

**Cheiron 2016 Business Meeting**  
**Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain**  
**June 28, 2016**  
**David K. Robinson, presiding**

**I. Approval of 2015 minutes.**

Mike Sokal moved approval of minutes of previous meeting, Kathy Milar seconded; voice vote to approve.

**II. Reports of officers**

**David Robinson, Executive Officer**

Officers and Review Committee have been working closely together, also with the Barcelona organizers and ESHHS officers, and the results are this fine joint meeting. The main items of discussion today are the plans for the next 3 or 4 years.

**Cathy Faye, E-Communications Editor**

There have been no big changes. People use our website mostly to look at conference information and the book-prize page. Everyone seems okay now with the listserv, the google-group Cheiron Forum, and there are no widespread problems. In terms of Cathy's role as Cheiron Forum moderator, she does not need to post all items; anyone on the Cheiron Forum can just post by themselves. In fact, it is better to do so; that way people will reply to the one who posted. If you want something put onto the Cheiron website, put it into a Word doc and send it to Cathy.

Concerning the Cummings Center for the History of Psychology (CCHP) at University of Akron, it is in the midst of a huge renovation, including an expansion of the museum, archives, and storage for collections. CCHP recently received a big donation to pay for most of this expansion. Now the reading room and collections have moved to the second floor, and operations there will be smoother for researchers and staff. The entire first floor is being turned into museum space. The CCHP does not have money to create exhibits at this point, only the money to renovate. The space is almost completed, so fundraising is underway now to help fill the space with exhibits. The CCHP is consulting designers from both science and history museums; the target is somewhere in the middle of those two approaches. A portion of the museum is scheduled to open in spring 2017, certainly by July. Researchers are welcome to return by November 1, 2017, but the Center is already open for offsite research now.

**David Devonis, Treasurer, membership report (absent, gave his report through David R.)**

**Non-Profit Status.** Cheiron is a 501(c)3 public charity, a corporation chartered in Ohio through 2018. We are current with our required yearly IRS reports (Form 990-N e-postcard). We do not engage in partisan political activity.

All figures are in US\$

**Assets**

Total: \$ 102,545 (compare to 2007-08: \$63,646)  
 CD #1 \$ 24,473 rate = 0.60% matures 10/20/17  
 CD #2 \$ 18,025 rate = 0.60% matures 2/10/17  
 Cash: Checking \$ 56,708  
 Elizabeth Scarborough Fund \$ 3,556

**Summary of activity, 2015-16 (through June 1, 2016)**

**Income**

Dues \$ 2160

Al Smith Fund	\$ 645
Interest	\$ 281
CHP contributions	\$ 495
Scarborough Fund	\$ 656
<b>Over, conference 2015</b>	<b>\$ 7809</b>

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\$ 11986

**Expenses**

Stipends 2015	\$ 1600
Misc reimbursement	\$ 220
Speaker	\$ 1900
Book Prize pre-expenses	\$ 159

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\$ 3879

**2016-17 Projected**

**Income**

Dues	\$ 2000
Al Smith	\$ 1000
Interest	\$ 250
E.S. Fund	\$ 350
CHP	\$ 400
	\$ 4000

**Expenses**

Stipends	\$ 7200
Book Prize	\$ 500
CHP	\$ 1500
	\$ 8950

**Membership 2016-17**

168 members (73 paid up through 2015+)

6 new members

Exempt: 40; New Exempt: 0

Life: 13

1 resigned, 1 deceased

*Members in Arrears:*

1 yr 30

"Core" membership approximately 135 (85 regular and 50 exempt/life; sent 123 dues notices 12/15)

**To compare: Membership 2010**

254 members (103 paid up through 2009+)

17 new members (4 regular + 13 grad students)

