



Minutes of the CAC Annual General Meeting May 13th 2016, 2:30 p.m.

*Salle des Promotions
Petit Séminaire, Quebec City, Quebec*

Agenda:

0. Mot de bienvenue / Word of welcome
1. Adoption de l'ordre du jour / Adoption of the Agenda
2. Procès-verbal de l'assemblée générale annuelle de 2015/ Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Assembly
3. Affaires en découlant / Business arising
4. Rapports / Reports
 - 4.1 Présidente / President
 - 4.2 Président sortant / Past President
 - 4.3 Vice-Président / Vice President
 - 4.4 Secrétaire / Secretary
 - 4.5 Trésorière / Treasurer
 - 4.6 Directrice de *Phoenix* / Editor of *Phoenix*
 - 4.7 Directeurs de *Mouseion* / Editors of *Mouseion*
 - 4.8 Editor of the *Bulletin* / Directeur du *Bulletin*
 - 4.9 Présidente du Caucus des étudiants aux cycles supérieurs / Chair of the Graduate Student Caucus /
5. Rapport du comité des candidatures et élection des membres du Bureau, du Conseil et des comités / Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Officers, Council Members, and Committee Members
6. Prix du Mérite / Award of Merit
7. Prix pour la meilleure présentation par un étudiant / Prize for the best graduate paper
8. Divers / Any other business
9. Installation du nouveau président / Installation of the new President
10. Levée de l'assemblée / Adjournment

Minutes:

0 Word of Welcome

The President, Bonnie MacLachlan, welcomed the members and asked them to observe a minute of silence for Duncan Fishwick, former Honorary President of the Association, who had passed away on August 6th 2015.

1 **Agenda**

Motion: That the agenda be approved as circulated; moved by Kristin Lord, seconded by David Mirhady. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

2 **Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting**

Motion: That the minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting be approved. Moved by Guy Chamberland; seconded by Michele George. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

3 **Business arising**

None.

4.1 **Report of the President**

Bonnie MacLachlan reported on the Heads' Meeting held on Tuesday. She pointed out that the Classics program at the University of Prince Edward Island was going to be closed with the retirement of its only full-time faculty member, David Buck. At Trent, the Department of Ancient History and Classics was about to be closed as well, but the Classics program will survive though the new administrative structure was unknown at the time of this meeting.

The President thanked Riccardo Bertolazzi for the completion of his term as Chair of the GSC. She also stressed the key role of the Local Representatives over the past year in collecting data on departmental personnel, Greek and Latin teaching, etc. The CAC Council has struck a language committee to investigate the situation of Greek and Latin teaching in Canadian universities.

One of the other priorities of Council is to investigate the situation of recent PhD graduates who are un- or underemployed. The Association will continue to work on ways to assist them, for example by maintaining and perhaps expanding its travel assistance fund to attend the Annual Conference.

Bonnie MacLachlan pointed out that there was as yet no host for the 2019 Annual Conference. She invited anyone interested to come forward, express their concerns, etc.

4.2 **Report of the Past President**

Patrick Baker reminded the membership that the Past President chairs three committees: the Award of Merit Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the Committee adjudicating the Prize for the Best PhD Dissertation. This last Committee will be chaired by Bonnie MacLachlan as incoming Past President. Department and programme Chairs were invited to submit the best dissertations defended in their department between July 2014 and June 2016.

The Past President will return later to report on the activities of the Nominating Committee and Award of Merit Committee.

4.3 **Report of the Vice President**

Mark Joyal thanked the members of the Equity Committee which he chaired *ex officio*: Lisa Trentin, Émilie-Jade Poliquin, Riccardo Bertolazzi, and Thierry Petit. The main task of the committee this past year was to create a survey through SurveyMonkey. Much

data remained to be collected with the assistance of the local representatives, whom he thanked. Once the survey is completed, the results will be sent for publication in the *CCB*.

