

In attendance:

Zachary Monroe, Nicolas Fillion, Frederic Bouchard, Lesley Cormack, Andrew Ede, Bryan Reece, Danny Goldstick, Jim Brown, D. Brooke Struck, Riiko Bedford, Yiftach Fehige, Bernie Lightman, Ari Belenkiy, Dustin Olson, Hannah Gay, Emily Tector (sp?), Robert Brain, James Hull, Monica Hull, Henry Trim, Geoff Bil, Calum Agnew, Jason Grier, Paul Grennham, Adam Richter, Micah Anshan, Kristen Schranz, Marie Lemonnier, Katharine Anderson, Lucia Dacome, Marc MacDonald, Bruce Burdick, Ken Corbett, Brian Schefke, Joseph Berkowitz, Lucien Lamoureux, Anjan Chakravartty, David Orenstein, Elizabeth Neswald, Gordon McOuat, Letitia Meywell, Kathleen Okruhlik, Conor Burns, Carrie Klatt, Bryson Brown

1. Introduction

Kathleen Okruhlik (KO) thanks Carrie Klatt (CK) for work on local arrangements

2. Review & approval of 2012 AGM minutes:

Two changes proposed :

--Bernie Lightman → under "Thanks to York University (Paul Delaney dean) for funding printing of Communique" change "Dean" to "Chair"

--Lesley Cormack → under "1st vp (Lesley Cormack)'s report on IUHPMLS & Medicine affairs" strike "Medicine affairs"

Motion to approve 2012 minutes made by Nicolas Fillion; Fred B, second;
Vote to approve minutes PASSED

3. President's Report (KO)

a. CSHPS archive officially accepted into York University archives

b. Delegates to International Union for History and Philosophy of Science (IUHPS) meeting, Manchester, will be Lesley Cormack, Ernie Hamm, and Marga Vicedo

--Lesley Cormack announcements:

--IUHPS under direction of UNESCO; Canadian National Committee represents our four cognate learned groups (CSHPS, CSHPM, CSHM, CSTHA)

--Committee will be looking for future delegates

--National Research Council covers CSHPS membership fee in IUHPS → \$850/year, but NRC is changing its mandate so follow-up may be necessary

--Canada will host 2016 Three Societies meeting; location TBA (Banff floated as possibility, but will most likely be held in Montreal)

- c. KO announcement of visit by Karine Morin of Genome Canada to Executive Council meeting
- F. Bouchard & L Cormack summarized Morin's presentation: GC wants to broaden expertise pool on genomics research; GC looking for collaborations with STS-type scholars within framework of GELS initiative ("Genomics in Ethical, Legal, Social" aspects);l at this point things are tentative, K Morin feeling out possibilities of collaborations; if any CSHPS members are doing research in genomics/molecular biology issues and are interested in possible collaboration with GC/GELS, contact Fred or Lesley; further details to be communicated through newsletter
- d. KO announcement that CFHSS will not be visiting AGM this year
- General discussion followed: concern about advocacy for humanities within CFHSS current mandate (FB to solicit responses from CSHPS members)
 - FB: cautious optimism about advocacy of new CFHSS President Antonia Maioni
 - Bernie Lightman / Katey Anderson / FB : SSHRC grant landscape for HPS is changing fast; concern about hostility toward history of science at SSHRC committee level; FB – CFHSS not focused on public lobbying SSHRC; time to think of names to recommend for SSHRC committee
- e. Pre-tenure / junior faculty prize
- FB – announcement about desire to create a pre-tenure / junior faculty prize to be awarded by CSHPS. No money attached; purpose is for social capital only.
- f. KO – presentation of results of CSHPS constitutional review & changes to constitution (c.f. Constitution with changes,)
- Review committee made up of KO, FB, Andrew Reynolds, Conor Burns
 - KO & FB went over changes
 - FB explained that upshot of many changes to wording (especially addition of Article XI) is in anticipation of *possible* future incorporation of CSHPS
 - Ari Belenkiy raised several concerns about timing & terms of office of executive council, thought current arrangement perhaps too informal and might lead to having same few people on council; general response to AB was that this arrangement is best given small number of members in general, and that members always have vote at AGM, etc.
 - LC commented that the by-laws were removed from the constitution as a result of the last constitutional review.
- Motion to vote to approve revisions to Constitution made by Katey Anderson; Micah Anshan, second;
Vote to approve revisions PASSED, with 1 abstention.
- g. Student travel funds

--Due to high costs of travel to Victoria, KO suggests CSHSP increase amount allocated for student travel reimbursement to \$3,000

Motion to vote on increase made by David Orenstein, Nic Fillion, second; Passes unanimously

--Discussion follows about loss of SSHRC travel grant (had been typically around \$2600); situation will have to be monitored in future, with possibility that membership dues may have to be increased; CB will look into possibility of adding extra field to PayPal for donations to student travel funds.

--KO: wants Executive to be allowed to allocate \$2600 for student travel for next year (2014) meeting at Brock.

Motion to vote on allocating \$2600 for student travel for next year made by Nic Fillion; Bryson Brown, second. Motion PASSES unanimously.

h. Issue of childcare cutbacks at Congress

--Congresses used to have very good childcare; cuts / loss of childcare raise issues of fairness for young parents, gender equity issues

--recognition that providing childcare is a huge burden for host institutions

--KO puts forward the following statement to be sent to CFHSS in support of future childcare:

“Recognizing the importance of full participation in Congress activities by the parents of young children and recognizing that child care remains a gender equity issue, the Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science calls upon the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences to ensure the provision of child care at all future Congresses.

We also ask the Federation to investigate the possibility of providing child care subsidies for Congress participants who are graduate students or low-waged faculty members.”

--Motion to vote to accept statement and communicate it to CFHSS (Lesley Cormack, Letitia Meywell). PASSED unanimously.

4. Secretary & Treasurer's Reports

--motion to approve (Andrew Ede / Bernie Lightman): Passed unanimously.

5. Communique Annual Report (cf Report); some discussion about move to electronic only; something to be considered by next editors

6. Motion to approve Website / Listserve Manager's Report (cf Report) Motion (James Hull, Anjan Chakravartty), Passed unanimously.

7. Motion to approve Nominating Committee report (Danny Goldstick, James Hull), Passed. (cf Report)

At this point in meeting, Ari Belenkiy expresses personal concerns about representation of history of science at current meeting. Says keynote talk by Rob Iliffe was inappropriate. Concerned about "purity" of the discipline. AB expresses desire that more participants and all of the executives in CSHPS have science degree. AB puts forward motion: In order to be member of CSHPS Executive Council, member must have some sort of degree in science(s?) and work in at least two fields. David Orenstein seconds.

--Much reaction to AB in general discussion that follows: AB's proposal out of touch with current state of field; does he want to see list of "genuine" sciences?; such stringent criteria would make it impossible to regularly fill Executive positions; CSHPS is about epistemic diversity, which is protected by AGM & Nominating Committee, etc.

--Vote called on AB's motion; Motion fails (only AB voted in favour)

8. Program Committee Report (Elizabeth Neswald) (cf Report)

--parity between history and philosophy representation at this year's meeting; would consider opening submissions to include general STS topics in future

--Gender disparity (3:1) very pronounced in Philosophy side

--gives thanks to Bryson Brown and Hannah Gay

--gives a plug for next year's meeting at Brock (book student housing early!)

9. Elizabeth Neswald announces this year's Hadden Prize winner: Bryan Reese of U of T.

--Motion to adjourn