Exempt: 45

Reinstated: 3

Life 7.3; New Exempt 4; New Life 2.3

*Members in Arrears:*

1 yr 23

2 yrs 24

3 yrs 27

4 yrs 8

5+ yrs 5

David R. reported from David Devonis that Cheiron continues to be in good financial shape. Assets are actually growing, and we have crossed over the \$100,000 mark. Last year we took in about \$2000 in dues, as well as contributions to Al Smith Fund, CCHP, and Scarborough Fund. We only received a little interest on savings. However, for our 2015 conference at University of Kansas, Ed Morris basically paid for everything using funding from his university. (They were obviously pleased by how our program had local interest.) We are basically rolling the money we took in for 2015 meeting registrations, etc., into stipends for the 2016 meeting, and Cheiron is contributing very generously to those this year. We are not sure whether we will spend all of the \$7200 we have offered, because one or two presenters have not yet arrived. Cheiron, on this occasion, once again extends thanks to Ed Morris; his excellent management has carried resources even into the next year's meeting.

Last year stipends were \$1600, this year about \$7200. We spent some money on the Scarborough Lecture last year. This year our Scarborough speaker is Saulo Araujo; he received the \$500 honorarium from Cheiron, but his meeting expenses were covered by the conference organizers, as an invited speaker. We give a Book Prize this year and we budget \$800 for that, plus minor mailing expenses. Projections will continue along the same lines, conservatively. Our expenses for our joint meeting this year may be as high as \$9000, with income only about \$4000, but the surplus from the 2015 meeting more than makes up for the shortfall.

**One item that was left hanging last year was the plan to divert a portion of our savings into an income-generating investment. David Devonis has asked us to table that discussion again until next year. Moved by Harry Whitaker, seconded by John Carson, and so tabled by voice vote.**

Regarding membership, we apparently had only one deceased member last year, and we all know who that was, Elizabeth Scarborough. Our membership core is between 80 and 100 people, though it is difficult to keep track of young people who come and go. Our Book Prize winner this year, Susan Lamb, used part of her honorarium to buy a lifetime Cheiron membership. She recommends that we offer that option to every winner. We have lost some regular members, still get a lot of new members, and are holding onto our core pretty well.

Motion to accept Treasurer/membership report, made by Mike Sokal, seconded by Kathy Milar, carried by voice vote.

### III. Meeting reports

#### Ingrid Farreras, Program Co-chair

Annette Mülberger (local host) will send us the figures. She has handled everything, very well.

*From Annette and the organizing committee:* Annette Mülberger, Mariagrazia Proietto, and Vanessa Márquez headed the organizing committee, while Annette, Sharman Levinson, and Ingrid Farreras coordinated the scientific (program) committee; together they planned and managed perhaps the largest meeting ever, for either organization. Mariagrazia and Thiago Pereira edited the book of abstracts. For more organizational details: [www.eshhs-cheiron2016.com](http://www.eshhs-cheiron2016.com). In preparation for the program, 158 abstracts were received, including 6 panel proposals. The review process employed a modified Cheiron system of blind review of abstracts, with reviewers giving suggestions for improvement and resubmission of some abstracts. 19 submissions were ultimately rejected and 5 withdrew because the author realized that he/she could not attend. 178 people registered at the conference. There were 6 posters and 134 papers in the final program, involving nearly 150 authors, and so a system of three parallel sessions was required.

The program included two invited lectures, plus one more added informally at the very beginning of the conference. Evening activities included business meetings for both societies, a jam session in which musically talented attendees performed, the conference banquet (including a book auction), and two other events of Cheiron tradition: film night from the Center for History of Psychology (CHP) archives and the Cheiron Book Prize presentation. After the end of the conference, on Friday evening, about 40 participants met on the Ramblas for a guided tour featuring history of science and technology in Barcelona.

Cheiron thanked all the organizers!