The Vice President then thanked the members of the Awards Committee: Maggie Rogow and Philip Snider (Grace Irwin Award); Fanny Dolansky, Pauline Ripat, Bruce Robertson, and Florence Yoon (Conacher Scholarship and Graduate Student Paper Prize).

There was one excellent application for the Grace Irwin Award, submitted by Margaret Ann Gillis. Her essay will be posted on the website and a notice will be published in the *CCB*. There were 10 applicants for the Desmond Conacher Award. The winner will be announced in the fall once s/he starts his/her M.A. program. Fourteen submissions for the GSPP had been received by the deadline. Five papers were shortlisted by the Committee whose task was made difficult by the high caliber of the papers. Caitlin Hines of the University of Toronto won the \$100 prize for her paper, "Ekphrasis and the Mind's Ear: The Play of Sound in the Aspis". An honourable mention was awarded to Sandra Fleury for her paper, "Entre paroxysme sonore et visuel: les cas de Déméter et Dionysos".

4.4 Report of the Secretary

For their reports throughout the year Guy Chamberland thanked: Kathy Simonsen, Ben Kelly, Conor Whately (Lecture Tours); Liz Greene (Undergraduate Essay Contest); Rob Nau (Sight Translation Contest); Jaelyn Neel, Rebecca Nagel, Patricia Fagan, Louis L'Allier, and Diana Pai (adjudicators of the Sight Translation Contest). All those reports were presented by the Secretary at Council meetings over the year.

The secretary invited the members to inform their students about the Undergraduate Essay Contest. The CAC website provides all the necessary information under the tab "Activities".

4.5 Report of the Treasurer

Pauline Ripat thanked the members for their generous donations in 2015. She pointed out that an important issue to be discussed by the Council over the next several months will be to create a more stable travel fund to assist recent PhD graduates who are un- or underemployed but wish to present a paper at the annual conference. The Treasurer then presented the Financial Statement for the year 2015.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Financial Statement be approved. Moved by Pauline Ripat; seconded by Alison Keith. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

4.6 Report of the Editor of *Phoenix*

Michele George thanked the staff and members of the Editorial Board. She pointed out that there were now four Editors of the Supplementary Series since Patrick Baker and Thierry Petit had joined Jonathan Edmondson and Alison Keith as Editors of French submissions. A poster about the addition of a French "stream" will soon be distributed.

Motion: That the Report and Financial Statement of the Editor of *Phoenix* be approved. Moved by Michele George; seconded by Bruce Robertson. **Discussion:** The Editor pointed out that the financial situation of the journal was very good because of an

increase in the number of subscribers and an advantageous rate of exchange between the Canadian and American dollars. A GIC will be set up specifically to help defray the cost of publication since the Press cannot do it without a subvention. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

Michele George pointed out that a committee chaired by Jeremy Trevett had been set up to search for a new editor as her 5-year term was nearing completion. She then announced that the fourth winner of the Mary White Prize for the best paper published over the past year in *Phoenix* (\$500) was Karine Schlapbach for her paper “Music and Meaning in Longus’ Daphnis and Chloe: The Inset Tales in Their Performative Settings”, *Phoenix* 69 (2015) 79–99.

4.7 Report of the Editors of *Mouseion*

Peter O’Brien thanked Brad Levett for his term as Editor of *Mouseion*. He then reported on the work accomplished under his guidance and on recently published and forthcoming fascicles. The proceedings of the first *Mouseion* colloquium will be published and all the papers had already been sent to referees. A number of other special issues were in various stages of preparation.

Peter O’Brien thanked the board in his and Kathy Simonsen’s name: Myles McCallum, Guy Chamberland, Craig Maynes, and Hans vanderLeest.

Starting with Volume 13 (2016), the publication year of the journal has been updated to correspond to the current year. Issues will now be published on a fixed March–July–November schedule. The *Mouseion* board has also been discussing a new submission platform and a marketing plan.

