

Canadian Association of Slavists Annual General Meeting
Saturday 14 May 2022, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
Zoom meeting

MINUTES

In attendance: Elena Baraban; Richard Bishop; Mark Conliffe; Joy Demoskoff; Dejan Guzina; Natalie Kononenko; James Krapfl; Andrii Krawchuk; Svitlana Kryz; Matvey Lomonosov; Lyudmila Parts; Hanna Protasova; Tanya Richardson; Alison Rowley; Megan Swift; Serhy Yekelchuk; Andriy Zayarnyuk
Regrets: Joe Schallert

- 1.0 Call to Order and Welcome
 - 1.1 Mark Conliffe greeted everyone and acknowledged the Indigenous peoples of all lands, noting the significance of the lands on which we are located and affirming our desire to build positive relations between all peoples.

- 2.0 A minute of silence to remember members of CAS who have passed away this year.
 - 2.1 David Schimmelpenninck was remembered.

- 3.0 A minute of silence to remember victims of the war in Ukraine.

- 4.0 Approval of the Agenda
 - 4.1 Mark gave instructions for voting in Zoom by using the buttons under “Reactions.” The green checkmark means “yes”; the red X means “no”; and the coffee cup is used to abstain. The raised hand can be used to ask questions.
 - 4.2 Additions to the agenda
 - 4.2.1 Mark proposed inserting a motion prior to the nominating committee report, that the constitution be revised to change the number of members-at-large from four to “at least four” and graduate student representatives from one student to “one MA student and one PhD student.”
 - 4.2.2 Alison Rowley moved acceptance of the amended agenda; James Krapfl seconded. *Motion carried.*

- 5.0 Approval of the Minutes of the 6 August 2021 Annual General Meeting (online)
 - 5.1 Svitlana Kryz moved the acceptance of the 2021 AGM minutes; Joy Demoskoff seconded. *Motion carried.*

- 6.0 Executive Reports
 - 6.1 President’s Report by Mark Conliffe
 - 6.1.1 Mark Conliffe presented his report: <https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/CAS-Presidents-Report-2022.pdf>

- 6.2 Secretary-Treasurer's Report by Joy Demoskoff
- 6.2.1 Joy Demoskoff presented her report: <https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/CAS-Secretary-Treasurers-Report-2021-22.pdf>. Elena Baraban moved that the report be adopted and that the 2020-21 CAS Fund interest (\$908.10) be distributed with next year's interest in the Graduate Student Travel Grant. Svitlana Krys seconded. *Motion carried.*
- 6.3 *Canadian Slavonic Papers* Editor's Report by James Krapfl
- 6.3.1 James Krapfl presented his report: https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/Editors_Report-2022.pdf
- 6.3.2 James encouraged CAS members to consider CSP as a venue for their research and invited them to propose book reviews, to ask their publishers to send their books for review, and to propose ideas for special sections. He also reminded everyone to download articles for research and teaching online, to give students links to the library site to download articles rather than providing PDFs, and to cite CSP articles whenever possible in their own research.
- 6.3.3 Megan Swift expressed thanks to James for all his work to maintain the quality of our journal.
- 6.3.4 Andrii Krawchuk suggested there might be a worthwhile outreach to make with the new French Association to invite contributions in French.
- 6.3.5 He also asked about Open Access and what it will mean for CSP. James noted that it costs £3000 to publish an article open access, so it is really pay to publish. This is being pushed hard in Europe, where many of our contributors come from, and SSHRC requires journals to be entirely open access in order to receive funding. The new contract with Taylor & Francis will take into account what happens if we have authors who need to publish open access. CSP is really a hybrid model. The question comes down to who is paying for it.
- 6.3.6 Clarification regarding assistance for Ukraine was also requested. On the slavists.ca website, there is a blue and gold button that takes you to the support for Ukraine page.
- 6.3.7 Alison Rowley moved approval of the report of the editor of CSP; Andrii Krawchuk seconded. *Motion carried.*
- 6.4 2022 Program Chair's Report by Lyudmila Parts
- 6.4.1 Lyudmila Parts presented her report: https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/AGM-Report_Program_Chair-2022.pdf
- 6.5 CAS Representative to ICCEES Report by Andrii Krawchuk
- 6.5.1 Andrii Krawchuk presented his report: <https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022-Report-CAS-Rep-2ICCEES.pdf>
- 6.5.2 Andrii encouraged CAS members to send him updates regarding opportunities to support Ukraine as ICCEES is working to support communications across the international community.