#### IV. Old, continuing business

##### A. Cheiron Young Scholar Award 2015

###### Citation:

The 2015 Cheiron Young Scholar Award goes to **Matthew J. Hoffarth**, Doctoral Candidate in History and Sociology of Science, University of Pennsylvania, for his paper, "**Managing Bodies: David C. McClelland and Organized Motivation, 1963-1989.**" Matthew argued that McClelland, a Harvard psychologist and former member of its Department of Social Relations, shaped the postwar climate of business management and organizational psychology with his belief in broad homologies: "that the motives, drives, and needs of any sort of 'system,' be it a personality, an individual, an organization, or a nation, could be trained after they were assessed." Although McClelland's tool of choice, the Thematic Apperception Test, has declined in use in recent decades, Matthew demonstrates how the procedures accompanying its administration continue to bolster the importance of leadership and self-management in corporate America. The Award Committee was impressed with how Matthew drew upon a wide variety of primary and secondary sources to make his argument. His dissertation, on the intertwined histories of personality testing and identity politics in corporate America, should be completed in late spring 2017.

The Award Committee thanks Matthew and also the four others who submitted their papers for our consideration. Those who have not already won this award remain eligible to compete in future competitions, including at the 2016 joint conference with ESHHS in Barcelona.

--2015 Cheiron Young Scholars Award Committee

Larry Stern (chair), Elissa Rodkey, and Courtney Thompson

David R. notes that the winner of this award was actually prevented from attending Cheiron because bad weather cancelled his flight. Jenn Bazar (2015 Program Chair) worked hard to get him a Skype connection, but failed, and then posted his presentation on Cheiron Forum. Matthew was allowed into the YSA competition, and then his submission was unanimously judged the best submission. Because of all these issues, the winner was announced fairly late, in March. Matthew receives a certificate, and his citation is on our website.

##### B. Cheiron Young Scholar Award 2016

David R. has asked Barbara Lusk to chair, even though she was absent from this meeting. Both societies have decided to ask all eligible people to apply for either or both of the young-scholar awards, as they are eligible. The organizers have sent out a joint announcement (below) that describes eligibility and requirements for submission to each prize competition. Ian Nicholson asked whether each society would be awarding to a different young scholar. David R. noted that there might possibly be one winner of both, but since the submission timeline is so different, this would probably not be the case. Ian noted that the single winner would not be a problem, but that the \$500 honorarium is awarded for the article

in *JHBS*, so in that case the money would be awarded only once. This stipulation went into the call for submissions.

## Announcement for young scholars of Cheiron and ESHHS

From: David Robinson (Cheiron) <https://www.uakron.edu/cheiron/>

Petteri Pietikäinen (out-going president of the ESHHS) and Annette Mülberger (in-coming president of the ESHHS) <http://www.eshhs.eu/wordpress-3.3.1/wordpress/>

### Award programs for 2016

All of you who participated will surely agree that the Barcelona joint conference was a fine meeting, due in no small part to the participation of many young scholars. Both societies run early career award competitions, so this year we decided to put out the call for submissions into one message.

Please examine the two sets of rules down below; you will discover that the qualifications (as a young scholar in early career) vary a bit; the time-frame for the preparation and submission varies a lot. Both societies want to invite all who qualify to apply to either award program, or to both if you qualify for both.

Both award programs are for young scholars who presented in Barcelona. To apply for the Cheiron program, you must work fairly quickly to send in the text of your presentation (not just the abstract in the printed program), complete with bibliography, etc. To apply for the ESHHS program you will take longer to prepare a manuscript article, ready for journal review.

Both programs have the ultimate goal of the winner gaining publication in *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences* (*JHBS*), at which time the winner receives \$500 from the publisher. The Cheiron prize names a winner early in the process, the ESHHS prize somewhat later. Neither society can guarantee publication, although officers of both societies want to help winners improve the manuscript toward publication.

For those who qualify for both prizes, it is appropriate to plan to apply for both. The winner of the Cheiron prize will probably be announced before the ESHHS deadline for submissions. It is possible that the same person could win both competitions; however, the \$500 honorarium would only be paid for one published article. If different people win the two prizes, two honorariums are possible, though only if both pass review for publication.

Message from David Robinson: I hereby open the competition for the **2016 Cheiron Young Scholar Award**. We welcome submissions from all who are eligible. The rules and procedure are given below. Barbara Stern, a member of the Cheiron Review Committee, will chair the committee to judge the entries.

