# Minutes of the CIESC/SCECI Annual General Meeting Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, ON Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Chair: Marianne Larsen, President

# 1) Welcome and Attendance

At 11:35 am, Marianne welcomed the members and called the meeting to order. An attendance sheet was circulated and the following members signed in:

#	Name	Student/Regular	Institution
1	Paul Carr	Regular	Lakehead
2	Gina Thésée	Regular	UQAM
3	John Lundy	Regular	Laurentian
4	Shelane Jorgenson	Student	U of A
5	Cecille De Pass	Regular	U of C
6	Kumari Beck	Regular	SFU
7	Michael Cottrell	Regular	U of S
8	Nikki Forfar	Student	U of S
9	Yvette Daniel	Regular	U of Windsor
10	Michael O'Sullivan	Regular	Brock
11	Lynette Shultz	Regular	U of A
12	Kathy Bickmore	Regular	OISE/UT
13	Christine Cho	Regular	Trent
14	Linda Weber	Regular	Western
15	Xuemei Li	Regular	Memorial
16	Peter Joong	Regular	U of West Indies
17	Frank Deer	Regular	U of Manitoba
18	Ali Khorsandi-Taskoh	Student	Western
19	Yovita Gwekwerere	Regular	Laurentian
20	Yvonne Hébert	Regular	U of C
21	Ashley Pullman	Student	SFU
22	Marianne Larsen	Regular	Western
23	Steve Sider	Regular	WLU

# 2) Adoption of the Agenda

Moved: Larsen/Lundy

"To adopt the agenda."

Carried.

# 3) Adoption of the Minutes of the May 31, 2011 AGM

Moved: Larsen/Li

"To adopt the Minutes of the May 31, 2011 AGM."

Carried.

# 4) Matters Arising from the Minutes

Item 11 b) Website, Communications, Recruitment of New Members

Item 11 c) Role of Members at Large

Marianne provided a verbal update on these issues and will discuss them further in her President's Report.

# 5) Election Results – Nomination and Elections Committee

Following elections carried out by the nomination and elections committee, the new executive of the CIESC for 2012-2013 is:

Marianne Larsen, President

Nombuso Dlamini, Past-President

Lynette Shultz, Vice-President

Steve Sider, Secretary-Treasurer

Kathy Bickmore, Member-at-Large

Allyson Larkin, Member-at-Large, Graduate Student Representative

Gina Thésée, Member-at-Large

Melissa White, Member-at-Large

Marianne announced that two current Members-at-Large, Shelane Jorgenson and Grazia Scoppio, will continue for a one year term due to extenuating circumstances.

Marianne recognized the significant contributions of Kumari Beck and Paul Carr for their significant service to the CIESC.

# 6) President's Report: Marianne Larsen

Marianne reviewed her written report (attached). She highlighted the approved changes to the constitution as well as strategies (e.g. newsletter, updated web-site, recruitment of graduate students) that have been undertaken to increase membership.

Moved: De Pass/Hébert

"To accept the President's report."

Carried.

# 7) Secretary-Treasurer Report: Steve Sider

Steve reviewed the Treasurer's Report (attached). He highlighted that CIESC is moving in the right direction regarding balancing our revenues and expenses.

Moved: Sider/Cottrell

"To accept the Treasurer's Report."

Carried.

# 8) Program Chair's Report: Kumari Beck

Kumari presented the Program Chair's Report. She highlighted the pre-conference which was co-hosted with CSSHE and which was well received. She also referred to the Dean's accord on internationalization which has sought input from CIESC. Kumari previewed the potential of a pre-conference at next year's conference.

Moved: Beck/De Pass

"To accept the Program Chair's Report."

Carried.

# 9) WCCES Report: Lynette Shultz

Lynette provided a report on WCCES. She announced that next year (2013), the WCCES conference will be held in Argentina. The new Secretary-General is Diane Napier. The AFRICE: Africa for Research in Comparative Education joined WCCES as a new society (first conference, March 2013).

