

CANE Executive Committee Meeting
Saturday, 15 September 2007
The Rivers School

Members in Attendance: Shirley Lowe, John McVey, Donna Lyons, Ruth Breindel, Ed DeHoratius, Lydia Haile Fassett, Jere Mead, Mike Girard, Lydia Batten, Emil Peñarubia, Jacqui Carlon, Roger Travis, John Higgins, Mark Pearsall, Robin Colby, Sally Morris, Kat Braden, Rosemary A. Zurawel

Agenda:

President Shirley Lowe called the meeting to order at 9:37 AM and welcomed new members Robin Colby, Mike Girard, and returning members, Jacqui Carlon and Jere Mead.

1. Announcements by the President:

- ⇒ Mary Papoutsy has invited members of the Executive Committee to attend the John Rouman Lecture series at UNH with Michael Wood as the guest lecturer during the week of October 22-26. She was especially hoping for an Executive Committee member to sit at the head table at the banquet. Rosemary Zurawel offered to serve as the CANE Representative.
- ⇒ CANE will support with \$250.00 one of the after-event receptions.
- ⇒ Stephen Brunet has informed CANE that the Latin Placement Service will terminate operations this fall. The ACL website has made this service redundant.
- ⇒ Shirley Lowe requested names for this year's Barlow-Beach award.
- ⇒ Shirley Lowe read a letter from ACTFL re: Mark Pearsall's nomination. As ACTFL was looking for a person from higher education at this time, it was suggested that Mark's name be put forth when a secondary person can fill the spot.
- ⇒ Thank you letters have been sent to departing Executive Committee members Gil Lawall and Ellen Perry. Robert Wilhelm has been thanked for his donation of copper plates (see below), and Nina Coppolino was applauded for her first edition of NECJ.

2. Announcements by the Executive Secretary- Members were asked to verify current email addresses and phone numbers. Also that the new on-line version of *Canens*, is a "stunner." Members of the Executive Committee concurred. Jacqui Carlon urged us to be certain that archived issues are kept safe. Emil Peñarubia will update. Ruth Breindel will continue to send out postcards for this first year of the online newsletter. John McVey distributed the updated Manual, requesting that the members of the Executive Committee send him edits and suggestions.

3. Reports:

Treasurer- Ruth told the members that the CSI report is not final due to some billing that has not yet arrived from Dartmouth. We have dropped *Omnibus* due to its overseas costs. NECJ money is from selling back issues to libraries. The Greek award is going nicely, and awardees have become members of CANE. The transfer of funds from Instructional materials helped increase the balance. A new publisher (Belmont Printing) might keep the increased costs of our *Annual Bulletin* this year down to a reasonable level and would print the names on the Bulletin.

Curator- The annual report was sent to the Auditors. Everything balanced, and the accountant has the report. All funds are up in value. Total for the Endowment and Coulter stands at over \$1 million.

CEUs- Annually, Donna Lyons must remind everyone that the CEU logo be placed on every piece of paper that is for professional credit including brochures, CSI, and the Annual Meeting workshops and sessions. All presenters must submit a CV. Donna made her annual please for someone to replace her.

ACTFL Report- Mark Pearsall distributed his report and noted that the annual Convention and Exhibition in San Antonio, TX 15-18 November 2007.

State Representatives-

Ruth asked all State Reps. to send her lists of state memberships.

Connecticut- Mark Pearsall reported that the first meeting is set for next week. The Annual Meeting will be once more hosted by the Classical Magnet School in Hartford, CT. (See Mark;s Report for inclusion here).

Vermont- Latin Day was in April, and about 1,000 students attended. It's a half-day event, but well attended. 13 April 2008 this year. The Vermont Classical Association will meet in October, 2007, and will discuss the new program for 2008.

Massachusetts- Emil Peñarubia 26 & 27 October 2007 will be MAFLA Day. He hopes that there will be many great Writing Contest entries from Massachusetts this year. He has put a Writing Contest link on the *Canens* page. A reminder that all top papers from each state will be sent (preferably as PDF files) to President-Elect, Roger Travis.

Rhode Island- This year, there will be more Certamen going on.

Maine- Bowdoin will host the annual meeting of MCA. Jill Crooker will again present a session on AP Latin. They will continue with Certamen in November.