**Send your entry (in PDF, RTF, or DOCX attachment) directly to me, by July 30 (firm deadline).** Please put "Cheiron Young Scholar Award" in the subject line.

--David K. Robinson, Cheiron Executive Officer [drobinso@truman.edu](mailto:drobinso@truman.edu)

A reminder from the ESHHS Executive Board about their Early Career Award will be sent later. Please note that the deadline will be **December 31, 2016** and the e-mail address to which to send the manuscript to Anna Borgos, Secretary of the ESHHS, [borgosanna@gmail.com](mailto:borgosanna@gmail.com) (please put "ESHHS ECA" in the subject line).

### Cheiron Young Scholar Award

Since 2008, Cheiron has awarded a prize for the best paper or symposium presentation by a young scholar. To be eligible for consideration, the young scholar must be the sole or first author on the

paper and must be responsible for the bulk of the work of the paper. The young scholar must be a student currently or must have completed doctoral work (or other final degree) not more than 5 years prior to the meeting. Past winners of this award are no longer eligible.

About three weeks after the meeting, applicants for this award will submit a copy of the presented paper (rather than the abstract); it may include further, minor changes and bibliography. Submissions go to the Cheiron Executive Officer, who sets the exact deadline and determines eligibility, and the entries will be judged by select members of the Program Committee and the Review Committee. The winner will be announced by early autumn following the Cheiron meeting, will receive a certificate, and will be asked to submit the paper to the *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences* within a reasonable period of time. The Award winner may ask Cheiron for assistance in preparing the paper for submission to JHBS. If the paper is accepted by JHBS for publication, the winner will receive a \$500 honorarium from the publisher, Wiley-Blackwell, in recognition of the Cheiron Young Scholar Award. Please note that the award committee may choose not to grant an award in any given year and that the honorarium depends on publication in JHBS, in addition to winning the Award.

### **ESHHS Early Career Award**

The ESHHS is formally affiliated with the *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences* (JHBS). Together with the JHBS, the ESHHS encourages early career researchers to submit their papers for the Early Career Award. The winning paper will, after additional review by the JHBS Editorial Board, be published in JHBS with a notice indicating that it is the winner of the ESHHS Early Career Award. The Publisher will provide an honorarium of US \$500 to the award recipient.

#### Rules and procedure

- Any researcher in the history of the human sciences who does not hold a tenured university position (or equivalent) is eligible to be considered for the Award.
- Those wishing to be considered must be members of ESHHS at the time of submission (an appropriately completed Membership Form may accompany a submitted paper).
- Candidates for the Award should submit to the Programme Committee a proposal for the Annual ESHHS Conference in the usual way, to arrive by the appropriate deadline.
- Before December 31 of each year candidates should send by e-mail a copy of their full text to each member of the ESHHS Executive Board (President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Communications Officer). This paper must meet the normal [publishing guidelines of JHBS](#).
- Candidates should indicate that they wish to be considered for the Early Career Award and provide a short CV (including educational background, work affiliations, scholarships, and a list of all the publications) to establish eligibility.
- Submissions are accepted from both the current year and the previous year.
- The Board will acknowledge receipt of applications and will confirm their eligibility.
- By mid-March the Executive Board will announce the nominee for the award (provided there are submissions of appropriate standards).
- The paper can be sent to JHBS any time after the announcement.
- In any given year, in the absence of high quality submissions no award will be made.
- If the paper is deemed acceptable by the editors of the Journal, it will be published and the honorarium will be awarded.

-- ESHHS/CHEIRON Conference 2016

### **C. Cheiron Book Prize 2017, Gerald Sullivan, chair.**

The call for submissions (below) goes out immediately, deadline October 15, 2016. This is the year we transition to an annual book award.

