

The John Dewey Society

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2008 Minutes

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The 2008 Business Meeting was held on Tuesday March 25 from 6:15-8:15 in the Harlem Room (7th Floor) of the New York Marriott Marquis Times Square.

Members in Attendance: Edmund Short, Len Waks, AG Rud, Tom Bacher (Purdue University Press), Meryl Domina, Eva Fulton, Tomas, Englund, Allison Taysum, Peter Hlebowitsh, Dan Tanner, Kathy Hytten, Deron Boyles, Bill Wraga, Harriet Cuffaro, David Hansen, Bill Gaudelli, Kyle Greenwalt, Mark Vagle, Avner Segall, Larry Hickman, Craig Cunningham, Kurt Stemhagen, Chris McCarthy, Lynda Stone, Nick Burbules, Steve Fishman, Matt Pamental, Jim Garrison

The minutes from 2007 were approved

Lynda Stone was announced as our President-elect; Kathleen Knight-Abowitz, Jim Campbell, and Bill Gaudelli were announced as new board members for the 2008-2011 cycle; David Granger filling in for Lynda Stone for 2008-2010. Jim Garrison gave thanks to those who stood for election, and to outgoing board members Cuffaro, Hytten, and McCarthy.

Matthew Pamental, Secretary/Treasurer reported that membership stood at over 200 members, including 176 US and 31 international members. Institutional membership is down by 25% to 31 libraries.

Income from membership, donations, gifts, royalties, and the Tanner fund amounted to \$17, 843; expenses totaled \$11,432; remaining balance from 2006 was \$3519; thus, the bank account has an estimated \$9,930.

Committee Reports:

Commission on Social Issues (Leonard Waks, Chair): CSI sponsored its second JDS CSI workshop at the 2008 meeting and continued to work on our blog, Social Issues, throughout the year. I also reiterated the direction relation between CSI and the mission statement of the society.

Dewey Lecture: Jim Garrison reported that he was in the process of inviting scholars from the Rethinking Schools Organization.

Reports on Society Publications and Educational Theory

Educational Theory: Nick Burbules noted that subscriptions are up, significantly due to institutions with access through consortia. The journal's finances are in good shape. The accept rate for the journal is low—17.05%.

Education and Culture: AG Rud reported that the acceptance rate continues to

drop, down to 30%. New members of the board Aaron Cooley, Kathy Hytten, and Kersten Reich replaced OL Davis, Bill Doll, and Jesse Goodman. Support from the Tanner fund is acknowledged and appreciated. Book review editors created and named: Granger and Mahoney.

Report on The Daniel Tanner Endowment: Peter Hlebowitsh reported that the Fund has done well, currently standing at \$37, 650.

AERA Program: Garrison reported that submissions were up, and that we were able to secure 9 total slots, including the Dewey Lecture, Annual Symposium, Commission on Social Issues, Business meeting, reception, and 4 paper/paper discussion sessions.

Report on the JDS/SAAP session: SAAP liason Matt Pamental reported that the session went well. While Nel Noddings had to pull out, Pamental stepped in to deliver a paper, along with Larry Hickman's, on 'Anti-Intellectualism in Schools.' The session was well-attended, and produced a very good discussion. SAAP president Jim Campbell has agreed to continue inviting JDS, contingent upon space in the program, on a rotating basis with other organizations.

Jim Garrison announced the appointment of Kurt Stemhagen as Membership and Development officer, to assist the Secretary/Treasurer in maintaining and increasing membership.

Garrison then acknowledged \$1000 in support from Virginia Tech.

Bylaws. Garrison reported that he had been given the following directive from AERA: "The SIG Executive Committee, Central Office and Council are still working on the SIG bylaws template. Depending on how things progress in the next 10 days, we hope to have a template distributed at the Annual Meeting in New York. All SIGs will have a year (through the end of the 2009 Annual Meeting) to craft their bylaws"--Phoebe H. Stevenson, Deputy Executive Director

Garrison shared a draft Constitution, but reported that details had yet to be worked out regarding the relationship between the JDS and the JDS SIG.

In New Business: It was announced that JDS had committed to holding sessions at INPE 2008 in Kyoto, Japan. Discussions are to continue regarding increasing membership, possibly through the SIG, using the listserve, and regarding using PayPal for US membership.

The meeting was then adjourned.