Scholarship Committee- All reports and photos are set to be placed on *Canens*. This is a Poggioli year. Ed DeHoratius has made up an application form for the Thomas and Eleanor Means Fund, which is intended for a high school student who would participate in a European/Classical summer trip with this assistance. 1 December 2007 is the deadline for applications for this fund whereas other funding through this committee will keep a 1 February 2008 deadline. State Representatives are asked to mention this at their fall meetings.

4. **JStor Update-** Ruth reported that the Executive Committee that this plan is finally set up. We are the first “non-bricks and mortar” place to subscribe. She has had about 70 requests for access, with a continuing trickle daily. So far, she believes it is a success. It will now cost us \$1250.00 per year, and she believes that it is fulfilling a need from the membership. She has now received a contact from ARTstor that is an online database of pictures. A two-week trial offer is available, and she will await emails expressing interest. She believes that JStor is a wonderful marketing tool. Call Ruth for the access code for CANEweb and JStor. We will keep up this service for three years. Ruth also distributed a request from *Perficit, A Journal of Humanistic Studies* in Salamanca, to be included in CANE's exchange of journal subscriptions. She will reply that we are not interested at this time.

5. **Copper Plate Progress-** Donna presented a concise history of the gift to CANE of the copperplates. CANE paid a modest amount for storage and shipping to Bob Wilhelm who donated these to CANE. She has met with a printer who made prints of 8 plates, and who said that they are worth a “huge amount” of money. Donna recommends that we have these printed as note cards. We would like to see if we can get these into the hands of teachers. To take each of the 226 plates and make a run, would cost less than a dollar apiece. Card sets would cost about \$2.00 each, or 10 in a set for \$12.00. She hopes to have some images available for the Annual Meeting in 2008. Donna suggested that we might sell a CD with all 226 images for \$25.00 is another way to recapture our costs and to share with the members of CANE. Our goals are to preserve this heritage and to get the images into the hands of teachers. There was much discussion of copyright law, and the responsibility to adhere to the law.

6. **Three anticipated changes to the By-Laws which will be published in NECJ in the fall:**

ARTICLE IV.
Section 1.

For three years, renewable upon nomination and appropriate subsequent action of the Executive Committee: Auditors; Delegates/Representatives to regional and national associations.

For one year, renewable upon nomination and appropriate subsequent action of the Executive Committee: Director-Elect, Director, and Immediate Past Director of the CANE Summer Institute.

For terms determined by State organizations, representatives shall also serve on the Membership Committee.

7. Annual Meeting 2008 Update- Shirley Lowe reported that Roger, Ruth and she had met at Conn. College with Roger Moorton to set final details in June. We need to meet as an Exec. Com. From 4-7 on 13 March. Richard Moorton will present a lecture that night at 7:30 a lecture on Eugene O'Neil and his relationship with the Classics. Shirley has emailed local members with a request for student entertainment. One suggestion has come her way from Paula Chabot. The banquet will be a buffet. Box lunches on Saturday will be available. So far, there are three papers and two workshops on the list. We should break even with 200 attendees. She is hoping for sponsorships (a break costs \$350.00, wine costs \$600.00, and breakfast costs about \$1,000.00). Shirley presented a proposed price list, showing a modest increase in the costs for the Annual Meeting.

8. Annual Meeting 2009 UMB- Jacqui Carlon reported that the Campus Center will be the location for the Annual Meeting. It is "spectacular" with windows facing Dorchester Bay, and will be a great facility for us. It will cost about \$5,000.00 for facilities with no per person fee. She hopes for some subvention from the Admissions Office. She believes that the Boston location will bring in about 300 people. She plans to "lock in" costs with the caterers. Doubletree Bayside is adjacent to the campus (an easy walk) with a rate of \$129.00 per night for a single or double, and will continue that rate for the weekend. It is on the Red Line, and there is a free shuttle downtown. 19, 20, 21 March 2009. The Executive Committee authorized Jacqui to block 100 rooms for the Friday night and 50 for Thursday night. Ruth Briendel has proposed hosting the 2010 Annual Meeting at Moses Brown School in Providence, Rhode Island.

9. Hotel and Registration Costs for Annual Meeting- John McVey resumed the conversation by directing us to the Manual, page 51. Roger Travis moved that CANE subvene the costs of Executive Committee members' attendance at the Annual Meeting upon request when other sources are not available to cover such expenses. Seconded by Jacqui Carlon. Two members were opposed, with the remaining members of the Committee supporting the motion. The Executive Committee will examine this topic in a year. Roger Travis moved that the language concerning the maximum amount (de facto \$200.00) per year, be removed from the Manual.