## Call for Submissions 2017 Cheiron Book Prize

Beginning in 2004, Cheiron: The International Society for the History of Behavioral and Social Sciences has awarded the Cheiron Book Prize for an outstanding monograph in the history of the social/behavioral/human sciences. Until 2016 the prize was biennial; starting 2017 Cheiron awards the prize annually. For more on Cheiron, including past Book Prize winners, see <https://www.uakron.edu/cheiron/>

Eligible works for the **2017 Cheiron Book Prize** include original book-length historical studies, written in English and **published in 2015 or 2016**. Topical areas can include, but are not limited to, histories of psychology, psychiatry, anthropology, sociology, and social statistics. Works that are primarily history of medicine or history of education are not suitable entries, unless they are strongly tied to the history of the social/behavioral/human sciences. Edited collections or anthologies are not eligible, nor are conventional textbooks. Submissions will be judged on the basis of their scholarly character, depth of research, and the importance of their contribution to the field. Submissions can be made by publishers or authors.

**Deadline: Two copies of each book entered must be received by the committee chair by 15 October 2016.** Books that are printed **later in 2016** are eligible for the next competition; only printed books are eligible.

The author of the winning book will receive \$500 plus up to \$300 in travel expenses to attend the **2017 Annual Meeting of Cheiron** held in June at Mississippi State University, where the prize will be awarded. Remote-electronic presentation is possible, for a winner who cannot make the meeting. Announcements of the award will be widely circulated to relevant journals and organizations.

To enter the competition, two copies of each entry, clearly labeled "**2017 Cheiron Book Prize**," must be mailed directly to the committee chair:

Jerry Sullivan  
Professor of Anthropology  
Collin College, Spring Creek Campus  
2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway  
Plano TX 75074

Email contact: [GSullivan@collin.edu](mailto:GSullivan@collin.edu)

Discussion: David R. noted that the 2016 committee thought that the competition went very smoothly; they recommend that we go forward with the annual prize, which we voted to do last year. It is an extra expense of possibly \$900 every year, rather than every two years. Phyllis Wentworth, Jenn Bazar, and the chair Jerry Sullivan are staying on the committee for the coming year. There will be four people on the committee, probably two in the USA and two Canadians, for mailing purposes. The idea is to rotate one or two members off each year, much like the Review Committee.

For a prize year we forthwith receive books published in the previous two years. There were around 27 entries for the 2016 prize (published in three years). Jenn Bazar notes that there should be some repeats (published in 2015) from the previous competition. David R. is convinced that there will be enough submissions to support the annual prize. John Carson suggests encouraging good submissions to

resubmit. David R. will work with Jerry Sullivan and Phyllis Wentworth (the previous chair) to publicize our change and get those books in to the committee chair by this October.

## V. Journal Reports

Mike Sokal reports that Nadine Weidman, editor of *History of Psychology*, sends her regrets. She was actively involved in planning our meeting, but family illness prevented her coming. The journal is doing well and she welcomes submissions and recommendations of papers presented in Barcelona.

Ian Nicholson, editor of *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences*, similarly welcomed submissions. He reports that the submission rate has been steady the past few years. As a quarterly, there are basically 16 slots for articles, annually. JHBS reserves 3 of these for young-scholar prize winners, but those papers are subject to the same peer-review process. There are about 30 submissions a year, although that assumes a fairly strict definition of what counts as a submission – some send only abstracts or half a paper. The number 30 counts the full papers received, and this has been fairly constant over the past 3 years. The rejection rate is around 50%. If that number seems unnerving, Ian adds that most rejected papers are not from Cheiron or ESHS members; they are from people who are interested in history, but don't know how to craft a historical argument, or seem to have only a passing interest in history. There are also quite a few review-type papers: someone is writing an empirical dissertation and a committee member suggests doing a historical section on the topic, and they think they can send that off somewhere for a quick publication. The bulk of the 50% rejected fall into these categories. So far this year, with 15 papers submitted, 7 have been rejected for the reasons just described, and so JHBS is on track with its submissions rate.

