Minutes of the CSDH/SCHN AGM

3 June 2015

In attendance, in addition to CSDH/SCHN members and our friends from ACH, were Uyen Ta, member relations office for the Federation; John Simpson, Compute Canada; and Jeremy Geelan and Crystal Sissons from SSHRC.

**Society business**

1. *Digital Studies* report presented via slide summary by Daniel O’Donnell
2. President’s business (Michael Sinatra)
   a. Elections results reported: Dominic Forrest (VP French); Constance Crompton (member at large); Brent Nelson (re-elected, secretary). The election for the grad student representative is still in process. Thanks to outgoing executive members: Christine McWebb (VP French), Matt Bouchard (grad student representative), Jon Saklofske (member at large).
   b. Congress-related items:
      i. Thanks to Jon Saklofske, this year’s program chair, and Stephane Levesque, local coordinator
      ii. Calgary next year: Jon Bath (Program Chair) and Michael Ullyot (Local Coordinator)
      iii. Ryerson in 2017: Stéfan Sinclair (Program Chair) and Jason Boyd (Local Coordinator)
   c. Susan Brown took over the chair to thank outgoing president, Michael Sinatra, for his two terms of service as president.
   d. Susan presented a motion to create a “past president” position, seconded by Michael Ullyot:
      Following the change to our constitution last year to have one sole president position, the question of continuity between the outgoing president and the new president would be best addressed by the creation of a past president position. This ex-officio position would last for one year and take effect at the end of the 3-year term of the president, if s/he is not reelected for another term.”
      The motion to create the position of “past president” was unanimously endorsed. The membership also endorsed amendments to the constitution document to reflect the changes approved last year and this year. The updated document can be viewed at http://csdh-schn.org/about/constitution/.
3. Treasurer’s report (slide summary from Michael Ullyot)
4. Awards committee (Dean Irvine): the Ian Lancashire award is tba.

**Other Information items**

1. A Job Slam information exchange was led by Brian Croxall from ACH.
2. Jeremy Geelan and Crystal Sissons from SSHRC presented information about the forthcoming Trans-Atlantic Platform program.
3. John Simpson presented information on opportunities with Compute Canada, encouraging everyone to sign up for an account.

Adjournment moved by Michael Ulyot

Submitted by Brent Nelson, secretary