

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 30 May 1998, 3:30 p.m.
PRZ 121, Pérez Hall, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario

Attendance:

Jennifer Bain	SUNY Stony Brook
Jack Behrens	University of Western Ontario
Jean Boivin	Université de Sherbrooke
William Bowen (CUMR English Editor)	University of Toronto
Melinda Boyd	University of British Columbia
Gordon J. Callon	Acadia University
Aris Carastathis	Lakehead University
Glen Carruthers (Chair - Standing Committee)	Lakehead University
Alexandre Colpa	New York University
James Deaville (Treasurer)	McMaster University
Beverley Diamond	York University
Leonard Enns	Conrad Grebel College, University of Waterloo
Joan Evans	Wilfrid Laurier University
Alan Gillmor	Carleton University
John Glofcheskie	Douglas College
Tom Gordon (Vice-President)	Bishop's University
Susan Greene	Indiana University
Anne Hall (Past-President)	Wilfrid Laurier University
Edward Jurkowski	University of Lethbridge
Helmut Kallmann	Retired (National Library of Canada)
Elaine Keillor	Carleton University
Sherry Lee	University of British Columbia
Sandra Mangsen	University of Western Ontario
Charles Morrison	Wilfrid Laurier University
Laurel Parsons	University of British Columbia
Roxane Prévost	University of Western Ontario
Paul F. Rice	Memorial University of Newfoundland
Johanne Rivest (Secretary)	Independant (Montreal)
Marc-André Roberge (CUMR French Editor)	Université Laval
Jeffrey L. Stokes	University of Western Ontario
Gary Tucker	Mount Allison University
Maureen Volk (President)	Memorial University of Newfoundland
Andrew Zinck (CUMS online Editor)	University of Prince Edward Island
Ireneus Zuk	Queen's University

Maureen Volk called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., 30 May 1998.

1. Approval of the agenda

Elaine Keillor, seconded by Charles Morrison, moved the approval of the agenda.
Carried.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 14 June 1997

Gary Tucker, seconded by Tom Gordon, moved the approval of the minutes of the meeting of 14 June 1997.
Carried.

3. Business arising

No business arising from the minutes of 14 June 1997.

4. Reports

a) Board of Directors (Maureen Volk)

The Board met twice this year (1997-98), at Memorial University of Newfoundland during the June 1997 meeting, and in Toronto on 26-27 September 1997. Many exchanges and decisions were made via e-mail. Becker Associates took over the duties of running the central office of CUMS this year.

There are a few changes in the Board personal: Marc-André Roberge agreed to continue as French Editor (1 year); James Deaville is leaving as a Treasurer and is replacing William Bowen as the English Editor (3-year term); Leonard Enns will become the interim Treasurer until June 1999. Tom Gordon will be the program chair for the conference at Bishop's University next year.

The Toronto 2000 meeting will take place in November, rather than during Spring. It will include the participation of many other musical societies, such as CMS, SMT, AMS, etc. The Program Chair will be Alan Gillmor, and the Program Committee representative will be Beverley Diamond. We are still looking for a Local Arrangements Chair.

The Fall Newsletter will include a fall for nominations to the Board in 1999. New officers will be required as President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chair of the Standing Committee of Institutional Members.

b) Membership (Tom Gordon)

This year was one of transition with complications in the mailing, due to delays in preparation of the database, the November postal strike and the January ice storm. Many renewals came after the close of our financial year, which explains a decline of membership for the 1997-98 year. This year, members will receive the Call for Papers and renewal forms by September 1st. One of the advantage of renewing early is to receive the password for the restricted portion of the CUMS-web site.

c) Finance (James Deaville)

Reimbursement forms were distributed, as well as copies of the financial statements. For participants in the conference, original receipts should be sent along with the reimbursement form, because of the SSHRC policy. As in the past, it is possible to get only partial reimbursement, but students will be reimbursed at a higher level than faculty. The percentage is determined according to the requests received. The deadline is July 1st. It was a difficult year for CUMS with an apparent deficit of \$12,000. However, a deficit of \$9000 was already anticipated by the Board last year. The extra \$3000 is simply a bookkeeping matter. Administrative support from SSHRC was lost and Memorial was an expensive conference location. It was a year of transition, where the databases were taken over by Becker Associates. CUMR did better than CUMS last year.

Next year, there will not be a September Board meeting, like last year. Becker will do more and there are no problems foreseen for renewal.

James Deaville, seconded by Anne Hall, moved that CUMS will employ the auditor Steinberg and Shatzker. Carried.

James Deaville, seconded by Aris Carastathis, moved the acceptance of the report. Carried.

d) Standing Committee of Institutional Members (Glen Carruthers)

The Program Evaluation Committee (PEC) comprised Réjean Poirier (Université de Montréal), Fordyce Pier (University of Alberta) and the chair of the Standing Committee of Institutional Members. The PEC recommended to the Standing Committee that Université de Sherbrooke become a full institutional member of the Society. The Standing Committee accepted the PEC's recommendation unanimously.

