

**ASSOCIATION OF CANADIAN MAP LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES/
ASSOCIATION DES CARTOTHÈQUES ET ARCHIVES
CARTOGRAPHIQUES DU CANADA**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MCGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL, QUEBEC
MAY 11TH, 2007**

1.0 Establishment of Quorum; Call to Order

Quorum has been reached; meeting called to order at 2:20 pm.

2.0 Opening Remarks

ACMLA President David Jones opened the Annual General Meeting and welcomed members to the 40th Anniversary meeting of ACMLA. The President thanked the members of the Local arrangements committee (Rosa Orlandini, Josee Lambert, Jean-Francois Palomino, and Stefano Biondo) and the Program Committee (Marcel Fortin, Larry Laliberte, Richard Pinnell, and Colleen Beard) for organizing this terrific conference.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.
(Lori Sugden, Richard Pinnell) CARRIED

4.0 Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting, which was held on June 20th, 2006 were previously circulated and published in the ACMLA *Bulletin* No.127. They are also available on the ACMLA website. These were approved.
(Cheryl Woods, Trudy Bodak) CARRIED

5.0 Business Arising

There were no items under Business Arising.

6.0 President's Report [David Jones]

President David Jones directed members to the President's Report now available on the ACMLA website. The President also commented on the division of the 1st Vice President responsibilities following Marc Cockburn's resignation in October 2006. The Conference responsibilities and reporting of the Map Users Advisory Committee were assumed by the Second Vice President. The other responsibilities were taken on by the President. The reports of 1st Vice President are subsumed in the other reports.

6.1 Membership

Erin Forward from University of Ottawa has agreed to replace Beth Ray as Membership Chair. Thanks were extended to Beth Ray for her work as Membership Chair, and to Erin for her commitment.

6.2 Executive Board

In addition to the 1st Vice President's position, two other members are leaving the ACMLA Executive Board. Marcel Fortin and Susan Mowers are stepping down from their positions as Past President, and Treasurer respectively. The President thanked Marcel and Susan for their hard work and contributions to the ACMLA Executive.

7.0 2nd Vice President's Report [Colleen Beard]

7.1 Map Users Advisory Committee

Colleen Beard applauded MUAC led by Susan Mowers and Heather McAdam for putting ACMLA in a renewed valued relationship with NRCan. There was discussion on how to sustain the momentum for ongoing communication.

As suggested by NRCan, it was agreed that a working forum be established. This group could advise NRCan on the mapping program planning issues. It was suggested that a CCA member also be involved to represent the academic community. More information is needed on how many groups could be involved.

7.2 Surplus of Historical Map Facsimiles

Colleen Beard raised the issue of the Historical Map Facsimiles in regards to the storage issue at LAC. Colleen thanked LAC for the temporary storage of the historical maps that must now be relocated. The University of Alberta has agreed to store the maps on the condition the inventory be reduced from 50 to 15 boxes, approximately 7,000 maps in total, but did not include the Birds Eye Views and the popular sellers.

The Executive asked for feedback on how to best reduce the inventory. It was made clear that the reduction should not create more work for the staff involved, including those at LAC. Several suggestions were made, including donations to distributors, book exchange, high schools and members; selling on E-Bay; and shredding was suggested as a desperate measure.

Discussion ensued. Maxine Tedesca offered to investigate the possibility of storing the entire stock at University of Lethbridge. However, reduction of inventory is inevitable.

Action: Maxine Tedesca will investigate if University of Lethbridge could take the surplus stock. Colleen Beard will send dimensions of boxes/palettes.

Action: The Executive will work on a resolution.

7.3 Web Site Redesign

A website redesign has taken place, but a lot of work still needs to be done. A sampling will be sent out by the Web Committee sometime soon.

8.0 Future Conferences [David Jones]

2008:

President David Jones reported that ACMLA has made tentative plans to bring the conference to Vancouver in 2008. Walter Piovesan at Simon Fraser

University has expressed interest in hosting us with help from Tim Ross.

2009:

James Boxall has invited ACMLA to Halifax for the 2009 conference. CCA is also interested in meeting with us.

2010:

CCA has asked ACMLA to meet with them in Regina in 2010, but no commitment has been made. Returning to Montreal is also another possibility.

Richard Pinnell asked if ACMLA was planning on meeting again with CAPDU, which might be considered the sister organization. It was agreed that we should let CAPDU know what we would like to do.

9.0 Secretary's Report [Andrew Nicholson]

9.1 Archivist

Secretary Andrew Nicholson outlined the current state of the ACMLA Archives. Material from 1967 to 1980 have been accessioned into LAC, but material since then remains unsorted and stored in approximately 12 to 15 file boxes in the Renfrew Building at LAC. The Archivist position has also remained vacant since last year, when Louis Cardinal retired from the position.

Although an honorarium was suggested for the position, many members were not comfortable with the idea. A partnership with an Archival program and recruiting students seemed a better choice. Contacting a retired ACMLA member for the task was another option.

Action: Andrew will follow up with asking a retired ACMLA Member.

10.0 New Business

10.1 ICA Report

Alberta Auringer Wood reported on recent activities of Canadian National Committee for the ICA. The Committee includes members from many map and cartographic organizations in Canada and would benefit from having another representative from ACMLA.

Alberta also reported that there was an opening for someone to participate in the Canadian Map Exhibit organized annually for the ICA conference. The Children's map competition could also use some help. Please contact Alberta if you are interested.

10.2 Business Plan Update [David Jones]

President David Jones indicated that the Business Plan was up on the web site and the Executive has reviewed it. The document will be updated shortly.

11.0 Treasurer's Report [Susan Mowers]

Treasurer Susan Mowers reported that since starting last summer, not all the documentation from the previous treasurer had been made available. Working with Marc Cockburn, much work has been accomplished. The Board is currently investigating a SSHRC cheque that has not been accounted for.

For the 2007 report, membership dues are still strong and publication sales are doing well.

It was moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. (Richard Pinnell, Heather McAdam) CARRIED

12.0 Proposed Budget

Treasurer Susan Mowers circulated the Proposed Budget. Questions included cost for upgrades to the website; possible shipping of surplus maps to University of Alberta; and an overly optimistic revenue projection from the Conference.

It was moved to accept the Proposed Budget as amended (Cathy Moulder, Lori Sugden) CARRIED

13.0 Other Business

The membership paused during the meeting to acknowledge the 40th Anniversary of the ACMLA, and to enjoy some cake.

Happy 40th Anniversary ACMLA!

14.0 Nominations Report

Past President Marcel Fortin was unable to attend

the meeting. Secretary Andrew Nicholson gave the Nominations Report for the 2007-08 ACMLA Executive Board.

President: Colleen Beard
1st Vice President: Dan Duda
2nd Vice President: Andrew Nicholson
Secretary: Wenonah Fraser
Treasurer: Susan Greaves
Past President: David Jones

It was moved that the new Executive Board be adopted:

(Richard Pinnell, Heather McAdam) CARRIED

15.0 Incoming President's Remarks

Incoming President Colleen Beard thanked the membership for their participation in the conference program.

Special thanks to Susan Mowers for her efforts involving the transition of the Treasurer's position, and to David Jones for his hard work as President.

Colleen Beard noted that there are many vacant positions on ACMLA committees, and that a new Publications Officer was also needed. If interested, please contact any member of the Executive. Contact information is on the web site.

The Board is looking forward to a challenging year.

16.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25.

