

**CAE BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 22, 2013, 6:15-7:30 PM**  
Hilton Salon A-2

**Call to Order 6:25pm**

***Membership Welcome and Introductions—Rosemary Henze***

CAE President Rosemary Henze welcomed everyone and introduced the Executive Board and the Members-at-Large. She also introduced the new incoming Member-at-Large, Angelina Castagno, and the new incoming President-Elect, Bradley Levinson.

***Accomplishments and New Initiatives—Rosemary Henze***

Rosemary noted her goals of greater transparency in CAE, of keeping the mission in greater view (and acting on it), of connecting with local educators, of making CAE a welcoming place for new and existing members, and of making CAE financially sustainable.

She noted several CAE accomplishments from the past year:

- We changed the by-laws to allow 15 committees instead of 12.
- We added the Mission Committee Chair(s) to the Executive Board.
- We officially added the Student Representative and Webmaster to the CAE Board.
- We welcomed a new CAE Treasurer and a new CAE *Anthropology News* editor.

Rosemary also noted several continuing initiatives from previous years:

- We continue to strive toward a nurturing professional home for new scholars and we are seeing success.
- We have continued to work on fundraising and new endowments.
- We developed a local educator event to connect to the community.

***Program Chair's Report—Marjorie Faulstich Orellana***

CAE Program Chair, Marjorie Faulstich Orellana, shared the number of CAE sessions, papers, and special events presented at this year's meeting.<sup>1</sup> She explained the process of submitting our reviews and recommendations to AAA. Marjorie shared that we had a close to 100% acceptance rate, and this could have been due to taking eight of our sessions off site. We had considerable overlap among special events given the limited time slots and the fact that we had 16 special

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<sup>1</sup> Figures from Marjorie's Program Chair report:

- Number of organized sessions submitted to CAE: 40
- Number of individual papers submitted to CAE: 98
- Number of sessions constructed by the CAE program team: 19
- Total number of sessions reviewed: 72
- Number of CAE volunteer reviewers: 67
- Number of sessions not accepted by AAA: 3
- Total number of CAE sessions in program: 56

events this year (up from approximately 11 last year). Ten session proposals were submitted for invited status. We were allotted two invited sessions, but due to co-sponsorship with other Sections, we were able to have three invited sessions.

Marjorie also updated the membership about the Field Museum Event, noting that the Chief of Staff of the Chicago Teachers Union would be in attendance. She shared some lessons learned for next year, including those related to technological challenges and opening spaces for dialogue and the sharing of ideas.

### ***Next Year's Program—Bradley Levinson***

Incoming President-Elect and Program Chair, Bradley Levinson, shared the theme of next year's meeting, "Producing Anthropology," and read parts of the AAA statement on the theme. He explained the importance of the all-committee meeting for committees to brainstorm and discuss potential sessions for the 2014 Meetings. Bradley also encouraged the membership to think about bringing in key actors from the Washington DC area. Finally, he made a call for session reviewers for next year's program. He encouraged senior scholars to sign up to review papers and sessions.

### ***Treasurer's Report—Gilberto Arriaza***

CAE Treasurer Gilberto Arriaza shared his report on CAE's finances, including the specific figures (see 2013 Treasurer Report). He noted that the main sources of revenue for CAE were AEQ first and then membership dues. Gilberto also noted that our main expenses are AEQ and our awards, which have strategic value to us as they support newcomers and junior scholars. This cultivates the ground for us to stay strong as an organization. Gilberto noted that we currently have a deficit for next year, but the Board has developed some aggressive ways to increase our revenues.

### ***AEQ Report—Nancy Hornberger***

AEQ Editor, Nancy Hornberger, thanked CAE and the Board for the privilege of editing AEQ. She also thanked the associate editors and managing editors with whom she's worked over the past few years. Nancy shared and explained the AEQ at-a-glance report that was shared with the membership in hard copy. She noted the session organized by Kristin Searle focused on how to publish in AEQ, which would be presented at the Field Museum. Finally, Nancy shared that her term as editor was ending in December, and she introduced the new editors, Sally Campbell Galman and Laura Valdiviezo.

