

June 17, 2022  
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Schulze Hall Auditorium, University of St. Thomas  
Minneapolis, MN, USA

## June 2022 Business Meeting Agenda

1. President's welcome and overview of the agenda (Ross Emmett)
  - a. Introduction of new members of the executive committee and thanks to out-going members. Welcome Carlos Eduardo Suprinyak (Secretary) and Sandra Peart (at-large member).
  - b. Thanks to Humberto Barreto for steering the SHOE list through recent disruptions on the York University hosting service.

2. Approval of minutes from 2020 (Marianne Johnson)

Approved, no changes.

3. Outgoing Secretary's Report (Marianne Johnson)

Membership numbers are back to pre-pandemic levels. We continue to look for archival documents from the Society's early years. We have decided to discontinue the HES cocktail reception at ASSA this year.

4. Treasurer's Report (John Berdell)

While the Society has had extra resources for some time, we now seem to have reached a limit and need to carefully consider trade-offs. First time we have put together a prospective budget, including some important expenditure cuts: SSRN eJournal, ASSA reception, conference subsidy. There were no problems with last year's budget, but moving forward things look a bit different.

Questions from the floor on decision to discontinue the SSRN eJournal. A useful service to the community but costly and run by a for-profit editorial house. Society should consider alternative models to fill this gap. Preferably something open source and free to access.

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

We have approved to renew our contract with Cambridge University Press. Important discussion about moving to an open access model in the coming years. This will happen through transformative agreements, which are cheaper than traditional Article Processing Charges. Open questions are when this should happen, and how it would affect our revenue.

Printing and mailing costs have gone up. We have decided to increase the membership fee with a sizable discount for those who opt out of print copies. We will no longer be sending complimentary copies to authors either.

Executive Committee has agreed to extend current editors' term extended by two years to steer the journal through the HES 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. Catherine Herfeld put together a new book review advisory board, more diverse in many dimensions. New editorial assistant recently brought on board. Preparations for 3<sup>rd</sup> JHET Online Writing Workshop now underway.

6. Vice President's Report (Maria Pia Paganelli)

We received an unusually large number of submissions for the ASSA sessions, which made for a difficult decision. Decided to favor sessions co-sponsored with other societies, special commemorations, and topics that could attract broader audiences.

7. President's Report (Ross Emmett)

Now that presidential terms are longer, according to the revised HES Constitution, presidents have more leeway to plan conferences. Next year's conference will be in Vancouver, in a downtown location. We are planning event related to the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Adam Smith.

8. SHOE Report (Humberto Barreto)

We are experiencing some problems with the SHOE list archives after the York University server migration. Otherwise, the list remains in good shape.

9. Social Media Report (Valentina Erasmo)

Very good data on all social media platforms. Website updated and running well.

10. Old Business

President presents the latest revised version of the Code of Conduct, approved by the Executive Committee. We plan to appoint an Ombudsperson to identify resources and institute processes, but otherwise without decision-making authority. Questions from the floor on how to make the process feel welcoming to members of the Society who may have suffered some offense. This is one area in which the Ombudsperson may be helpful.

11. New Business

Vice-President informs members of the locations chosen for the next two conferences: Santiago in 2024 and Richmond, Virginia in 2025. There are no specific dates yet.