Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain Annual General Meeting March 2019

Report on Large Grants Committee

1. Membership:

The current membership of the large grants committee is:

Andrea English, Amanda Fulford, David Lewin, Anders Schinkel (Chair), Emma Williams

David Lewin will be coming to the end of his (3-year) term this year, so we are seeking to appoint one new member. Anders Schinkel will be stepping down as chair but remain a member for another year.

2. Doctoral studentships:

The Large Grants budget this year, like last year, was £15,000 and it was again decided to limit our awards to PhD studentships. This budget does not include the British Academy/Leverhulme/PESGB Grants which are also supported (see below).

During the 2019-20 funding competition only 6 applications were received requesting a total of just under £22,000. The call went out somewhat later than usual this year (December 12th) but it also closed a bit later (January 21st), so it is doubtful that this fully explains the drop compared to last year(14 applications). The smaller number of applications made the reviewing a lighter task; nevertheless, the chair wishes to thank the committee for taking time out of their busy schedules to review the applications.

The following students have been awarded studentships for the 2019-20 academic year:

- Marc Deegan
- So Young Lee
- John McCall
- Elizabeth O'Brien
- Relve Spread

3. British Academy/Leverhulme/PESGB Grants

Since 2017 PESGB has been in partnership with the British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant scheme to support research in philosophy of education. This funding is intended 'to facilitate initial project planning and development; to support the direct costs

of research; and to enable the advancement of research through workshops or conferences, or visits by or to partner scholars.' Applicants may seek support for any combination of eligible activity and cost up to the overall limit of £10,000.

In 2018, as in 2017, PESGB did not receive suitable proposals through the scheme. In view of this we have had a consultation within the committee, with former chairs of the committee, and with Naomi Hodgson (treasurer) about the best way to proceed with funding for large grants in the future.

Anders Schinkel March 2019