



## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

June 3, 2019, Hennings 200, UBC

Prepared by Mark Terry

Meeting began at 16:45.

Attendance: 28

### **Opening Remarks: JESSICA TSUI-YAN LI, President**

Jessica welcomed members and gave her thanks for the work and contributions of each member of the Executive Committee. She also had her son Alex present a special card of thanks to outgoing Treasurer Paul Morris.

### **Report by JOSHUA SYNENKO, Vice-President**

Joshua began by thanking the local organizer, Mustafa Karayilan, and Bao in the Centre for Comparative Literature at the University of Toronto for once again designing the program this year. He then presented the statistics on this year's program:

Total participants: 86 (registered: 79)

- individual applicants: 34
- individual speakers on prepared panels: 26
- individuals on roundtables: 13
- individuals on joint panels: 13

Student/unwaged: 43

Retired: 5

International: 19

Open University of Hong Kong  
Baptist University of Hong Kong  
Hang Seng University of Hong Kong  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

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University of Maryland, USA  
University of Arizona, USA  
University of Pittsburgh, USA  
Harvard University, USA  
Central Washington University, USA  
SUNY Buffalo, USA  
Eastern Kentucky University, USA (x2)  
University of Management and Technology, USA

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University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria  
United Arab Emirates University, UAE  
University of Rondonia, Brazil (x2)  
Humboldt University, DE  
Eskişehir Osmangazi University, Turkey

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Partnerships/sponsorships (5):

- Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English (ACCUTE)
  - Keynote speaker, 3 joint panels
- Canadian Association of Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (CACLAS)
  - Keynote speaker
- Canadian Society for Digital Humanities (CSDH)
  - 1 joint panel
- Association for Canadian and Québec Literatures (ACQL)
  - 1 joint panel
- Canadian Association of University Teachers of German (CAUTG)
  - Keynote speaker

### **Report by PAUL MORRIS, Treasurer**

This year has been an unusual one on account of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, but Paul reported that he is nevertheless leaving the association in sound financial shape when he steps down this summer. He went over the following statement:

#### **Balance Forward:**

- May 28, 2018 7,894.98

#### **Expenditures:**

- Andrew Parkin's Poetry Reading 250.00

• CFHSS 2019 Membership Dues	603.30
• CFHSS Conference Expenditures	468.25
• ICLA Membership Dues	460.00 (USD)
• Conference Soirée (Regina)	383.36
• Keynote Speaker Fees	250.00
• Conference Reimbursements for Students (2018)	3,176.41
• Esther Cheung Award	250.00
• <i>Transverse</i> Journal Contribution	250.00
• CCLA Cheques (Bank of Nova Scotia)	149.54
• 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Materials	1,134.93
• Wordpress (complit.ca)	396.00

**Deposits:**

• Membership Fees (ongoing)	
• CRCL (for 2017 conference reimbursements for students)	2,813.60

**Outstanding Payments to be Received:**

• University of Toronto Press (advertisement 2019)	100.00
• Donation from Ryerson University (2017 conference)	714.00
• CRCL Donation for the Grad Students Reimbursements	3,176.41

**Outstanding Payment to be Paid:**

• Payment for Graphic Art work	500.00
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**Current Balance:**

• <b>May 28, 2018</b>	<b>6,544.82</b>
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**Membership:** Currently active members (approximately): 80

Paul thanked the *CRCL* for its ongoing support, without which we would not be in a position to reimburse graduate students' travel expenses to the extent we do. He explained the process and asked that those who are eligible to send him their receipts for transportation, registration and accommodation by email. They can expect their reimbursement in August.

**IRENE SYWENKY, *Canadian Review of Comparative Literature* Journal Report:**

Irene detailed the issues in the works and went over the journal's budget:

Issue 46.2: Special Issue

Issue 46.3: General Issue

Issue 46.4: Special Issue in honour of E.D. Blodgett (guest editors Manijeh Mannani and Evelyne Gagnon)

**Funds (as of May 30, 2019):**

SSHRC: \$35,000

Operating account funds after commitments: \$51,784.86

Full SSHRC funding for three years: \$104,000

**MARKUS REISENLEITNER, Election of New CCLA Executive:**

A motion was made by Paul Morris to discharge the current executive and was seconded by Albert Braz. A new election took place, identifying candidates willing to run for the available positions. Here are the results:

President:	Joshua Synenko
Vice-President:	Doris Hambuch
Treasurer:	Jerry White
Communications:	Mark Terry
Early Career Scholar Rep:	Laurence Sylvain
Members at Large:	Jack Hang-tat Leong Lee Campbell Albert Braz Paul Morris
Translator:	Jeanne Mathieu-Lessard
Website:	Susan Ingram (who invited those present with expertise in online databases to join her in forming a web team)

All members were elected unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:00. All present were encouraged to attend the soirée at Biercraft, a pleasant 20-minute walk away in comfortable shoes.