The 1998-99 program evaluation committee will comprised Edward Jurkowski (University of Lethbridge), Réjean Poirier and the chair of the Standing Committee of Institutional Members. It will review applications for institutional membership.

Twenty-one invitations were sent to institutions. One response has been received so far. Other letters will be sent shortly. Several associate institutional members are now eligible to apply for full institutional membership.

e) Canadian University Music Review (William Bowen, Marc-André Roberge, Glen Carruthers)

e.1) English Editor (William Bowen)

CUMR had a good year both in terms of its management and the high standard of the published articles. One of the highlights was the special issue edited by Susan Fast and James Deaville who deserve our sincere thanks.

Issue 18/2 will be mailed before the end of this summer. It will reflect the optimal size of the Review now that we have eliminated the backlog of articles. In the future, the Review will be able to offer very timely publication of articles which are accepted (about 50% of the articles submitted).

The editors and members of the Editorial Board of CUMR, the Executive of CUMS, and the individual members who contributed by assessing articles were thanked for their support during the past year.

e.2) French Editor (Marc-André Roberge)

No. 18/2 will include two articles in French. French articles are submitted regularly, but not in great number. Two-thirds of the articles submitted are published. The Editor would like to see more people interested in writing book reviews. Marc-André Roberge thanked William Bowen, who is leaving as English Editor, and welcomed James Deaville who is taking the position.

e.3) CD-online Editor (Glen Carruthers)

Three CD reviews are ready to be posted; three additional reviews will be received by the end of August.

There are two types of CDs that are reviewed: 1) those with Canadian content; and 2) those without Canadian content, but of particular interest to the Society's members.

Members are invited to send CDs for review to Glen Carruthers at Brandon University. The reviews will remain in the archives of the Society web site permanently.

f) Directory (Anne Hall)

The CUMS Directory was published this week. Members for 1997-98 may have a copy on request, free of charge, by writing Becker Associates. Henceforth, however, individual members will have to pay to have a printed copy (information about the price will be sent later). Institutional members will receive the Directory very soon with a request to correct the information concerning their institution. By the end of this summer, a correct version will be available online, for members only. A password, given to members after receiving their 1998-99 dues are received, will give access to the online Directory, which will be regularly updated.

g) Student Affairs (James Deaville)

Thanks to Geoff Martin (University of Ottawa) and Melissa West (McMaster University), the student session went very well. It was especially welcome that students organized and spoke at the session. Members are invited to send proposals for future student sessions.

5. CUMS Web site and discussion list (Andrew Zinck)

The web site includes the Directory and job announcements (free posting). Members are encouraged to subscribe to the discussion list, which is a source of information, especially with respect to the conference.

6. Newsletter: electronic format (notice of motion in Spring Newsletter)

Anne Hall, seconded by Andrew Zinck, moved that the Spring Newsletter will be published online. Defeated. All opposed.

7. Cooperation with CAML

It was said that CAML had three joint sessions in 1998 and that the Association is interested to join CUMS more closely.

Gordon J. Callon, seconded by Jeffrey L. Stokes, moved that the Board be encouraged to investigate the possibility of pursuing closer cooperation and an annual formation with CAML.

Carried.

8. Winner of 1998 George Proctor Prize (Marc-André Roberge)

This year was the 11th edition of the George Proctor Prize. Eleven texts were examined by a preliminary jury (Alan Gillmor, Gail Dixon, Harald Kreps and Gordon Smith). Four finalists were selected (Nancy Berman, Melinda Boyd, Sherry Lee and Laurel Parsons). The final jury (William Bowen, Nicole Labelle, Charles Morrison and Marc-André Roberge) selected two ex-aequo winners, Nancy Berman (McGill University) and Laurel Parsons (University of British Columbia). They will share equally the \$500.00 prize (\$250 each). Both students will have their travel expenses reimbursed. They are welcome to submit their papers in a revised form for publication to the English Editor. Their papers will then follow the normal procedure of evaluation.

9. Report from HSSFC (Elaine Keillor)

The public has misconceptions of what we do. Members are invited to write letters, do interviews, etc. to promote the value of humanities research. This year's congress was the first one organized by HSSFC; comments are welcome.

10. 1999 Conference, Bishop's/Sherbrooke (Tom Gordon)

The 1999 CUMS/SMUC conference will be held on June 9-12 in the Eastern townships. The local arrangements committee is made up of Jacynthe Harbec (Université de Sherbrooke) and Jack Eby (Bishop's University). The programme committee chair is Tom Gordon. The conference will be officially bilingual. Members are invited to propose joint sessions and thematic sessions with 2 to 3 papers per session.

Members will receive the Call for Papers by September 1st. Lennoxville is a small town and the hotel accommodation is limited. A list of Bed and Breakfast will be available online early next Fall. A shuttle will commute between the two universities.

11. Other business

After consultation, it was decided that credit cards (VISA) can be used to pay membership fees. However, there is an additional charge of 5% (3% charge by credit cards management, and 2% charge for Becker).

12. Adjournment

Paul F. Rice moved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanne Rivest, Secretary

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