Shayna Fox Lee reported that she is editing the "News and Notes" section in *History of Psychology* and would like to encourage submissions. Kathy Milar edits the history section of the *American Journal of Psychology*. Her rejection rate is extremely low, she reports, so please send items. Ingrid Farreras asked about "Time Capsule" section for the *APA Monitor*. Cathy Faye answered that CCHP is actually taking over the "Time Capsule," providing content for that.

Jim Good, past-editor of *History of the Human Sciences*, reports that his successors welcome submissions. HHS publishes 5 times a year, and the rejection rate has actually increased in the past year, largely due to submission problems like those described by Ian Nicholson. The editors would particularly encourage proposals for special issues. Please write to Felicity Callard, editor-in-chief; the journal's website has helpful guidelines: <http://hhs.sagepub.com/>

Harry Whitaker reported that this year he became editor-in-chief of the journal *Lingua*, and historical pieces are welcome there. The main topic is language, whether historical or not. The journal publishes every month on its website. Its rejection rates are similar to those described by Ian.

## VI. Elections

### Executive Officer

David R.'s term as Executive Officer ends with this meeting. Notice about the end of the term was sent out via Cheiron Forum, and members were asked to send comments and nominations to the Review Committee. The Review Committee has encouraged David to stand for election to another term, and he has agreed. Hearing no other nominations for Executive Officer, Mike Sokal moved that the nominations close. Kathy Milar seconded. **Acclamation of David K. Robinson to the 2016-19 term as Executive Officer.**

### Review Committee

Larry Stern	(2013-16) term ends
Jacy Young	(2013-16) term ends
Barbara Lusk	(2014-17)

Elissa Rodkey (2014-17)

Katalin Dzinás (2015-18)

Rodrigo Miranda (2015-18)

We have 2 members of the Review Committee whose terms end. Review Committee nominated these members for the term 2016-19:

Saulo Araujo

Nancy Digdon

Courtney Thompson

Leila Zenderland

David R. informed us that Saulo will no longer live in Brazil but will soon take a position in the USA, at U. West Georgia. No further nominations from the floor; voting by ballot. **Nancy Digdon and Leila Zenderland were elected to the Cheiron Review Committee, for the term 2016-19.**

## VII. Future meetings

Host for 2017 meeting? Program Chair: Jacy Young

Fairly firm plan for 50th annual meeting 2018, University of Akron

Plan for 2019?

North American venue for next joint meeting, probably 2020?

David R. notes that the big decision is the meeting venue for 2017, but this is also a good time to discuss plans for meetings for the next 3 or 4 years. He reviewed the situation, referring to discussions on Cheiron Forum, personal reports, emails, and meetings. We have good offers from two places. Last year Harry Whitaker suggested that he could host. Courtney Thompson then brought the offer from Mississippi State, a region that is new for Cheiron. The state of Mississippi recently passed some laws unfriendly to LGBTQ, and some members objected to holding the meeting there. Harry responded with a detailed proposal to host the meeting at U. Northern Michigan. Members asked a lot of questions about both offers, and the Review Committee finally decided in its lunch meeting that both offers were good. The situation in Mississippi has changed some, as the offensive laws have begun to be struck down, and they are still in process of going through the federal courts. So the Review Committee judged them essentially equal offers. We choose one place for 2017, and both offers are also open to 2019. Neither has yet made plans or commitments that would be inconvenient to break; Jacy Young has agreed to be 2017 Program Chair, wherever it takes place. Some Canadians, in particular, saw Mississippi as going “south” again for a third year (after Dallas and Kansas). Some members had urged the Review Committee to make a strong recommendation, but at the lunch meeting it decided to call for a preference vote at the business meeting.

Kathy Milar asked if this decision would be to determine locations for both 2017 and 2019.

David R. responds yes, at this point we plan both, and from Cathy Faye we have the assurance that the CCHP supports hosting the 50<sup>th</sup> Cheiron meeting in Akron. We made inquiries about New Hampshire and Princeton, also obvious candidates for historical reasons, but with the renovated Center, Akron looks great, so we are going forward with that plan for 2018.

