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Executive Council Meeting Minutes

Present: Amy Swain, Lynda Stone, Kathleen Demarrais, Barbara Applebaum, Kristal Clemons, Natalie Adams, Vanessa Lancaster, Ty-ron Douglas, Gretchen Generett, Hilton Kelly, Danielle Parker, Daniella Cook, Sofia Villenas, Susan Schramm Pate, Sue Ellen Henry, Sophy Cai, Cris Mayo, Yolanda Medina, Sandra Spickard Prettyman, John Petrovic

Approval of minutes.

Accessibility issues. EC expressed concern about a number of accessibility issues. Applebaum moves putting a statement on the website to indicate that we are aware of the concerns and what we are doing to address them. No action taken. It was recommended that a task force be formed to work on accessibility address. This task force should include Julia White to co-chair with someone EC appointee (Applebaum). Kelly so moves, Mayo second, *approved unanimously*.

CASA. Swain and Demarrais gave a history of casa. The foundations standards need to be better communicated to teacher ed colleagues and to NCATE. But we no longer sit on NCATE board because we can't afford it.

The revised standards sent out for public comment. There were 2 years of public comment. Swain and Demarrais ask for motion to endorse the revised standards. Spickard Prettyman asks that everyone looks at the standards and call the question at Sunday's meeting.

Greene fund. Last year there was a request by Maxine Greene to narrow the focus of the fund. Request that \$15k to be allocated to a website to disseminate Maxine's work and work in aesthetic education generally. The problem is that Maxine did not contribute the money to this fund, so it is not clear how it should be spent. \$15k will basically wipe out the fund which is at about \$21k. We will send out the language change to approve at Sunday's meeting. We need documents to track down the origination of the fund. Stone will ask Lakes to obtain those documents.

Medina moves approving use of the MG fund to develop a website to support, enhance, and disseminate knowledge of aesthetic education in honor of MG. Second Henry. Approval contingent upon connection of the website to AESA as a sponsor of the site, with direct link to AESA site. We endorse the motion in spirit. Motion tabled (moved by Henry, second Kelly) until such time as we know if we have an MOU and original amount of the fund. Motion to table *approved unanimously*. The by-law change must be sent out to general membership at least 20 days but not more than 60 days before next business meeting. We will send out September 1, 2014.

Technology cost. We now cover 2 technology rooms @ \$600-\$700 per day. We are paying approximately \$11k this year on technology. We can bring in our own equipment. If someone brings their own projector, there is no screen, extension cords, etc. and requests cost us. Mayo moves that we no longer fund technology. Second Medina. *Approved unanimously*.

Educational Studies report. Latest issue was a guest edited issue on Eco-justice, 49/5. 49/2 special on casa standards. Another guest edited volume coming up on technoknowledge 51/1. All of volume 50 planned, with one special issue coming up on post-colonial theory, 50/4.

We have over 500 reviewers. Almost all decisions are revise and resubmit, sometimes 2-3 times. We processed 111 manuscripts this year. Acceptance rate is 25%, down from approx 30% last year. Pamela Smith, co-editor, had to resign co-editorship and has left academia for personal reasons.

Taylor and Francis is sponsoring a paper of the year, \$1000 prize, and there is a subcommittee working on the procedures and selection.

Institutional support for the journal was cut by half at Eastern Michigan.

Martusewicz announced her resignation as editor, effective Aug. 1 2014.

The EC formed a transition committee to include Demarrais, Spickard-Prettyman, Sofia Villenas (chair), who will develop a call for editors, procedures for selecting a new editor, and by-laws. Rebecca is willing to be advisory to the committee.

Educational Studies Editorship. T&F pays \$20k, AESA \$12k for the academic year and \$6k in summer. AESA also supports a GA for up to \$3k. AESA receives approximately \$28k in royalties, which go to the general fund.

Sofia and the committee will send out the call by December 1. Proposals from potential new editors to be due February 15. Decision for new editor will be made at the mid-year meeting.

Policy and Procedures Handbook. The secretary will go back through the minutes back to 2009 and create a word document that parses out all votes and categorizes them into a handbook. This will be put on the website.

SIGs. Tabled until Sunday.

Mid-year meeting. Renewed discussion on whether to meet at AERA or PES. Virtual meetings are not effective and cost AESA to set up the technology. Kristal Moore reported that her institution has an institutional membership to GOTO meetings. She will check into whether or not AESA can use that for the 2014 mid-year meeting.

One-day registration. Or eco-justice SIG had an invited speaker and advertised outside for an invited speaker. There should be a charge for a one-day registration for people who are both non-presenters and non-members. So moved by Spickard Prettyman, second Adams. \$25 on site one-day charge
[Approved unanimously.](#)

2014 Co-sponsored Meeting with IAIE. Medina presented the MOU between AESA and IAIE. Vote tabled until Sunday.

REPORTS

Treasurer. We anticipate a \$4000-\$5000 surplus this year. The conference cost approximately \$70000 with \$65000 in registrations, \$7000 in institutional sponsorships. Full report available.

Secretary. There were 247 early regular registrations and 53 late regular registrations online. Student registrations were 128 early, and 47 late (online).

Program Chair. There were 79 members of the program committee. Inter-rater reliability was not where it needed to be. There were complaints by some book authors who did not get accepted on to the regular program while others were automatically accepted for book chats in the book exhibit.

Site coordinator. Future sites were reported.

Historians. No report.

Graduate Student Coordinator. There were problems scheduling with student requests. Some people only come for a day or two given the cost. Perhaps a 4 hour block is too long. No action taken. The first T&F awards were conducted. There were 10 applications, 4 awardees. We need to not schedule an evening graduate student reception as attendance is low. Cook proposed box lunch mentoring sessions with a faculty member of the student's choice. Cook nominated Jason Mendez as graduate student coordinator. [Approved unanimously.](#)

Communications director. No report.

Book exhibit coordinators. No report.

Critics' Choice Committee. There was discussion of the purpose of an "award." The EC reviewed the policy set last year to limit the number of winners to 12 with a majority having been AESA members within the last three years. Proposed to do the book awards at the business meeting.

CASA chair. No report.

CSFE. No report.

Journal editors. No report.

Meeting adjourned, 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,
John Petrovic, Secretary