#### 10) Awards

The two winners of the 2011 Michel Laferrière Research Award announced at our 2012 annual meeting are Musembi Nungu, University of Alberta for his Ph.D. dissertation entitled **Policy From Below: Foregrounding Teacher Experiences of Hardship in Remote Rural Secondary Schools in Kenya** and Maryam Nabavi of the University of British Columbia for her Ph.D dissertation entitled (Un)Learning Citizenship in Canada: Iranian Immigrant Youths' Silence, Contradictions, and Expressions

Paul Carr referred to a priority of CIESC of bringing greater attention to the awards we support. He also discussed a proposed new award in honour of David Wilson. A committee will develop the parameters for this award. Recipients of the awards will be recognized at the reception this evening.

# 11) CIE Journal Report: Marianne Larsen

Marianne reviewed the report of the CIE Journal editor (attached). Marianne thanked Suzanne Majhanovich for the excellent work she did as editor. Marianne also expressed appreciation to those on the past editorial board who have served faithfully. Marianne highlighted the new journal web-site. Journals dating from 2005 are available as pdf documents from the web-site. Issues back to 1994 will be available on-line in the future. Marianne also reviewed the financial statements of the journal. Marianne highlighted those support funds which are no longer going to be available. She also reviewed rationale for moving the journal on-line. Marianne encouraged members to consider submitting manuscripts (English, French) to the journal.

**Action Items:** 

Moved: Larsen/Li

"To accept the CIE Journal editor's report."

Carried.

The executive and editorial board supports the following motion:

Moved: Larsen/editorial board

"That the Canadian and International Education Journal discontinue print copies after Volume 41(2)."

Carried.

Moved: Larsen/Weber

"That Paul Carr and Gina Thésée be appointed as associate editors of the *Canadian and International Education / Éducation canadienne et international* journal."

Carried.

#### 12) Membership and Subscription Fees

Marianne raised the question with the membership regarding whether our CIESC fees are too high. In comparison to other associations, the membership fees for CIESC are significantly higher. There was a suggestion that we consider reducing the student fee for CIESC. The executive will take the ideas under advisement.

# 13) New Business

a) There is interest in co-hosting a pre-conference with CASIE (Canadian Association for the Study of Indigenous Education).

# b) Action Item

Moved: Thésée/Hébert

"To designate one of the CIESC Members-at-Large as a francophone representative."

# Carried.

c) Marianne distributed a motion that was made at the CSSE Board of Directors meeting regarding a study to examine having a stand-alone conference (apart from Congress). At the CSSE AGM next year in Victoria, a vote will be held on the motion. Marianne will keep the membership informed of on-going discussions.

# 14) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Minutes recorded by Steve Sider

# COMPARATIVE AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY OF CANADA (CIESC) PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012

# 1) EXECUTIVE (2011/2012)

The CIESC Executive for 2011/2012 was comprised of: Marianne Larsen (Western University Ontario) as President, Nombuso Dlamini (York U) as Past-President, Lynette Shultz (U of Alberta) as VP, Steve Sider (Wilfrid Laurier U) as Secretary-Treasurer, Kumari Beck (Simon Fraser) as Member at Large/Program Chair; Paul Carr (Lakehead U) Member at Large/ Awards Committee; Shelane Jorgenson (U of Alberta) Member at Large/Student Representative and Grazia Scoppio (Cdn Defence Academy and Royal Military College) Member at Large/New Scholar Representative/Member Recruitment.

#### 2) EXECUTIVE MEETING – November 2011

The executive held a virtual meeting by teleconference on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011. All were present except for Nombuso Dlamini who sent her regrets. Marianne presented her report from the CSSE Meeting that had been held in Ottawa, Nov. 18-19<sup>th</sup>. We also discussed issues relating to communication and recruitment/outreach; membership; the CSSE conference, including the pre-conference; the CIE Journal; Awards; changes to our constitution and strategic planning.