Ian Lubek noted that two offers is a great thing, but Cheiron is not supposed to be political, is it? Could we go to Michigan and write a letter to Mississippi? David R. doesn't think avoiding Mississippi does their politics any good, and this decision has nothing directly to do with partisan politics, so either way Cheiron would not be in conflict with its status as a charitable organization for tax purposes. David R. can write such letters on behalf of Cheiron, and probably will, whichever way the decision goes.

Harry Whitaker (Northern Michigan U.) and Alix Hui (Mississippi State U.) were both present and answered several questions about their offers. Alix noted that whatever the outcome of the vote, our colleagues in Mississippi see this whole process – that there was this kerfuffle at Cheiron – as beneficial.

They can take the information to their university administration who can take it to the legislature to show how such ill-conceived legislation affects higher education in Mississippi. While Alix understands these boycotts, she notes that they can further isolate our colleagues in such places, and there is a job here for education. Mike Sokal asked whether it would be more supportive to our colleagues to hold Cheiron in Mississippi or to document a rejection of the offer. Alix could not judge this. Courtney Thompson is really excited about hosting Cheiron at Mississippi State; Alix didn't want to speak for Courtney, but felt sure that Courtney would be fine either way. In either case they want to take documentation to the administration, including these minutes and collections of discussions from Cheiron Forum (with people's permission). Mike Sokal noted that it is very important for Cheiron to support our colleagues.

Jill Morawski inquired into details of transportation options and what each venue offers in terms of special events or cultural opportunities. Alix explained that Starkville has an airport 15 minutes away. It is tiny, served only by Delta, but there is a free shuttle that links up with the city bus and stops at the university. Atlanta, Birmingham, and Memphis airports are within a couple hours' drive, and they could coordinate travel from those locations. Harry noted that their airport is also about 15 minutes from town and both Delta and American Airlines service the airport, through Detroit and Chicago, respectively. There is also the airport in Green Bay, Wisconsin, which is a 3 ½ hour drive away. Harry notes that Mississippi State is a much bigger university; they are more likely to have cultural events, but Northern Michigan has more to offer in terms of nature. There is the US National Seashore Park just an hour down the road, the wrecks of Lake Superior, glass bottom boats, etc. As his posted proposal detailed, there is also beautiful nature in the immediate area. There will be shuttle buses back and forth to the airport. Dormitories will be less than \$30 per person, meal plans are accessible, etc. It is also a short walk to the town nearby. Ian Lubek asked if there are motels. Harry said there are no motels within walking distance, but you could walk from the downtown hotel, where rooms would be about \$80 a night. Alix notes that Mississippi State dorm prices are comparable, and there are lots of hotels/motels. In the summer heat, walking will have to be minimized in daytime.

David R. summarized that neither venue has attractions that are Cheiron-specific. It comes down to nature and nice weather in Michigan, versus BBQ and the blues in Mississippi. John Carson notes that there are two important groups to support: our colleagues in Mississippi and our LGBTQ members. We have to be sensitive to both. In Mississippi we should make LGBTQ issues central to the program; this is an important way to speak to those issues in a way that matters. 2017 Program Chair Jacy Young agreed she would make every effort to do this.

David R. called for a vote by ballot. **As a result of the vote, the location for the 2017 meeting of Cheiron is Mississippi State University, Starkville, and the 2019 meeting is planned for U. Northern Michigan.**

## **VII. New Business**

**History Committee for 50th Cheiron meeting.** David R. notes that we are on the hook to invite ESHHS to North America, probably in 2020. We welcome offers and ideas for that meeting. Before that comes the benchmark 2018 meeting, our 50<sup>th</sup>, planned for University of Akron. We need a History Committee, which should include Mike Sokal and Ben Harris. Kathy Milar has agreed to chair the History Committee, and she will ask them and others to help; our archive at CHP is rich in resources. The committee will report next year with a plan; it should suggest a budget for what would be an appropriate commemoration and celebration in Akron in 2018. Cathy Faye suggests a big party.

*Adjourned.*

*Minutes recorded by Jacy Young.*