News and Comments

Editor William J. Reese gave the following report at the annual meeting of the History of Education Society, November 4–6, 1988:

The past year at the *History of Education Quarterly* has been marked by continuity and change. B. Edward McClellan resigned as editor effective July 1, 1988, after a sabbatical leave that was rewarded with a new administrative position. I had served as Acting Editor during Ed's sabbatical and happily accepted the invitation by the board of directors to become the new editor.

Other personnel changes followed. Ronald Cohen of Indiana University-Northwest continues as Associate Editor, now responsible however for book reviews. David Adams of Cleveland State University was appointed as an Associate Editor to help evaluate manuscripts. I am grateful to Ron and Dave for all their contributions.

Three new scholars join the editorial board for three-year terms beginning January 1, 1989: Jeffrey Mirel of Northern Illinois University, Natalie Naylor of Hofstra University, and John Thelin of the College of William and Mary. I am excited about the prospects of working with them closely.

Amy Schutt continued to serve with distinction as managing editor. We were also ably assisted in Bloomington by Diana Bush, who served as Associate Editor, and Robert Schwartz, who was subscriptions manager. We would like to record our deep appreciation to both. Alex Urbiel has been appointed subscriptions manager, and Margaret Miller and Mark Olesh also assist us in essential ways.

Through the diligent efforts of our editorial board and many of the above people, we published the following in Volume 27, 1987: twelve articles, six essay reviews, one forum, three retrospective essays, and fiftyseven book reviews. Volume 28 will show a modest increase in numbers in nearly all these categories.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of our staff and editorial board. They are the heart of the journal. During the past year, for example, our editorial board helped evaluate the approximately one hundred manuscripts submitted. Board members are incredibly diligent, evaluating many manuscripts despite other pressing professional responsibilities. They are tough-minded but enormously constructive people.

I would also like to applaud the many members of the Society who have helped us review books, evaluate manuscripts, and otherwise lightened our load and suggested ways to improve the journal.

Membership continues to increase modestly. Institutional membership has not varied, but individual membership slowly increases. Individual members numbered 441 in 1986 and 454 in 1987; right now we approach 500. We plan a membership drive in the new year. We hope to lure some non-members from related scholarly organizations and more graduate students. The Society has generously helped us purchase a new computer that will better modernize our services and aid in the drive. Special thanks to Ellen Lagemann for all her encouragement and support.

The finances of the journal remain healthy. We try to behave very conservatively and intend to live well within our means. We have a small but solid reserve to enable us to withstand a minor crisis or possible inflation.

New ideas are welcome from members of the Society. We have tried to add new features to the journal, and we are open to suggestions for further improvement. Through an expanded book review section, for example, we have continued to involve many members of the Society in the journal's work. We'll try to think seriously about suggestions offered by our readers.

Working with the editorial board, associate editors, and staff is a real honor. Let me also acknowledge gratefully the cooperation I've received from the directors of the Society, its elected officers, and its members generally. It goes without saying that our work would be impossible without generous academic patrons at Indiana University at Bloomington, Indiana University-Northwest, and Cleveland State University. Our indebtedness is described in detail in the Fall issue.

Ed McClellan deserves a special tribute. This past year marked the end of his formal association with the *History of Education Quarterly*. His influence, of course, remains with many of us who continue to work on the journal. I'm happy he's only down the hall and a quick phone call away.

Quarterly Financial Report

Fiscal Year 1987/88

<i>Income</i> Individual memberships (<i>HEQ</i> sh Institutional subscriptions Sale of indexes and back issues Microfilm royalties Sale of mailing lists Interest Advertising	are)	9,974.00 41,155.10 584.00 428.40 400.00 1,468.36 2,102.00
	Total	\$56,111.86
<i>Adjustments to Income</i> Refunds and currency adjustments	s Total income	(292.79) (\$55,819.07)
Expenditures Printing/mailing Salary, wages, and benefits Office supplies Office postage Photoduplication Photographic work Postal deposit for future mailings Telephone Equipment Copyright registrations Travel Miscellaneous fees	Total	31,360.40 16,172.17 696.40 1,899.07 211.94 185.75 158.54 507.67 119.67 40.00 661.95 445.00 52,458.56
<i>Adjustments to expenditures</i> Reimbursement for reprints Checks voided	Total Expenditures Net Income	(290.00) (3.00) (\$52,165.56) 3,653.51