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I CHUS New Board of Directors

Report of the CHUS Election Committee (Reported respectfully by Professors Xiaobing Li, Xiansheng Tian, and Patrick Fuliang Shan): The Election Committee was organized in the summer of 2018 under the guidance of the CHUS Board. Three committee members were selected to conduct this year’s election: Professors Xiaobing Li, Xiansheng Tian, and Patrick Fuliang Shan (chair). President Qiang Fang made the announcement about the formation of this committee to the CHUS community on August 16, 2018.

Very soon, the committee sent out the call for nominations. A few weeks later, the committee received two nominations. Then, the committee contacted the two nominees, and made sure that they would like to serve. The nominees for the two vacancies included Professor Zhiguo Yang for President and Professor Mao Lin for Newsletter Editor and Web Manager. The committee created the ballot, which showed the two candidates’ names. However, the committee allowed the voters to put their own candidates as the writing-in candidates in case they have their own choices.

The ballot was sent out for the first time on October 8, 2018. Then, the committee sent out a reminder of the election along with the ballots on October 31, 2018. The final call for election was sent out on November 24, 2018.

After the deadline of December 1, 2018, the committee conducted a final count of all votes. Nearly forty CHUS members voted, and almost all voted for the two candidates. According to the tradition of the CHUS and its by-laws, the result of this year’s election was announced at the AHA Conference in Chicago. The result now should be publicized: Both candidates were elected: Professor Zhiguo Yang as President and Professor Lin as newsletter editor for the next board (2019-2021). The committee sent out a congratulation letter to each of the newly elected CHUS board members, and wish them the best for their service in the next two years.

After the successful election, CHUS new board of directors (2019-2021) includes the following members: Dr. Zhiguo Yang, President; Dr. Dandan Chen, Secretary; Dr. Xiaojia Hou, Treasurer; Dr. Danke Li, Conference Coordinator; and Dr. Mao Lin, Newsletter Editor and Web Manager.
II. Call for Nomination / Application for CHUS Academic Excellence Award
Deadline: October 31, 2019

In keeping with the CHUS Bylaws Article VII.1, the board has developed the following guidelines for the 2018-19 competition year:

1. All active CHUS members are eligible to nominate a colleague or self for consideration of this award;
2. Only work (book or chapter/article) published between September 1, 2018 and October 31, 2019 will be considered;
3. Candidates should send the required documents (see below) to the selection committee before the deadline for review;
4. It is the responsibility of the candidates to mail a copy of her/his book or chapter/article to each committee member. Candidates who wish to have their book returned after the evaluation process should provide self-addressed and self-stamped envelopes.

Required documents:

1. a cover letter from the applicant or the nominator;
2. a copy of the book, book chapter, or article the candidate wishes to be considered;
3. the applicant’s curriculum vitae (no more than three pages); and
4. an abstract of the publication to be considered which should highlight the work’s contributions to the field of China studies.

Optional supporting documents: Candidates may submit additional supporting documents such as book review(s), comments by the anonymous reviewers, publicity materials, and etc.

Format: All documents should be submitted in electronic format. In the case of books, candidates have the option of either providing hard copies or PDF.

Selection committee and timeline: The selection committee for the Academic Excellence Award of the 2018-19 competition year is consisted of

- Professors Pingchao Zhu (chair, pzhu@uidaho.edu);
- Yi Sun (ysun@sandiego.edu); and
- Qiong Zhang (zhangq@wfu.edu).

The committee will begin its reviewing process after the deadline and make its recommendation to the board by December 8, 2019. The award or awards will be formally presented to the recipient at CHUS annual meeting during AHA conference in New York in January 2020.
III. The call for the CHUS Distinguished Service Award
(Deadline: November 1, 2019)

The CHUS bestows the Distinguished Service Award every year. According to the by-laws and the CHUS tradition, this call is now sent to all CHUS members to solicit nominations.

(I). All CHUS members who have made significant contributions to the goals and missions of the CHUS are eligible to nominate a colleague or himself/herself for consideration for the Distinguished Service Award;

(II). A nominator should submit a letter to the selection committee before the stated deadline and provide a clearly articulated rationale for the nomination. In the case of self-nomination, the applicant should provide a statement to highlight her/his contributions to CHUS;

(III). When nominated for the Distinguished Service Award, the candidates should confirm their acceptance of the nomination with the selection committee and assist the committee in the evaluation process;

(IV). Previous recipients of the award are not eligible to be nominated

The selection committee and timeline:
The selection committee for the Distinguished Service Award this year is chaired by Dr. Xiaobing Li (University of Central Oklahoma) (bli@uco.edu). Dr. Liyan Liu (Georgetown College) (liyan_liu@georgetowncollege.edu) and Dr. Patrick Fuliang SHAN (Grand Valley State University) (shanp@gvsu.edu) will serve as other two committee members.

Please email your nominations along with relevant materials to the three members via email before November 1, 2019. Then, the committee will collect more information about the nominees, deliberate over their candidacy, and then vote to decide who will be the winner(s).