# 3) CHANGES TO OUR CONSTITUTION

In December, 2011 CIESC members voted online to make the following changes (noted in yellow) to the CIESC Constitution:

#### ARTICLE II: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 2: The Executive shall consist of the following: President, Vice-President (shall shall normally be considered as President-Elect), Immediate Past-President, Secretary-Treasurer, one Member-at-Large (who shall normally be the Programme Chair). The Executive may co-opt 3 additional Members at Large.

- a. 3.1 The President shall chair the meetings of the Society and of the Executive, and shall submit a report at the Annual General Meeting. The President shall be responsible for promoting the Society, including the production of a newsletter for members.
- b. 3.2. The Vice-President shall chair the meetings of the Society and of the Executive, and shall submit a report at the Annual General Meeting. The Vice-President shall assist the President in her/his responsibilities.
- c. 3.d. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Society's records, receiving membership fees and other incomes to the Society, the payment of

- warrants against these moneys authorized by the President or Vice-President and shall submit a report at the Annual General Meeting.
- d. 3.e One Member-at-Large is to designated the Program Chair and is responsible for overseeing the development of the CIESC program at the annual CSSE conference.
- e. 3.f. If other Members-at-Large are co-opted by the Executive, they are to be assigned specific duties, including, but not limited to: Communications and Outreach; Student Representative; Student Awards Representative; and CSSE New Scholars Representative.

#### ARTICLE IV. PUBLICATIONS

Section 1: **Canadian and International Education** shall be the official *journal* of the society. It shall be the responsibility of the Editor, assisted by the Associate Editor and the Editorial Board appointed by the Executive for a 5 year term.

#### 4) GOALS: IMPROVING COMMUNICATION AND RECRUITMENT/OUTREACH.

I set two goals to address during my term: to improve communications and recruitment/ outreach. The intention is that improvements in these two areas will lead to an increase in membership. The following related initiatives have occurred to address these goals. We have revived a past tradition to mail out regular newsletters to members. (The fall issue one went out in October, 2011 and the winter issue in February, 2012. The spring issue will go out right after the CSSE conference.) We updated our membership list and our website. Our graduate student representative, Shelane Jorgansen, sent an email out to graduate students in universities across Canada explaining the benefits of belonging to CIESC and inviting them to become members. Grazia Scoppio, member at large/member recruitment, delivered a presentation about CIESC at Queen's University to promote the society.

#### 5) UPDATED CIESC WEBSITE

Our website has finally been updated: <a href="http://www.edu.uwo.ca/ciesc/">http://www.edu.uwo.ca/ciesc/</a> The website contains the minutes of our 2011 Annual General Meeting, our two newsletters (2011/2012); information about our awards and scholarships for 2012. These include the CIESC Graduate Student CSSE Conference Travel Award, the Douglas Ray Award for meritorious presentation by a graduate student at the CIESC Annual Conference, and the Michel Laferrière Research Awards to recognize meritorious research studies submitted in fulfillment of the requirements for a Master's or Doctoral degree.

#### 6) CANADIAN AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION JOURNAL

I also took on the role of Editor in Chief of our journal *Canadian and International Education*, in January 2012. Paul Carr and Gina Thésée are the new Francophone editors. See the editors' report on the journal for further details.

#### 7) CIESC AND THE CANADIAN COMMISSION FOR UNESCO

The president of CIESC is also the representative to the Canadian Commission for UNESCO. Last summer, I made contact with the Education Program Officer at UNESCO who informed me that the membership had already been updated and that we were to get in touch again next September to remind her of our interest.

# 8) NOMINATION FOR SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT (ANGLOPHONE) OF CSSE

In November, a number of CSSE members nominated Ali Abdi, University of Alberta, for the position of Second VP (Anglophone) of the CSSE. Ali is a past-President of CIESC.

