# **AAPT Board Meeting Minutes June 3, 2016**

# I. Opening

A. Call to order: 3:00 pm CT

#### B. Roll call

- Andy Carpenter, Rebecca Scott, Andrew Mills, Emily Esch, Scott McElreath, Kevin Hermberg, Christina Hendricks, David Concepcion, Rob Loftis

# C. Approval of Minutes of February 2, 2016

- Approved by consensus

# D. Approval of Agenda

- Emily sent amended agenda before meeting
- Approved by consensus

# **II. Committee and Other Reports**

- A. Executive Director (Esch)
  - At beginning of February, we had 244 members, expecting to gain numbers with conference. Expect to exceed last cycle's membership of 288
  - Andy and Andrew are working on ED recruitment. Plan to send out an email and talk at conference

#### B. Treasurer (Esch for Kraft)

- Financially, very healthy. Will wait for Rory for more detail. (Andy: very high quality financial reports—Thanks Rory!)

#### C. Communications Director (Hermberg)

- Working with facilitators to build private site for the grad seminar.
- Would be good to begin tracking how people find out about us
- Board can help with communications by posting things from website on social media—wait a few days to do so to increase shelf life of posts.

#### D. Editorial Board (Hermberg and Kraft)

- Editorial board has started working with Kelly Burns, editor for volume 3, on inclusive pedagogies. Ready to send CFP for approval from editorial board. Plan to send call out before the conference. Sept/Oct deadline for submissions.
- Volume 2 is on track, expecting submissions soon, deadline June 30.

#### E. Awards (Loftis)

- Dave received merit award. (Congratulations Dave!)
- Call for proposals for grant program about ready to go out.

# F. Lenssen (Mills)

- Committee selected a winner and 2 honorable mentions. Notifications going out Monday.
- Dave will send plaque ordering info and picture of plaque to Andrew and Emily. Each author on multiple author paper will receive plaque.
- Andrew will send winner info to Kevin for website once notices have been sent out.
- One of the honorable mentions and several finalists were from Studies in Pedagogy.

#### G. Program (Esch)

- We have particularly large conference this year--77 sessions.
- 2 plenary speakers—Frank Tuitt and Phyliss Rooney
- 2 plenary panels—Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy (SACP) panel and panel on teaching philosophy in Bangladesh
- 3 concurrent seminars—Teaching and Learning grad seminar, facilitator training, and PLATO.
- Board meeting with APA teaching committee on Wednesday night, board members asked to be there. Time set for 6pm-8pm. 1 hour AAPT business, 1 hour APA committee business
- Rob agreed to be nominations committee chair again
- This is Russell's last time chairing the program committee, so we need to start thinking about a new program chair.
- We will hold convocation again and introduce seminarians and announce PLATO seminar.
- Board duties for conference include: board meeting Wednesday night (6pm) and members meeting Friday morning.
- In past board has met at lunch, allows members access to the board.

# H. Teaching and Learning (Hendricks)

- AAPT seminar run by Donna Engelmann, Dave Concepcion, Paul Green. 19-20 seminarians
- 9 participants in facilitator training at conference
- On June 25, Paul Green will be leading a workshop in LA.
- Most recent workshop was April 9 at the University of Western Ontario with focus on inclusive pedagogy.

- Workshop led by Stephen Bloch-Schulman, Dave Concepcion, and Rebecca Scott. 31 participants.
- Feedback indicated we might need to pare it down and also include more on disability inclusivity. Stephen suggests we should get in touch with participants ahead of time to find out about needs.
- We need to make sure we advertise workshops at conference and on website. We should include in advertising that we offer a workshop specifically on inclusive pedagogy.

#### **III. Old Business**

- A. Collaboration with APA Teaching Committee
  - APA is going to set aside a room dedicated to teaching (Very exciting that we are getting this kind of support from the APA).
  - The room will host all sessions related to teaching as well as whatever else we can think of. Our task is to figure out what would be of value to people. Possible ideas: text books, Q and A, coaching, how to work with students on undergraduate research.

#### **IV. New Business**

- A. Raising Lenssen Award prize (Mills)
  - Lenssen prize has been \$200, should go up.
  - Andrew suggested \$300. Dave suggested \$500 to cover cost of conference. Emily suggested cash award and waiving of registration fee.
  - By consensus, we decided that we will give \$300 cash prize to each author and waive registration for the author(s) who want to attend conference. Total value is just under \$600 per author.
  - In general, Emily suggests we spend more money. We have been exceeding our budget goals as we continue to grow each cycle. Dave suggests paying workshop facilitators—should be added to next agenda.
- B. PLATO request for \$250 for PLATO Philosophy Fund (Esch)
  - PLATO received a matching grant and they are trying to raise money (see letter emailed to board by Emily). If we give \$250, we become a founding member.
  - By consensus, we agreed to donate \$250.
- C. Increasing the amount for the Innovations in Teaching Grant Program from \$1k to \$2k (Loftis)
  - Committee agreed to award 8 proposals of \$250-\$500. CFP almost ready.
  - We discussed increasing the overall amount or reducing the number of awards so that people could do something more substantial with the money.

- We reached consensus that we should increase the amount and let the board see what applications they get.
- CFP will be changed to indicate that grants may be awarded up to \$1000.
- Scott suggested increasing the amount to \$4000. We agreed that we would approve the current increase from \$1000 to \$2000 with the understanding that we may approve more money if the committee receives enough excellent proposals requiring more funds.
- We discussed how frequently the grants should be given. Emily requests that all proposals to the board should be based on a 2 year cycle to match budget cycle.

#### V. Announcements

None

VI. Adjourned

4:05 CT

These minutes approved by the Board July 27, 2016