The committee will make its recommendation(s) to the CHUS Board soon after the deadline. The award(s) will be formally bestowed to the recipient(s) or winner(s) at CHUS annual meeting during AHA conference at New York City in early January 2020.
IV. Guideline for Graduate Student Travel Grant  
(Deadlines: November 1, 2019)

Eligibility:

1) The applicant must be an active member of the CHUS;
2) The applicant must be a Ph.D. student studying at an academic institution in the US or Canada;
3) The applicant’s paper proposal must have been accepted by the CHUS sponsored panel at AHA;
4) Applicants whose paper proposals have been accepted by the AAS are also eligible.

Application:

1) Applicants must submit an application letter, a one-page cv, a copy of the paper proposal that has been accepted by AHA or AAS and panel information;
2) The applicant must submit a proof of his/her valid graduate student status.

Recipients of the award should mail their travel related documents (airplane ticket, boarding pass, hotel bill, and other evidence for ground transportation) in a self-addressed envelope to the CHUS treasure for reimbursement after completion of travel.

Selection Committee and timeline:
The Selection Committee for the Graduate Student Travel Grant is chaired by Professor Xiaoping Cong (xcong@central.uh.edu) with Professors Xiaofei Kang (xkang@gwu.edu) and Mia Feng (fengmiao@cass.org.cn) serving as committee members.

The committee will make its recommendation to the board by November 16, 2018. The recipient will be informed before the AHA meeting, and the award will be announced at CHUS annual meeting during AHA conference at Washington D.C. in early January 2019.
V. Call for Papers: *Chinese Historical Review*

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*The Chinese Historical Review* (*CHR*) is a fully refereed and vigorously edited transnational journal of history with issues appearing in March and November each year. The journal is included in the following services: Bibliography of Asian Studies, European Reference Index for the Humanities (ERIH), and Scopus.

The journal publishes original research on the history of China in every period, China’s historical relations with the world, the historical experiences of the overseas Chinese, as well as comparative studies of history. The journal is abstracted and indexed by Bibliography of Asian Studies and Scopus, the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature.

The journal is published by Taylor & Francis Group on behalf of Chinese Historians in the United States (CHUS). The current editor-in-chief is Professor Hanchao Lu (Georgia Tech). Please send manuscripts and inquiries via email to Ms. LaDonna Bowen of the editorial office at ladonna.bowen@hsoc.gatech.edu.
VI. CHUS Membership

**Member Benefits:** Membership is crucial to the survival and development of the CHUS. We encourage our lifetime members to renew their membership, and welcome new people to join the CHUS.

As a CHUS member, you will enjoy various benefits: Participating in CHUS-sponsored panels at the AHA’s annual conferences and CHUS-sponsored international trips to Asia and international conferences in Asia, receiving *The Chinese Historical Review* (CHR) and CHUS Newsletter, enjoying free online access to *CHR*, eligibility for receiving CHUS awards and Graduate Travel Grant, and other opportunities for scholarly exchanges both in and outside the United States.

**Current Membership Rates:** $60/year, $100/2 years, $150/3 years for regular members; $30/year or $50/2 years for students and retired scholars; $200/year for contributing members (This new category is designed for outside donors who are not professional historians. They will enjoy the defined privileges such as receiving the journal and newsletters but do not have full privileges of other members in organizational electoral rights, awards, service, and other academic participation).

Please remember to renew your membership on time, and also help advertise CHUS to any potential new members. For questions and recruitment suggestions, please contact Dr. Dandan Chen (chenda@farmingdale.edu). Please send your application form to Dr. Dandan Chen, and mail your payment to Dr. Xiaojia Hou (please see below).

**Three Ways to Pay Membership Dues:**

1. **Mail Check** (Payable to CHUS) to Dr. Xiaojia Hou (Mailing address: Dr. Xiaojia Hou, 1162 Culligan Blvd, San Jose, CA, 95120, USA).

2. **PayPal Account (preferred):** Please pay to xiaojia.hou@sjsu.edu.

3. **Wechat Wallet Transfer:** Transfer your membership fees to Dr. Dandan Chen’s wechat wallet (Dr. Chen's Wechat ID: dandanstrong).

**Steps to Register for Free Online Access to Chinese Historical Review (CHR) at the Website of Taylor & Francis <http://www.tandfonline.com/>.** Just in case you have not registered for online access to *CHR*, here are the steps.

- As a current member of the Chinese Historians in the United States you are entitled to online access to the society journal *Chinese Historical Review* via a voucher for 2016.

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VII. CHUS Member News

Dr. Cai, Liang, Assistant Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame, has published an article “Confucians, Social Networks, and Bureaucracy: Donghai 东海 Men and Models for Success in the Western Han China (206 BCE–9 CE),” Early China, 42(2019),1-35.

Dr. Du, Chunmei, Associate Professor of History at Lingnan University, published her book Gu Hongming’s Eccentric Chinese Odyssey (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2019).