# 9) NOMINATION AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

I followed procedures outlined in our constitution and chose a nomination and elections committee from amongst our membership in March. The committee was comprised of Vandra Masemann, Suzanne Majhanovich and Melissa White. A call for nominations went out in April. The committee presented the slate of candidates for the 4 Member-at-Large positions which needed to be filled. CIESC Members voted online and the results of the election are Kathy Bickmore, Member-at-Large; Allyson Larkin, Member-at-Large, Graduate Student Representative; Gina Thésée, Member-at-Large; and Melissa White, Member-at-Large.

Thank you both to all of those who put their names forward to serve on our executive and to the nomination and elections committee for carrying out the election.

Report submitted by Marianne A. Larsen, President, CIESC

#### CIESC/SCECI

# Treasurer's Report to the Annual General Meeting 2011-2012 Steve Sider, Ph.D.

#### 1. Overview

Overall, our financial resources continue to decline. We have approximately \$15,700 available (\$10,000 in GICs + \$5,730 in the bank). We had to cash one of our GICs (\$5,000) when it came due in August, 2011 to sustain our cash-flow needs in 2011.

# 2. Filing of Information (CRA), Banking Information

I submitted our financial statements to Canada Revenue Agency for the 2010 year and will submit the 2011 statements in June, 2012. We continue to have a Community Account with the Bank of Montreal and I currently have signing authority.

#### 3. Student Travel Grants

We provided travel grants to those who attended the 2011 Fredericton conference. We received 22 applications and we were able to provide 17 grants of either \$50 or \$75 (total of \$1050). Applicants were not awarded a grant if they had substantial other travel funds or were not presenting at CIESC. We only received four applications for travel grants prior to the 2012 conference in Waterloo.

# 4. Budget for 2012 and 2013

We have made some good effort to move toward a balanced budget. We did not receive a request to provide funds to the CIE Journal in 2011 which was a saving of \$2,000. This was largely off-set by the cost (\$1,600) of hosting a reception at the Comparative and International Education Society meeting in Montreal (May, 2011) although donations of \$600 helped with these costs. We have taken other steps to cut some expenses. These have included scaling back some of the expenses associated with the CIESC reception held at CSSE and hosting the Executive Committee meeting at the WLU Faculty of Education instead of at a restaurant.

We have a GIC coming due in August, 2012 (value of approx. \$5,000). Based on our current cash flow situation, we will re-invest the GIC with BMO.

#### 5. Concluding Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Treasurer in 2011-2012 for CIESC/SCECI. I look forward to continuing this service in this current year.

Steve R. Sider, Ph.D., May 28, 2012

Comparative and International Education Society of Canada (CIESC/SCECI)

# Financial Statements Information for the Annual General Meeting (May 29, 2012)

Fiscal Period Ending December 31, 2011 Steve Sider, Ph.D. – Treasurer

# **Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

Assets

**Current Assets** 

Bank Balance \$ 5,731.56

**Long-term Assets** 

Bank GICs \$ 9,727.59<sup>1</sup>

**Total** \$16,512.14

Liabilities

**Current Liabilities** \$0

**Long-term Liabilities** \$0

Total \$0

<sup>1</sup> GIC \$4000 (issued Aug 17, 2007 – matures Aug 17, 2012 – currently 5.25%) GIC \$5000 (issued Aug 12, 2010 – matures Aug 12, 2015 – currently 1.75%) **Statement of Revenue and Expenditures** 

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures			
REVENUE	2010	2011	2012
	FOR	(Jan. 1-Dec.	ANTICIPATED
	COMPARISON	31)	
		FOR CRA	
CSSE Transfer	3,675	$4,000^2$	4,000
(Membership Fees)			
Bank Interest	0.05	0.15	0
Investment Income	538.84	553.47	400
(GICs)			
Donations Received	0	$600^3$	0
Pre-Conference	0	840	1,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	4,213.89	5,543.62	5,400