Motion: That the Report and Financial Statement of the Editors of *Mouseion* be approved. Moved by Peter O’Brien; seconded by Michele George. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

4.8 Report of the Editor of the *Bulletin*

Guy Chamberland reported that the number of subscribers was over 800. About 200–250 of those were not CAC members, but giving access of the *CCB* to all is cost free and allows for more people in the general public to be informed about the activities of the Association. The Editor then asked members to make sure that obituary notices were forwarded to him. Ideally, a summary of their academic and scholarly achievements should be provided since such information is rarely included in standard obituaries. Members should also remember to send notices of their new books.

4.9 Report of the Chair of the Graduate Student Caucus

As Cassandra Tran could not attend the meeting, Bonnie MacLachlan stressed the important role of the GSC in the Association. She also said a word about the GSC web and Facebook pages.

5 Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Officers and Council Members

Patrick Baker pointed out that four new Council members needed to be elected as well as a new Vice President. He thanked the members of the Award of Merit Committee for 2015/16: Adam Kemezis, Debra Nousek, and Kathy Simonsen. With himself as Chair,

each region of the country was represented on the Committee. Likewise, the Committee should always select candidates so that genders, the two official languages, and every region of the country are adequately represented.

The Past President then presented the slate of candidates for election as Council members: Ilaria Battiloro, Sean Corner, Émilie-Jade Poliquin, and David Mirhady (whose candidacy was formalized after the report was uploaded on the website for consultation). The Committee was also pleased that Alison Glazebrook had agreed to stand for election as Vice President. Finally, Sandra Fleury was nominated as the member-at-large to serve on the Equity Committee. Patrick Baker asked whether any member from the floor wished to join the Equity Committee, but none came forward.

Motion: That the Report of the Nominating Committee be approved. Moved by Patrick Baker, seconded by Christer Bruun. **Discussion:** Christer Bruun asked that the nominees who were present in the room come forward. They were received with a round of applause. **Vote:** Carried *nem. con.*

6 Award of Merit

Patrick Baker thanked the members of this committee: Léopold Migeotte, Selina Stewart, and Cathy Bolton (substituting for Allison Glazebrook after she was nominated for a seat on the Executive). He announced that there had been two nominations but that the Committee unanimously agreed to grant the Award of Merit for 2016 to Alison Keith. The Past President then invited Jonathan Edmondson to present the Award. Among many of her contributions, J. Edmondson stressed that Allison Keith was an internationally respected scholar, that she had served the Association with distinction as Vice President, President, and Past President (2008–2014) and in many other capacities as well, and that she was the author of three major monographs. The presentation of the award was received with a round of applause.

7 Prize for the best graduate paper

Mark Joyal presented the Prize for the best graduate student paper to Caitlin Hines of the University of Toronto for her paper, “Ekphrasis and the Mind’s Ear: The Play of Sound in the *Aspis*”. This was received with a round of applause.

8 Any other business

Reyes Bertolín reminded the members present that the 2018 Conference would take place in Calgary – unless, that is, funds could be released to hold it instead in Cancún, Mexico. Craig Maynes announced that the tentative dates for the 2017 Conference in Saint John’s were 9th–11th May.

9 Installation of the new President

Bonnie MacLachlan presented the new President of the Association, Mark Joyal. The new President thanked his two predecessors, Patrick Baker and Bonnie MacLachlan. This was received with a round of applause. Mark Joyal then pointed out that the CAC Council and Executive took its initiatives from its members and that the Association thrived because of their generous support. He invited the members to submit their papers to the Association’s two journals, to attend the Tour lectures, become life members, donate, and participate in the Annual Conferences.

10 Adjournment

Motion: That the Annual General Meeting be adjourned. Moved at 4:11 p.m. by Jonathan Edmondson, seconded by David Mirhady.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a diamond shape, likely representing the name Guy Chamberland.

Guy Chamberland
Secretary
April 11th 2017