

June 21, 2019
Faculty House Columbia University
HES Business Meeting
5:15 to 6pm

1. President's Welcome and Overview of the Agenda (Marcel Boumans)
2. Approval of the Minutes from June 2018
3. Secretary's Report (Marianne Johnson)

Membership numbers remain stable.

Year	End-of-May Membership	Year-End Membership
2015	?	229
2016	186	290*
2017	197	202
2018	266	284
2019	247	

This year's election occurred in early March. We had 96 people vote (roughly 1/3 of our membership). Positions for election include vice president and one new member to the executive board. We thank Scott Scheall for his service and welcome Tom Stapleford and Ross Emmett to the Executive Committee.

The HES January 2020 Exec meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 4 from 8:30 to noon in San Diego. The HES reception will be on Saturday, January 4 from 6 to 8pm, location to be announced.

4. Treasurer's Report (Spencer Banzhaf)

HES's finances are strong as income continues to exceed expenses. Revenues include memberships, investment gains, and CUP payment for JHET.

Expenses: the HES broke even on the 2018 conference. We did not receive as many requests for New Initiative Funding as we have in the past and are looking for more ideas and new initiatives. We anticipate a net income of \$37,000 this year, which is pretty typical.

Discussion of conference expenses – registration was costly this year and did not include many lunches. Warning that we will lose a significant amount of money on the NYC conference, but hope that looking at a 5-year average, we are on track.

Assets statement. Things are good and we're in line with our specified targets. Total assets fell \$27K, but that's because we haven't been paid by CUP. Investment returns are about 3.4%.

5. SHOE Report (Humberto Barreto)

Good news = no costs. Bad news = no revenues. SHOE hosts over 1100 members from about 40 countries. The list is in good shape – mature and stable. Welcome suggestions and feedback.

6. Introduction of Digital Information Manager (Erich Pinzon-Fuchs)

Erich is the new digital information manager. Reports that HES activity on Twitter has increased 23% and Facebook, 8%. Erich is launching a You Tube site along with starting Instagram. He will start to live stream more HES meetings and events.

7. JHET Editor's Report (Jimena Hurtado and Pedro Duarte)

The editors would like to highlight a few things that happened in their first year. JHET moved to single-blind review in October 2018. They plan to add some language in the standard referee request email to make referees more aware of diversity/language issues. They have started a project of interviewing distinguished fellows of the society, with the first interview coming out in December. Last, JHET has an impact factor again after being suppressed last year. The impact factor is very solid = 0.76 for last year. About 0.7 for the 5 year window.

The editors would like to thank their referees, board, and submitters. They would also like to especially thank Maria Pia Paganelli who is finishing a long term as book review editor. She did a wonderful job. New book review editor is Catherine Herfeld.

Reporting on submissions: the queue is about 12 to 18 months to publication and the acceptance rate is about 46%. The editors note there are some communities with lots of history of economic thought scholars that do not submit to JHET and they want to work on reaching this audience.

Last, the editors are expanding JHET social medial reach a wider audience.

8. Outgoing Vice President's Report & Introduction of New Vice President (Marcel Boumans)

The HES received 8 proposals for HES sessions this year. The primarily consideration used to determine which would be accepted for January presentation at the ASSA meetings was the prominence of historical analysis. In addition, to the 4 HES sessions, we are co-sharing sessions with the Association of Christian Economists and with the American Sociological Association.

9. Outgoing President's Report (Evelyn Forget)

Evelyn officially hands over the office to Marcel who she is confident will do a wonderful job. Her term has been an opportunity to make lots of errors during the transition to the new constitution, but things are now running more smoothly and we are heading in the right

direction. She would like to especially thank Spencer Banzhaf and Marianne Johnson for help with the transition.

10. Diversity Initiative (Rebeca Gomez-Betancourt)

The initiative is in its second year and just hosted a lunch earlier today. Activities include a survey on issues in the field which resulted in our first report. Findings include that women, young scholars, and non-native speakers feel underrepresented in the field and would like to see more inclusive activities through grants, at the conference, and through professional reviewers (referees, discussants, committees). The initiative will move forward, operating informally with an email list (sub SHOE) and the group is looking for participants and ideas.

11. Thank you to 2019 Conference Planners and Request for Future Proposals (Marcel Boumans)

Thank you to the conference organizers Jeff Biddle, Carl Wennerlind, Clara Mattei, and Haaro Maas and Jose Edwards. Also like to thank the shadow committee to make this possible is Amy Hardy, office manager, Marianne Johnson and Spencer Banzhaf.

12. Announcement of the 2020 conference location (Marcel Boumans)

The 2020 conference will be held in Utrecht, the Netherlands. The conference will be lovely. It is very easy to get to Utrecht, which is only 30 minutes by train from Amsterdam Schiphol. The conference will take place from June 18 to 21, 2020.

13. New Business and Announcements

Announcement – Latin American History of Economics Society conference submissions are open until end of June. The conference will take place in Brazil in November.