

There was discussion of the three different event management companies (E-Touches, E-Register, and C-Vent) that have been researched. Taliaferro-Baszile moves going with E-Register, Spickard-Prettyman second. Friendly amendment, vote to “go with an event management system. Approved, 10-1.

We have identified a new Secretary, but it might make more sense for the current Secretary to see the technology changes through. Taliaferro-Baszile moves to approve an extra \$1,000 honorarium in addition to the regular \$2,000 stipend for the Secretary to stay on until January 1, 2016 to get technology up and train new secretary. Second Konkol. Approved unanimously.

To avoid delaying the technology improvements, Petrovic moves approving a budget up to \$3,000 (including the E-Register fee of \$1,400) for the Secretary to work with. Individual items that exceed \$500 will be subject to approval by the EC. Taliaferro-Baszile second. Approved unanimously.

## 7. Maxine Greene fund

A motion was made to create a grad student award for work in aesthetics in education. The fund will be gone since it does not generate enough money to maintain itself, but it is better to use it anyway. We need to change the by-laws for this to happen. An ad-hoc committee to

develop criteria for the award was appointed and will be comprised of Medina, Mayo, and Moore-Clemons.

#### 8. Grad Student Coordinator

There was miscommunication between Book Exhibit and Coordinator: The book exhibit coordinators are more than willing to have students for 2 or 4 hour shifts.

The Roundtable went well and they are asking for a special issue of Ed Studies. This is now a moot point since Rebecca's final issue is that. The Grad student group also requested representation on the Exec Council. Berry and Sanchez will put together ideas for this since we've tried it in the past but one of the issues is how that student is elected/appointed.

#### 9. Nominations committee

Berry explained the process and outcomes. A problem in the process was that nominees were not notified about expectations/requirements of office and they were not notified of their nomination and, therefore, did not have the opportunity to accept or decline.

It was agreed that each officer and committee chair should write a policy document for their position. See #9 below.

#### NEW BUSINESS

10. The EC considered a resolution asking that members disrupt discussion at our various institutions of policies/practices that contradict the AESA mission. There was concern of the ambiguity in the word "disrupt" and the implications for job security. Berry moves to table, second Medina. Approved 9-2.

11. We have a decision table created by Petrovic from which a policy manual could begin to develop. There are clear practices that need to be codified. Each officer and one EC member (Moore Clemons) is charged with developing a policy document for their position. Stemhagen moves, Spickard-Prettyman second. Approved unanimously. The documents are due to the Secretary by March 15, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned, 10:24.

Respectfully submitted,

John Petrovic, Secretary