- 6.5.3 Natalie Kononenko noted that the American Folklore Society and other groups offered free data storage for folklorists. She asked whether ICCEES would consider doing something similar for other disciplines. Andrii responded positively and requested that further details be sent to him.
- 6.6 CAS Representative to the International Committee of Slavists Report by Joseph Schallert
- 6.6.1 Joe Schallert's report is available here: <https://slavists.ca/wp-content/uploads/ICS-17-report-to-CAS-AGM-May-2022.pdf>
- 6.6.2 In his absence, Mark Conliffe proposed that folks send any questions for Joe to Mark by noon on Monday. He will forward them to Joe.
- 6.7 International Relations Committee Report by Megan Swift
- 6.7.1 The International Relations Committee had no new activities to report this year.
- 7.0 Amendment to the CAS Constitution
- 7.1 Andrii Krawchuk moved that the CAS revise the association's constitution to change the number of members-at-large from four to "at least four" and to change the graduate representatives from one student to "one MA student and one PhD student." This amendment will bring the constitution into line with our practice over the past few years. Seconded by Alison Rowley. *Motion carried.*
- 8.0 Nominating Committee Report by Alison Rowley
- 8.1 Mark expressed thanks to Elena Baraban, Svitlana Krys and Alison Rowley for this work.
- 8.2 Alison Rowley presented the following slate of nominees to the CAS executive. ****Positions that needed to be filled are denoted in red**** Positions in black were not up for re-election this year.

President, 2021-23

- *Mark Conliffe*, University of Calgary

Honorary President, 2021-23

- *Andrii Krawchuk*, University of Sudbury

Vice Presidents, 2022-23

- *Lyudmila Parts*, McGill University
- *Nigel Raab*, Loyola Marymount University

Secretary-Treasurer, 2020-23

- *Joy Demoskoff*, Briercrest College and Seminary

Editor, *Canadian Slavonic Papers*, 2021-23

- *James Krapfl*, McGill University

Members-at-large, 2022-23

- *Tanya Richardson*, Wilfrid Laurier University
- *Julia Rochtchina*, University of Victoria
- *Jeff Sahadeo*, Carleton University
- *Olena Sivachenko*, University of Alberta
- *Serhy Yekelchuk*, University of Victoria
- *Andriy Zayarnyuk*, University of Winnipeg

Nominating Committee Members, 2022-23

- *Alison Rowley*, Concordia University (Chair)
- *Aileen Friesen*, University of Winnipeg
- *Heather Coleman*, University of Alberta

International Committee of Slavists, 2018-23

- *Joseph Schallert*, University of Toronto

CAS Representative to ICCEES, 2020-23

- *Andrii Krawchuk*, University of Sudbury

International Relations Committee, 2019-24

- *Megan Swift*, University of Victoria

Graduate Student Representatives, 2022-23

- *Leah Rasmussen*, Carleton University
- *Isabelle Avakumovic-Pointon*, University of Toronto

Program Chair for CAS conference in 2023

- *Kate Holland*, University of Toronto

Local Arrangements Chair for CAS conference in 2023

- *Marko Stech*, University of Toronto

CAS Fund Committee (includes signing authority on CAS financial accounts)

- Joy Demoskoff (Secretary-Treasurer)
- James Krapfl (Editor of *Canadian Slavonic Papers*)
- Alison Rowley (Past-President of CAS)

8.3 Mark Conliffe moved that CAS adopt the slate of nominations, including a clarification in the minutes of the members of the CAS Fund Committee, thereby indicating who has signing authority on the CAS financial accounts. Seconded by Matvey Lomonosov. *Motion carried.*

8.4 Mark expressed thanks to all who have agreed to serve in these ways.

9.0 Other Business

- 9.1 Lana asked about the status of the student essay contest for this year. The committee decided not to give the award this year and is working to clarify the process.

10.0 Adjournment

- 10.1 Svitlana Krys moved adjournment and Andrii Krawchuk seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Note: Executive reports as well as the Minutes from the 2021 AGM are posted on our website (<https://slavists.ca/association/governance/executive-reports/>).