**HDCA Executive Council Meeting Minutes**

**November 17, 2020**

**7 pm UK**

**Present:** Enrica Chiappero-Martinetti, Andrew Crabtree, Caroline Hart, Tom de Herdt, Jay Drydyk, Oscar Garza, Rebecca Gutwald, Stacy Kosko, Sophie Mitra, Rosie Peppin-Vaughan, Graciela Tonon, Elaine Unterhalter, Sammia Poveda

**Chair:** Jay Drydyk

1. **Journal de Ciencias Sociales special issue**
	1. Graciela reported that the special issue dedicated to social problems in Latin America from the view of the Capability Approach has been published. It includes 7 articles and 1 essay in Spanish and English. The topics are political violence, poverty, children participation, measures of sustainability, children well-being, education, and engineering. The countries represented are: Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Paraguay, Mexico, Aruba, Bolivia and USA. There have been 1,952 visits from all over the world to the website. Graciela thanked all who supported this effort.
2. **2021 Conference Call for Papers**
	1. The draft Call for Papers was distributed to EC members. It had been discussed with the Program Committee which made some final improvements. Comments: It’s one of the better CfPs we’ve had. The online and face to face components are presented very well.
	2. Tom reported that they are still studying the logistical aspects of a hybrid conference. They won’t open the entire conference to those participating online. Plenary sessions, roundtables and thematic sessions will be open online, as well as PechaKucha presentations and meeting facilities – there can be meetings that include both online attendees and those on campus. Registration expected to open May 1. This gives time to see where things stand with regard to travel.
	3. Pre-conference events may include historic walks in the city for those attending in person, and other types of events could include online participants.
	4. The Call for Papers was approved unanimously.
3. **2022 Conference host options**
	1. Various options are being explored. There is a potential for a host in India.
	2. Timeline for selecting a 2022 conference host ideally would happen by the end of this year so that planning can being early in 2021.
4. **Treasurer Options**
	1. Two proposals were put forward to help maintain institutional knowledge for the Treasurer position: option 1. the Treasurer-elect would attend EC meetings prior to officially taking up the position as a way to get up to speed; option 2. create a Past Treasurer position (either voting or non-voting) on the EC with a formal responsibility to advise and ensure carryover of institutional memory.
	2. After discussion of the pros and cons, a vote was taken in favor of option 1.
5. **Request to use HDCA logo on book**
	1. There was a request to use the HDCA logo on a book about Covid and human development in Latin America. It has been practice in the past not to allow the use of the HDCA logo on books other than those produced by the association.
	2. There was consensus not to approve use of HDCA logo but to offer other types of support, e.g. book reviews, promotion through the website, etc.
6. **Regional organizing**
	1. A meeting of Regional Network coordinators took place recently and there is excitement about increased activities in the various regions. One focus is how to get multiple countries involved within a region.
7. **Approval of New Committees: Membership; Hybrid Conferences**
	1. Terms of reference for these new committees was circulated, as well as provisional lists of committee members. There was unanimous approval of the committees.
8. **AOB**
	1. Enrica shared news of the recent publication of *The Cambridge Handbook of the Capability Approach* that she co-edited with Siddiq Osmani and Mozaffar Qizilbash.
	2. Oscar reported that HDCA will likely receive an application for a new thematic group (TG) on gender and sexuality.
	3. Jay will proceed with preparing a discussion paper with strategic goals to be discussed at an upcoming EC meeting.
9. **Next Meeting**
	1. A date will be set in December.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Rosenblum