EXPENSES			
CIE Journal Expenses	2,000	0	0
Awards	0	500	400
Student Travel Grant	1,000	1,075	700
CIES Reception	0	1,618.68	0
CSSE Conference	2,311.72	2,533.23 <sup>4</sup>	2,500
Expenses			
Pre-Conference	0	5	1,200
Exec Committee Expenses	400	460.42	200
Miscellaneous	20	0	0
WCCES Expenses	0	400	400
<b>Total Expenses</b>	5,731.72	6,587.33	5,400

TOTALS			
Total Revenue	4,213.89	5,543.62	5,400
Total Expenses	5,731.72	6,587.33	5,400
Rev Over or ( <b>Under</b> ) Exp	(1,517.83)	(1,043.71)	0

Signature, Treasurer:	Steve R. Sider, Ph.D.
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Salaried 5 X \$20 = \$100.00

International 4 X \$40 = \$160.00 TOTAL 134 members = \$4,000.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Regular 62 X \$40 = \$2,480.00 Student 60 X \$20 = \$1,200.00 Retired 3 X \$20 = \$60.00

<sup>\*</sup>These are numbers from Tim Howard, no cheque has yet been received for 2011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Received for the CIES reception (Montreal)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> CSSE conference expenses are paid out in the year following the conference – i.e. the fees for 2011 are paid in 2012 when the bill is received (as of May 28, 2012 no invoice for 2011 yet received)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> We have not yet received the breakdown for the 2011 conference and pre-conference so the \$2,5033.23 includes expenses associated with both

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANADIAN AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION JOURNAL May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012

By Suzanne Majhanovich (past editor), Marianne A. Larsen (Editor in Chief) and Paul R. Carr and Gina Thésée (Francophone Editors)

#### A. NEW EDITORS AND EDITORIAL BOARD

We begin with thanking Suzanne Majhanovich who ended her tenure as editor on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 after serving in this position for 6 years. The new editors are Marianne Larsen (Editor in Chief) and Paul R. Carr and Gina Thésée (Francophone Editors) who were appointed by the CIESC executive and began their term as editors in January 2012.

We would also like to thank our previous editorial board members: Vandra Masemann, Peter Fan, and Deo Poonwassie, who have served the journal so well for many years as editorial board members. We have a new editorial board, which was also appointed by the CIESC executive for a 3 year term. The new members are Kathy Bickmore, Wendy Bokhurst-Heng, Michael Cottrell, Yvette Daniel, Mark Evans, Lucy Karanja, Xuemei Li, Linyuan Guo, Shibao Guo, Suzanne Majhanovich, Lorna McLean, Donatille Mujawamariya, Dalene Swanson, and George Zhou. Thanks to all of those individuals who have agreed to serve in this position. They will be meeting at the CSSE conference on Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. for their first meeting.

#### **B. NEW WEBSITE**

New website – This year we developed a new website for the journal. The address is: <a href="http://ir.lib.uwo.ca/cie-eci/">http://ir.lib.uwo.ca/cie-eci/</a>

Hosting the journal on Scholarship@Western does not incur any financial charge and yields these benefits for us:

- Custom-designed journal site: The library hired a technology company in California to design the journal site. They provide us with regular online support.
- Streamlined editorial management: The publishing system (Digital Commons) will provide the editors with a password-protected online environment to manage the editorial workflow.
- Higher visibility and findability: The system ensures that published articles are readily findable by search engines and come as high up as possible in the search results.
- Higher impact and more recognition: As our articles are more easily accessible, more people are
  able to read them and potentially cite them. This in turn helps us generate higher impact for
  the articles and more recognition of our authors.
- Download statistics: The new system allows us to track downloads of published articles and send authors download statistics of their articles.

Currently, all issues back to 2005 (Volumes 34 to 40) are scanned and available on the website. Only subscribers have access to the most current issue as we have a 365 embargo on articles. We have also scanned most of the issues in Volumes 23 (1994) to 33 (2004) and are in the process of putting these up on our website.

# C. SUBSCRIPTIONS

We currently have 90 institutional and 132 individual CIESC members/subscribers, for a total of 222 subscriptions.

