

CSDH/SCHN Minutes 5 October 2017, 9:30-10:30 EST

Present: Jason Boyd, Susan Brown, Constance Crompton, Dominic Forest, Arun Jacob, Diane Jakacki, Kim Martin, Brent Nelson, John Simpson

Regrets: Laura Gerlitz, Daniel O'Donnell, Milena Radzikowska

1. Approval of Agenda (approved)
2. Approval minutes of July 7 AGM meeting (approved): <http://csdh-schn.org/wp-content/uploads/minutes-CSDH-SCHN-2017-July-7.pdf>
3. DHSI travel bursary proposal from Ray Siemens (circulated by email)
 - a. We agreed to support the proposed travel bursary in honour of Patricia Clement in principle ("in-name support") and will consider any financial requests if they come.
 - b. Brent will reply to Ray's request to this effect.
4. Inquiry from Sam McLean asking whether the Society would be interested in partnering on a crowd-sourcing project being planned by the Canadian Nautical Research Society (circulated by email)
 - a. We discussed the proposal but agree this is beyond our mandate.
 - b. Susan will write back to communicate this.
5. Report and next steps arising from a meeting at DH2017 regarding pedagogical initiatives in Canada related to DH (Kim, Diane, John)
 - a. Kim will compose a blog post report on the results of this lively consultation.
 - b. The general conclusion: we need separate working groups, rather than making training an initiative run by the Society executive.
6. Graduate student initiative: a graduate student conference on Digital Scholarship at McMaster timed between DH workshops in Guelph and Congress in Regina in May 2018 (Arun)
 - a. Conference would help the community building effort underway among graduate students working in digital studies.
 - b. There were some concern expressed about diverting graduate student interest in Regina. This could be offset by offering travel funding to conference, drawing from funds our considerable graduate student travel fund (bumped up with funds transferred from GRAND's dissolution devolved to CSDH to support).
 - c. CSDH/SCHN would welcome application for some funds to support the initiative.
7. Review [position inventory](#) (Susan)
 - a. We updated the people and dates associated with our positions inventory.
 - b. We discussed the website committee composition.
 - c. Dominic agreed to chair the website committee and assign members of the executive specific responsibilities related to their duties.
8. Publication of papers from Congress (Kim)
 - a. Presented the idea to publish the best of the graduate student papers.
 - b. Discussed options ranged from a more concentrated effort to target graduate students for the regular proceedings published in DS/CN to a separate publication in a different venue.
 - c. Dominic will bring it up at the next board meeting of DS/CN.
9. Congress finance update (Jason)
 - a. ~\$10,000 made at Congress, ~\$6,400 spent
 - b. Currently at a ~\$3,500 surplus with a few things to come in and out
 - c. Grad Student travel stipends given out totalled ~\$12,500.
10. Web and social media committee

- a. Need to update Executive Council page (e.g., replace Michael Ulliyot with Jason Boyd)
 - b. Connie will update council page (just once!)
- 11. Anything for the website?
 - a. Student blog posts from Congress (Kim)
- 12. Update on Compute Canada: input regarding DH support (John)
 - a. H/SS folks at CC are looking for things to do.
 - b. Two ideas:
 - i. Short (30-60 seconds) videos on DH folk in Canada working with CC
 - ii. Short (30-60 seconds) videos on 'how-tos' with CC tools or digital methods
 - 1. How do you run a server from your desktop?
 - 2. How do you troubleshoot a VPN?
 - 3. Web DAV server for Zotero
- 13. Forming the 2018 Program Committee (Connie)
 - a. Connie will send content around before next meeting
 - b. Dominic will help Connie with this
- 14. Naylor Report Update (Connie)
 - a. Connie and Dominic will chat about getting Francophone participants
- 15. Compute Canada DHSI2018 Scholarships
 - a. Competition will likely open within the next two weeks
 - b. Thinking about dropping the pairing between a CC staff person and a research community member
 - c. Courses that could be chosen would be limited to a few CC courses that may need some seeding or a boost
- 16. Next meeting: Thursday, Oct. 5 @ 9:30 EST