10. Educational Programs Funding- Kat Braden reported that one official request for funding from Maine Classical Association for \$200.00 for the fall program. The Governor of NH has proclaimed Classics Week from 22- 26 October 2007. She discussed further the Virgilian Society and its need for funding, the repair of the roof, the short-term nature of the lease of the Villa at Cuma, and the problem that they do not currently grant of CEUs or graduate credit. She also reported that Alexander McKay had recently passed away.

11. CSI Redux- John Higgins was unable to make a more clear report on the bottom line of the CSI funds for the past year. There were 79 participants this year (2007). John announced, "Revolution and Reaction: Radical Changes and Continuities in the Ancient World" will be the theme of 2008. The dates will be 7-12 July 2008. Professor Margaret Graver of Dartmouth College, has agreed to be the Director of CSI 2009. John distributed a list of possible courses and

lectures for the CSI 2008. From the list, it was evident that many lecturers and instructors were already committed. Roger Travis moved to accept the theme and dates; seconded by Jere Mead. Passed unanimously. Roger Travis then moved that we appoint Margaret Graver as Director-Elect; seconded by Sally Morris. During discussion, it was pointed out that she was no longer a member of CANE. John reported that she had expressed an affection for CANE. She is a regular presenter at the CSI, and serves on the CSI Steering Committee. There were two abstentions and the rest voted to appoint her. The CSI Director's stipend is set at \$2500.00, yet John had been led to understand that the Director needed to ask for funds to cover the Directorship, since the Manual states that the Director may ask for "up to \$2,500.00." He felt uncomfortable with that language. Discussion followed regarding the history of CSI having run with a great deficit. A motion to withdraw the motion to remove "up to" from the wording in the Manual was withdrawn by Jere Mead and Roger Travis. A discussion of the need for the Steering Committee to submit a budget to the Executive Committee returned the group to the Manual. Roger Travis moved that we strike the wording, "up to \$2500" and "\$2000" from the Manual, page 45, paragraph 6. Sec/1 Abstention, all others in favor of the motion. Jere Mead moved to add to paragraph 7, page 45 "including the stipend for the Director, the amount of which shall be determined by the Executive Committee at its September meeting." Seconded by Roger Travis. All in favor, but with 1 abstention. Jacqui Carlon moved that we set the stipend for the Director of the CSI 2008 at \$2500.00. All in favor, with one abstention.

12. Canens Update- Emil Peñarubia noted that the site now permits him to put up photos and text within seconds of receiving electronic information. Please send material in the body of an email, rather than as an attachment. The cost of this format is \$0.00, whereas the paper copy was \$1,000.00 per issue.

13. CANE Instructional Materials Progress- John McVey took over before 1 July 2007. We will purchase ISBN numbers for every book that will be published in a paperback format. We will move towards paying royalties for the work that authors do. John reported that he is at the Post Office once or twice a week. He is moving the work to an online status. With ISBN numbers, we will be linked to Amazon. The cost of the books will go up, but not significantly. The laborious aspect of the position will diminish. The most exciting thing for him is soliciting material from writers. He hopes by the spring that everything will be in "the online universe." He will be providing some old copies of pamphlets at the annual meeting as gifts.

14. Four Meetings of the Executive Committee- This decision was passed at the May, 2007 Meeting. We set the date for 3 May 2008 at Rivers School. Our next meeting will be 2 February 2008, also at Rivers School. Roger Travis did voice a concern about having a fourth meeting in May at a time in his academic life when he is in the midst of exams. Sally Morris noted that Saturday meetings are going to be difficult for Boarding School faculty members, and especially for those who coach. Ruth noted the big nature of a commitment that being on the Executive Committee.

15. Old Business: Donna requested that prior to the budget meeting in February, that everyone examine materials that she shall send out with this year's funds.

16. New Business: Jacqui Carlon reported that she has been contacted by teachers re: PDPs, and the Department at UMass Boston is considering offering Saturday Seminars with a scholarly morning session followed by lunch and then a pedagogical workshop in the afternoon. She is hoping to forge a partnership with CANE in order to keep costs manageable, pay stipends, and eventually become self-sustaining. There was general enthusiasm to reading a proposal. John Higgins presented flyers to all members for the Phinney Fellowship. Shirley Lowe asked for nominations for the positions opening

The meeting adjourned with unanimous consent at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rosemary A. Zurawel, Executive Secretary