We use the services of EBSCO, SWETS and Harrassowitz, which collect institutional subscription fees on our behalf. Here is the breakdown of institutional subscriptions:

EBSCO (68)

**SWETS** (14)

Other/Harrassowitz (8)

We also send complimentary copies to authors and book reviewers if they are not members of CIESC, to Hong Kong and to Queen's Universities (former publishers), to comparative and international education societies in France and in Japan, to the National Archives in Ottawa, as well as to certain individuals (such as Western University Dean of the Faculty of Education). Therefore, our print run is usually 275 copies.

D. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – 30 May 2012

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### **ASSETS**

TD Canada Trust - \$5,939.19 Western University Faculty of Education = \$2000 Petty Cash = \$254 TOTAL = \$8223.19

#### LIABILITIES

Current liabilities \$0 Long-term liabilities \$0 TOTAL = \$0

2011 Financial Report – 30 May 2012

REVENUE	2011 January –Dec.	January – May 30 <sup>th</sup> ,	January – December,
	31 <sup>st</sup> , 2011	2012	2012 FORECAST
Western U Faculty of	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$2000
Education			
Scholarly Journals	\$1500	0	0
Fund (Western U)			
Special Issue	\$3250 (McGill U for	\$2500 (U of Calgary	\$3000 (possibly some
additional funding	issue no. 2)	for issue 2)	\$ for issue 3?)
Subscriptions	\$4500	\$1652.00 (cheques	??
	(approx. 90 X \$50)	r'cd but not cashed)	
EXPENSES			
French Translation	\$750 (\$250/issue x 3)	0	\$750 (\$250/issue x 3)
Formatting	\$2550	0	\$2550

	(\$850/issue x 3)		(\$850/issue x 3)
Printing	\$7500(\$2000 for 2 issues + \$2500 for special issue no. 2)	0	\$4000 <sup>6</sup>
Postage	\$3000 (\$1000/issue x 3)	0	\$2000 7
TOTALS			
Total Revenue	\$14,250		
Total Expenses	\$13,800		
Rev Over of ( <b>Under</b> )	\$450		
Expenses			

# Financial Forecast

Over the last 3 years (2008-2011), we received \$3000/year from the Scholarly Journal Fund at Western University. That money is no longer available to us.

We have enjoyed the generous support of the Western University Faculty of Education since the journal has been housed there in 2005. We received \$5000/year up until 2009 and \$2000/year after that. The current Dean, while very supportive of the journal, cannot commit any more than \$2000 for this current year (2012) and we will not likely receive any further funding from the Faculty of Education from now on.

We continue to receive institutional subscriptions, but have not received any money from CIESC since 2009. If we continue with printing and mailing out issues, we will likely require funding from CIESC membership fees. This is money we should have been receiving over the years given that membership fees include a subscription to the journal.

Other potential funding sources: We applied for a SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Journals Grant in 2010, but we were unsuccessful. The purpose of that grant is to increase access to, and readership for, original research results in the social sciences and humanities through Canadian scholarly journals. We could apply for that grant again in 2013, but wouldn't receive funding until 2014.

# Cost Implications of continuing to print journal

After we pay our expenses for printing the June issue, we will have \$2000 in our bank account. We would have to raise subscription and postage fees to cover the costs associated with producing, printing and mailing out copies of the journal. As well, we would expect CIESC to provide us with regular financial support from membership fees, which has not been the regular practice over the last couple of vears. 8 Given the financial status of the CIESC and the journal, we believe that continuing to print and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This is assuming we do not print or mail out issue 3 (December 2012).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> There is one exception. In 2009, CIESC provided the journal with \$2000.

mail out copies of the journal is unsustainable. As well, there are other (non-financial) reasons, in my mind, for us to move to an online format:

- Online journals allow for much greater dissemination of knowledge. If we want to promote the work of our authors, then I think we can do that better through becoming an open access journal. We currently only provide CIESC members and subscribers to access to the current volume (year) of journal articles. This 12 month embargo is an incentive for others to subscribe to our journal. After 12 months, an issue becomes available to anyone with internet access.
- 2) The time and energy that is involved in organizing the printing and mailing out of the issues is beyond the capacity of the Editor in Chief who is excited about her new position, but doesn't feel it is a good use of her time and energy to be doing this kind of work.

