

Early Medieval China Group

Annual Meeting

Sheraton Centre Hotel Toronto – Ice Palace

March 17, 2012

Attendees: Rosalind Bradford, Andrew Chittick, Al Dien, Michael Farmer, Ken Klein, Keith Knapp, Scott Pearce, Matthew Wells, Sujane Wu

President Keith Knapp called the meeting to order at 8:55pm.

Early Medieval China Editor's Report. Michael Farmer reported that EMC Volume 17 had been issued in December, with some minor editorial problems. A new production / managing editor at Maney has been appointed, however, so production of Volume 18 should be an easier process. The annual report from Maney Publishing Company provided the following statistics:

<u>Institutional subscriptions</u>		<u>Article downloads (online)</u>	
2010	69	2009	1645
2011	81	2010	5758
2012	81	2011	9641

The content for the next three issues is set. The issue for 2014, *EMC's* 20th anniversary issue, will be anchored with four articles on *Shishuo Xinyu*. It is possible that, beginning that year, the journal will move to two issues per year. There appears to be sufficient content to warrant such an expansion, the other issue being EMCG's finances.

In answer to Rosalind Bradford's question, Michael said that black-and-white illustrations are fully possible for articles and, with author subvention, color illustrations can be considered as well.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report. Ken Klein reported total receipts for the previous year of \$2692.02 and expenditures of \$2055.44, resulting in a balance of \$5033.92, an increase of \$636.58 over a year ago .

As of the beginning of March, there are seventy-four (74) current (paid) individual memberships.

In answer to Scott Pearce's question, Ken said that the number of institutional subscriptions has not reached the necessary threshold, so the Group has yet to receive any royalties from Maney.

Executive Board. Keith reported that Scott Pearce and Cynthia Chennault were elected to the EMCG Executive Board last year and two more will be elected in May. The Board will thus begin to be brought back in order, with regular rotations of participation from the active membership.

Six Dynasties Texts Report. Al Dien reported that the publication will include sixty entries, fifty-six of which have been completed. Three more will soon be sent from France and there is one more that is currently too long. Over the next few weeks, the volume should be completed. The chapters will be distributed to the authors for a quick turnaround review, after which it can be sent to the Center for Chinese Studies, at UC Berkeley.

Other business

Keith said that, due to the expansion of the AAS program, there was only one evening slot available for non-panel Saturday meetings this year. As a result, the Tang Studies and Early Medieval China Group meetings were scheduled at the same time. He suggested that we might consider scheduling next year's EMCG meeting for either Friday evening or as a Saturday lunch meeting.

Al reported that an organization for Early Medieval China studies had been formed in Taiwan, with two issues of articles already published.

Keith said that there a meeting at Qinghua University being organized for young Early Medieval China scholars from China, Taiwan, and Japan.

Al announced that he and Keith have agreed to edit the long-delayed Cambridge History of China, volume two, and bring it to publication.

Keith adjourned the meeting at 9:28pm.