### ***Endowed Awards Committee Report—Greg Tanaka and Wes Shumar***

Outgoing Past-President, Greg Tanaka, announced that CAE is about to launch new endowed awards. These awards have three purposes:

1. They are named to honor our elders
2. They help our newer members learn our history
3. The endowments protect CAE from the ups and downs of the economy as the funds are generated by the endowments' fixed interest rate of 4% annually

Greg shared that he had four named endowed awards to announce. He first shared the process by which decisions about the names were made. He also noted that he already received some commitments for contributions. He shared the names of the following awards, noting that he had spoken to each of the individuals named about this honor.

1. Douglas Foley Early Career Award (a new award)
2. Concha Delgado-Gaitan Presidential Fellowships
3. Shirley Brice Heath Junior Scholar Travel Awards
4. Frederick Erickson Outstanding Dissertation Award

Greg invited Fred Erickson and Shirley Brice Heath, who were in the audience, to share a few words. Both expressed that they were appreciative of this honor. Greg also invited Wes Shumar to discuss the fundraising plans related to these awards. They both discussed that there may be more opportunities for naming awards and/or other endowments in the future. They encouraged the CAE membership to consider thinking of CAE in their estate planning.

#### ***Dissertation Award—Char Ullman***

Dissertation Award Committee Chair, Char Ullman, shared the names of the committee members. She noted that they received 13 terrific dissertation nominations for this award, making it a very difficult decision—and very close. Char then presented the awards, providing us a description of each of the dissertations earning awards:

Honorable Mentions: Shirin Vossoughi, Kate Grim-Feinberg, Susan W. Woolley

Outstanding Dissertation Award: Juliette de Wolfe

#### ***Presidential Fellows Report—Greg Tanaka***

Greg announced the names of this year's Presidential Fellows, who then came up to the podium to receive their awards. He also announced the names of the mentors, who stood for applause. The fellows' names follow, with mentors in parentheses.

Wai-chi Chee (Kevin Foster)  
Chatwara Duran (Paul Kroskirty)  
Toni Cela Hamm (Marki LeCompte)  
Alex Posecznick (Catherine Emihovich)  
Tomoko Tokunaga (Shirley Brice Heath)  
Joseph Valente (Norma Gonzalez)  
Shirin Voussoughi (Thea Abu El-Haj)

#### ***Travel Awards—Patricia Sánchez***

First year member-at-large, Patricia Sánchez, announced the names of this year's Travel Award Winners, who then came up to the podium to receive their awards. On behalf of Cindy Cruz, who chaired the committee, Patricia thanked the Travel Award Committee members and Greg Tanaka

and Rosemary Henze for making it possible to give more awards than the budget originally allowed.

Award winners for this year were the following individuals: Heather Ann Rudolph, Stephanie Wong, Bie Aweh, Manuel Perez, Tezeta Stewartz, Mariella Arrendondo, and Joanna Wong

### ***Outgoing Board Member Thanks—Rosemary Henze***

Rosemary thanked two outgoing Board members, Greg Tanaka (outgoing Past-President) and Katherine Richardson Bruna (outgoing Third Year Member-at-Large). She presented them with a gift as a token of appreciation.

### ***Spindler Award Presentation—Christine Finnan***

Spindler Award Committee Chair, Christine Finnan, thanked the Spindler Award Committee members, Shabana Mir and Loukia Sarroub. She explained that there were two award winners this year, Hervé Varenne and Elsie Rockwell. Christine shared an introduction to the work of each of the awardees, and read a bit from the nominating letters to introduce them. Both were presented with a plaque and a check, and photographs were taken.

### ***Spindler Awardee Addresses***

Elsie Rockwell and Hervé Varenne both gave addresses that shared their history in the field.

### ***Closing Reminders***

The following closing reminders were announced:

#### **Saturday Events:**

- 8:00am-2:00pm: Field Museum Day
- 6:15-7:30pm: All committee meeting
- 7:30-8:45pm: Presidential Address by Past-President Greg Tanaka
- 8:45-10:00pm: New members welcome reception