# E. SUBMISSIONS

In 2011, we had 6 articles in volume 40:1 including one French article; 8 articles in the special issue on Contemporary Issues in Diversity and Education, volume 40:2 (including an Introduction and Conclusion) with one French article; and 6 articles in 40:3 including one article in French. In total there were 26 manuscripts submitted and 5 rejections based on feedback from peer reviewers.

Here is a summary of plans for the 3 issues to go out in 2012 (volume 41).

Volume 41, no. 1 will be mailed out in June. This will be the first issue edited by Marianne Larsen, Paul Carr and Gina Thésée. There are 5 articles and 2 book reviews.

Volume 41, no. 2 will be mailed out in September. It is a special issue entitled *Spotlight on China: Teaching under China's Market Economy* with guest editors Shibao Guo & Yan Guo, University of Calgary. There will be 5 articles and one commentary, as well as the guest editor's introduction. The University of Calgary is providing \$2000 towards printing and postage costs for this special issue.

Volume 41, no. 3 will be available in December. It is a special issue based on a symposium entitled *Theorizing International Education: (Shifting) Contexts, Concepts, Methods*, with guest editors Paul Tarc and Julie Byrd-Clark. There will be 4 articles with a commentary by the keynote speakers, Jane Kenway, as well as the guest editor's introduction.

We currently have 17 manuscripts in our online journal submission database. So far in 2012, we have rejected 5 manuscripts, based on feedback from peer reviewers. 10 of those submissions are for the 2 special issues that are slated for September and December 2012. That means currently we actually only have 7 manuscripts under review for 2013.

#### F. FRENCH SUBMISSIONS

We only had 1 French manuscript submitted since January 2012 and it was rejected after having been blind reviewed. Over the past 5 years, we have generally had one French article in each issue (with the exception of special issues). We want to encourage scholars, researchers, graduate students and others in the field to consider submitting their manuscripts in French for future issues. The interplay between English-language and French-language texts is an important component of the work of the CIESC, and we believe that as a Canadian academic society this bilingual component will have a very positive impact on our work in comparative and international education. We have plans to publish a joint issue

with the French journal *Education Comparée* edited by Régis Malet in 2013 on the topic of comparative education methodologies and how they differ between Europe and North America.

# G. REVIEWERS

All manuscripts go through a double-blind peer review process. We have worked very hard over the past 6 months to increase our number of reviewers. We currently have 112 reviewers in our online journal database. However, we still need more French reviewers. Each article is sent out to 2 reviewers for blind review. Once a reviewer accepts our invitation to review a manuscript, they have 30 days to complete the review. In general, we are finding that decisions are made on manuscripts in approximately 60 days. We thank all of those who have served as reviewers over the past year.

#### H. INDEXING

We are currently indexed through Canadian Education Index and the Sociology of Education Abstracts. However, we recognize the need to increase our visibility and impact by having our journal listed under more relevant academic article databases. We are therefore in the process of signing an agreement with Proquest to have them index our journal.

# I. ARCHIVES

Vandra Masemann kindly donated her collection of print copies of the journal for our archives. We have all back issues of the journal dating to volume 1 (1972) except for: 6.1, 7.1, 13.2, 16.1, 20.1, 22.1, 27.1, 38.1 (2009), 40.2 (2011). We would most appreciate if anyone has these copies and would like to donate them to our archives. This will enable us to scan our entire collection and post online on our website.

#### I. STRATEGIC PLANNING

The new editorial board has been asked to begin a process of strategic planning, looking closely at our existing mandate and proposing changes.