

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF

SLAVISTS

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Treasurer's Report

May 1, 1996 - April 30, 1997

1. General Financial Picture

CAS is still financially healthy. But the organization's financial health is in jeopardy. Our dues to the new federation are up (\$2,160 this year, \$1,736 last year), our grant from them is down very sharply. Last year it was \$3,311. This year it was \$1,656. Next year it will, presumably, be zero.

The Association's Treasurer's office expenses (xeroxing, postage, telephones, stationary) were absorbed by the <u>Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies Press</u>, for which the Association is grateful.

CAS finances are clearly divided between the *CSP* office in Edmonton and the treasurer's office in Toronto. *CSP* gets membership dues. The treasurer receives SSHRC funds and can call (according to established custom in the Association) on up to \$3,000 of dues receipts, if necessary. Once again there was no need for the \$3,000 transfer of dues from *CSP* this year. With the reduced grant from SSHRC, the treasurer will likely call on these moneys in the next year.

2. SSHRC Grants

We received \$5,400 from SSHRC, \$1,656 for our expenses and \$3,744 for travel.

3. Travel Fund

The travel fund was in balance this year. In order to stay within our budget, it was necessary to reduce grant allocations by an additional 47% (from our target allocations of 75% for students, retirees and unemployed members and 50% for others). This is much higher than in previous years. Next year, the AGM location in Ottawa will mean large demands from the west, but lower demands from Toronto, which, I feel, should be excluded along with all of Ontario and Quebec.

4. The CAS Fund

The CAS Fund has made its customary \$1,000 contribution to the Travel Fund. Since this is less than the income from interest, the Fund's balance will not be diminished.

Maxim Tarnawsky May 31, 1997