Details of the book can be found at the publisher’s website: http://www.upenn.edu/pennpress/book/15980.html

Prof. Du was the elected secretary of CHUS, 2013-2015, and joined Lingnan University, Hong Kong in August 2018. She is also the author of non-fiction《疯癫笔记：我在美国精神病院的实习经历》(江苏凤凰文艺出版社, 2017). She is currently working on a social and cultural history of the American soldiers in China between 1945 and 1949.

Dr. Fang, Jun 方骏, Professor of History at Huron University College, Western University, Canada, has published (with Lifang He) The Romance of a Literatus and His Concubine in Seventeenth-Century China (Hong Kong: Proverse, 2019), an annotated English translation of Mao Xiang’s 冒襄 (1611-93) Yingmeian Yiyu 影梅庵憶語 (Reminiscences of the Plum-shaded Convent).


**Dr. Fang, Qiang** and **Dr. Li, Xiaobing** have edited an essay collection of CHUS members' articles titled *A Century of Student Movements in Modern China: The Mountain Movers, 1919-2019*. It includes articles from 14 CHUS members and will be published by Lexington Books in December 2019.

**Dr. Li, Xiaobing**, Professor and Chair of Department of History and Geography at the University of Central Oklahoma, has three new books available in the fall of 2019: *The Dragon in the Jungle: The Chinese Army in the Vietnam War* (Oxford University Press, 2019), *Building Ho's Army: Chinese Military Assistance to North Vietnam* (University Press of Kentucky, 2019), and *The History of Taiwan* (ABC-CLIO, 2019).
Dr. Shan, Patrick Fuliang, Professor of History at Grand Valley State University, published an article titled "Unveiling China’s Relinquished Marital Mode: A Study of Yuan Shikai’s Polygamous Household" in *Frontiers of History in China* (Vol. 14, No. 2, July 2019), pp. 185-211.

Dr. Shao, Qin, Professor of History at the College of New Jersey, published an article “The Lingering Corpse in the Chinese Urban.” *The Study*, International Institute of Asian Studies, Leiden, the Netherlands, No. 81, October, 2018.

Dr. Wang, Di 王笛《袍哥：1940 年代
的川西鄉村暴力與秩序》（北京大學
出版社，2018）獲首屆呂梁文學獎
（非虛構作品類）The Inaugural
Nüliang Book Prize (Nonfiction). Dr.
Wang is Distinguished Professor of
History at the University of Macau. He
is the author of The Teahouse: Small
Business, Everyday Culture, and Public
Politics in Chengdu, 1900–1950
(Stanford, 2008).

Dr. Wang, Xi (Indiana University of Pennsylvania / Peking University) was awarded “Certificate
of Achievement.” in July 2019, by the American History Research Association of China for his
“distinguished contribution.” Wang Xi was a member of the three-person task force of the
Organization of American Historians (OAH), together with Professors Alice Kessler-Harris
(Columbia University, 2012-2013 President of the OAH) and Beth Bailey (University of Kansas,
Chair of OAH International Committee), to raise funds from the Ford Foundation (respectively in
2012 and 2015) to create OAH’s “China Residencies Program.” The program was implemented
for two three-year phases, respectively in 2013-2015 and 2017-2019. It had brought altogether 18
Chinese historians of US history to the United States to attend OAH annual meetings and conduct
research in their fields. It had also sent altogether 18 US historians to China to hold 18 one-week summer seminars in 12 Chinese universities across China. The topics of the seminars ranged from immigration history, racial politics, history of American women and family, history of American foreign policy, Cold War history, cultural diplomacy, U.S. constitutionalism, social history of medicine, environmental history, history of the American South and history of American graduate education. Jointly 297 Chinese graduate students and early-career faculty of American history and American studies took part in these seminars.

Dr. Xu, Guangqiu, visiting Professor of Lingnan University in Hong Kong, published his article, “Dr. Peter Parker and the Canton Hospital, 1835-1855,” Journal of Presbyterian History 97 (Spring/Summer 2019): 16-26.

He was invited to give a presentation titled "The Impact of News Media on U.S. Foreign Policy" at the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing in May 2019.

Dr. Xu, Xiaoqun, Professor of History at Christopher Newport University, published a co-authored article: Yin Xu and Xiaoqun Xu, "Global Circulation and Local Adaptation of Tax Models: Business Tax in China, 1931-1949," Accounting History Review (London: Routledge/Taylor Francis Group), Vol. 29, No. 3:1-22

Dr. Yao, Ping, Professor of History at California State University Los Angeles, co-edited a book, Chinese Funerary Biographies: An Anthology of Remembered Lives, which will be published by University of Washington Press in December 2019. The anthology is an expansion of the papers and translations submitted to the ACLS funded workshop, "Records of the Dead, Records for the Living: Reading Muzhiming," held in LA in May 2017, co-organized by Dr. Yao and Dr. Cong Ellen Zhang of University of Virginia. Dr. Zhang is also a CHUS member. Dr. Patricia Ebrey also participated in the compilation of the anthology.