

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the
Canadian Association of Slavists
31 May 2008, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
(amended 24 May 2009)**

1. Welcome and Introductions.

The meeting came to order at 15:40 and was chaired by Paul Robinson

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Maxim Tarnawsky and seconded by Heather Coleman to approve agenda.
Carried.

3. Remembrance

Members stood for a minute of silence to remember members of CAS deceased since the last AGM: Alexandra Pawlowsky, Peter Brock, Bohdan Budurowycz and Taras Zakydalsky.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by Maxim Tarnawsky and seconded by Inna Tigountsova to approve minutes of the 2007 AGM held at the University of Saskatchewan. Carried.

5. Executive Reports

a. President's Report

Full text of the report is posted in PDF format at:
http://www.ualberta.ca/~csp/cas/reports/2008_President_Report.pdf

b. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

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*the reports of the CAS Executive were interrupted at this point by the presentation of CFHSS representatives (see below).

c. *Canadian Slavonic Papers*: Editor's Report

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Moved by Zina Gimpelevich and seconded by Marta Dyczok to approve reports as presented. Carried.

6. Presentations by the Canadian Federation of Humanities and Social Sciences

President Maureen Golfman
Executive Director Jody Ciufu

(the presentations occurred before the CSP Editor's Report)

7. Organizing Committee Report of 2008

Megan Swift reported on the preparations for the 2008 Congress at the University of British Columbia. On behalf of her co-chair on the Program Committee, Bozena Karwowska, she thanked all of the participants who made this year's CAS Annual Conference at the University of British Columbia a large and successful event. This year's conference was a record-setting event with 114 papers covering topics in Slavic languages, linguistics, film, culture and literature. Megan also acknowledged the help and advice she received from last year's Program Chair, Elena Baraban and invited conference participants to the banquet at Kerkis Greek Taverna.

8. Nominating Committee Report and Elections

The Chair of CAS Nominating Committee, Natalia Pylypiuk, presented the slate of candidates for the election. All positions were acclaimed with the exception of Members-at-Large.

Honorary President: Robert Karpiak (Waterloo)
President: Zinaida Gimpelevich (Waterloo)
Vice President: Elena Baraban (Manitoba)
Vice President: Megan Swift (Victoria)

Program Committee:
Chair: Andrea Chandler (2008-09), Carleton
Member: Alison Rowley (2009-10), Concordia
Member: Allan Reid (2010-11), UNB

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Olga Mladenova (Calgary), Linguistics

Members of Nominating Committee:
Natalia Aponiuk (Manitoba), Language & Literature
Denis Kozlov (Dalhousie), History

Election of Members at Large by secret ballot:

*Kees Boterbloem (South Florida), History
*Christopher Burton (Lethbridge), History
Marika Pruska-Carroll (Concordia), Political Science
Dejan Guzina, Wilfrid Laurier (Political Science)
*Tanya Richardson (Wilfrid Laurier), Anthropology
Julia Rochtchina (Victoria), Language & Literature
*Inna Tigountsova (Denver), Language & Literature
Waclaw Osadnik (Alberta), Language & Literature
*elected

Discussion: The issue of student representation on CAS Executive was raised by Connie Wawruck-Hemmet. The discussion concluded that a constitutional amendment is required to simplify the process of electing a student representative. The constitutional amendment is to be presented at the next AGM.

Moved by Kees Boterbloem and seconded by Stanislav Kirschbaum to accept the Nominating Committee report. Carried.

9. ICCEES report by Stanislav Kirschbaum

Professor Kirschbaum outlined the history of the International Council for Central and East European Studies and pointed out the CAS involvement in that organization and its executive for over thirty years. A long serving secretary of ICCEES (since 1980), Professor Kirschbaum appealed to CAS membership to find a new CAS representative to ICCEES. (After the AGM Andrii Krawchuk [University of Sudbury] volunteered to serve as CAS Representative at ICCEES)

10. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.