Minutes of the June 2018 Business Meeting

1. President’s welcome and overview of the agenda (Evelyn Forget)

2. Approval of minutes from 2017.

3. Secretary’s Report (Marianne Johnson)
   a. This is the last year of transition to the new constitution, adopted in June 2016. This only affects Executive Committee term lengths. After this year, there should be one new member elected to the Executive Committee each spring to serve a four-year term.
   b. Though the nominating committee put forth a slate that included an even number of men and women for HES Executive Committee positions, three out of four women declined to run.
   c. Membership numbers continue to improve. I think it is mostly attributable to the new online membership maintenance/website, social networking, the 3-year membership option, and easier payment options. However, we still have a few difficulties with our European members and Pay Pal. We continue to work on solutions for this.

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d. The HES Cocktail Reception at the AEA meetings in Atlanta will be Saturday, January 5 from 6 to 8pm.

e. The Conference Planning Committee is seeking proposals to host the HES Conference in June 2020 and June 2021. Proposals should identify a specific conference venue (hotel or university), specific dates, and provide a contact person. Those interested in proposing a location should contact hes@uwosh.edu by October 1.

Secretary’s report accepted.

4. Treasurer’s Report (Spencer Banzhaf)
a. Financial statements, cash balances, assets. Total resources are at slightly over $1 million.
b. Note that the HES fiscal year is now starts June 1, which allows us to close the books before the conference.

Treasurer’s report accepted.

5. SHOE Report (Humberto Barreto). Things are good. There are currently 1138 members; any people attending HES who were not on the list received a personal email invitation to the list. There are subscribers from more than 35 countries. Feedback should be directed to Humberto Barreto.

6. Introduction of Digital Information Manager (Rebeca Gomez-Betancourt)

7. JHET Editor’s Report (Stephen Meardon)
   a. This is the end of his 5-year term as editor.
   b. Submissions remain strong, up slightly this year. He expects a total of about 90 submissions.
   c. Note the efforts to increase the JHET’s digital presence, including the accepted typescripts series and virtual issues. Those interested in curating a virtual issue should contact the editors.
   d. Note that it is important to access JHET through your institutions library website. These hits are counted by the library to indicate interest in the journal.
   e. Special thank you for all those that helped during his editorship, including Dianne Davis, Pat Sanders, Maria Paganelli, Jimena Hurtado, Ivan Moscati, Neil Niman, Spencer Banzhaf, Chris Robinson, Steve Medema, Evelyn Forget, Marcel Boumans, and Bob Dimand.

8. Introduction of new JHET editors (Jimena Hurtado and Pedro Duarte)
   a. Thank you for your confidence and support.
   b. Please send them new ideas.

9. Vice President’s Report (Marcel Boumans): 4 sessions are accepted for the ASSA meetings on topics including Walras, Keynes, Engineering and Women in Economics.

10. President’s Report (Evelyn Forget): things are running mostly smoothly. We have made some changes to the New Initiatives Grants and created small seed grants for early career researchers. Details will be forthcoming.

11. Update on the Chicago Conference (John Berdell/Joe Persky): Attendance is good and hopefully things continue to run smoothly.

12. Announcement of the HES 2019 Location (Conference Planning Committee): New York City at the Faculty House at Columbia.
13. New Business