

# News and Comment

## Editor's Report

I hope you all had a good time in Pittsburgh. James Albisetti and the program committee assembled a stellar program, with a strong international flavor.

I am pleased to announce that the HES Board of Directors has extended my editorship until June 15, 2006. While I am grateful for this support, this honor really reflects the good work and wonderful devotion of this journal's staff, Bruce Nelson, Phyllis Kendziorski, Jason Reuscher, and Erik Nelson; the sound counsel of the Associate Editors; the valuable expertise of the Editorial Board; the faith of the HES membership; and the generous institutional subsidy of Slippery Rock University.

The *History of Education Quarterly* has experienced yet another outstanding year. We received 93 manuscript submissions in calendar year 2002. Volume 42 contained 13 articles, 1 Presidential Address, 5 essay reviews, and 61 book reviews. We continued to rely on a broad definition of education, address historical analyses treating the concepts of race, and gender, and embrace international and comparative studies. Finally, Volume 43 will devote a special issue to the history of Asian-American education, while the commemorative issue for the *Brown* decision progresses.

Since 1997, we have systematically moved the journal into the digital age to facilitate the dissemination of the literature in our field as well as expose our work to a larger audience. We embarked, first, on the creation of both HES and HEQ websites. We continue to revise these on a regular basis; we especially welcome your suggestions. Second, a couple of years ago and with our approval, ABC-CLIO began to include digitized annotations of *HEQ*'s articles; thus, eliminating the need for a decennial index. Third, I negotiated a contract with JSTOR which, with the approval of the HES Board of Directors, began to provide over forty years of back issues on-line on July 1, 2002, six months ahead of schedule; this archive even includes the *Quarterly*'s predecessor, *History of Education Journal*. Fourth, beginning with Volume 43, Issue 1, (sometime in March of 2003) current issues of *HEQ* will be available on-line through the History Cooperative; this service will be cross-referenced as well with JSTOR. This prestige of this journal, which reflects our valued scholarship, generated the "invitations" from JSTOR and the History Cooperative.

A highly experienced staff continues to toil for *HEQ*. Bruce Nelson continued his full-time responsibilities as Managing Editor; Phyllis Kendziorski, Jason Rausch, and Erik Nelson fulfilled their duties of maintaining individual memberships and institutional subscriptions; responding to claims; mailing off-prints; revising the website; checking citations; filing copyright forms; mailing books to reviewers; pursuing past copyright agreements; updating the HES e-mail list; and cross reading page proofs. Laurie Moses

Hines has joined us to compile a new section, "Briefly Noted," that summarizes the books we receive but do not fully review.

A committed group of Associate Editors and Editorial Board members volunteered an incredible number of hours and a great deal of effort this past year. Barbara Beatty, Linda Eisenmann, and Michael Fultz offered invaluable advice and refereed "special" submissions, like forums, historiographical pieces, symposia, etc., while Robert Levin continued as Associate Editor for book reviews.

Unfortunately, Linda's duties as Vice President of Division F, American Educational Research Association, and HES Vice President require her full attention for the next couple of years, causing her to resign her post as Associate Editor. She has devoted an infinite amount of time to the *Quarterly* by serving on the Editorial Board for three years and then as Associate Editor for some five years. I will especially miss her good counsel. Nevertheless, as part of my larger effort to expand the number of associate editors, in order to widen participation in editorial policy, I am pleased to announce that Eileen Tamura has agreed to serve as Associate Editor.

I also want to express my deepest gratitude to those Editorial Board members whose term ended in December: Ernest Freeberg, Colby-Sawyer College; Craig Kridel, University of South Carolina; Michael Murphy, University of Western Ontario; Christine A. Ogren, University of Iowa; David Roediger, University of Illinois; and Frank Simon, University of Ghent. They selflessly devoted a great deal of their personal time to the *Quarterly* during the past three years. Authors consistently praised the lengthy, detailed, and constructive reports they received from these good folks. I am pleased to announce that William Bruneau, University of British Columbia; Sherman Dorn, University of South Florida; Jack Dougherty, Trinity College; Victoria-Maria MacDonald, Florida State University; Marc DePaepe, Katholiek University Leuven University; F. Michael Perko, Loyola University-Chicago; Leslie Ann Schuster, Rhode Island College; and Amy C. Schutt, Colgate University; have accepted my invitations to serve three-year terms on the Editorial Board. Beginning with the 2003 meeting in Evanston, Illinois, I will convene the Editorial Board for annual meetings to discuss and refine the review process and solicit policy suggestions.

I must occasionally commission reviews from other experts in the field, and I want to acknowledge their good service to the *Quarterly* and the Society. This list of additional referees includes: Steve Aby, David Adams, Kathleen Alaimo, Clinton B. Allison, Beth Baron, Nancy Beadie, Edward Beauchamp, William Bruneau, Sol Cohen, Sara Curtis, William Cutler, O. L. Davis, Sherman Dorn, Mary Ann Dzuback, Philip Gardner, John Glen, Jay M. Heffron, Jurgen Herbst, Philo Hutcheson, David Labaree, W. Bruce Leslie, Victoria-Maria MacDonald, Amy Thompson McCandless, B. Edward McClellan, Joseph Newman, Rolland Paulston, F. Michael Perko, David

Potts, Jo Anne Preston, Anne T. Quartararo, Judith Raftery, William J. Reese, Theresa Richardson, Kate Rousmaniere, Ellen Schrecker, Amy Schutt, Susan Semel, Robert Sherman, Frank A. Stone, Marcia G. Synnott, Kim Tolly, Wayne Urban, Jim Wallace, and Roberta Wollons.

The journal's financial state held steady during the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Total HES memberships and *HEQ* subscriptions fell slightly from 1518 to 1480. We attribute much of this to the hard economic times plaguing higher education. Nevertheless, the journal's budget realized another surplus, as projected.

*HEQ* also gratefully acknowledges the institutional support provided by Youngstown State University (YSU) for Robert Levin's work as Book Review Editor. Particular thanks to YSU Provost Tony Atwater, Dean Philip Ginnetti, and Professor Joseph Edwards. The *Quarterly* received solid institutional support from Slippery Rock University (SRU) this year. C. Jay Hertzog, College of Education Dean, and Robert Smith, University Provost, are enthusiastic about hosting this journal. Both of them have expressed generous support for the journal, sustaining its secure home at SRU through June of 2006.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Editor