

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
CANADIAN CARTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION  
Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Via Zoom video call hosted by Christopher Storie, University of Winnipeg**

**Attendees:**

**Executive Committee and appointees:** Monica Lloyd (Outgoing President), Ted MacKinnon (Incoming President), Glenn Brauen (incoming VP) Julia Siemer (Outgoing Past President), Byron Moldofsky (Treasurer), Claire Gosson (Recording Secretary), Roger Wheate (Membership Coordinator), Anna Jasiak (Communication), Shane Doddridge (Student Representative), Emmanuel Stefanakis (Cartographica Editor)

**Other members:** Christopher Storie, Thomas Herbretau (CCA 2021 Fredericton), Jean Thie, Claus Rinner and three other members

**Total attendees: 17**

**Tabled documents:**

Notice of the meeting and links to the following documents were sent out to all members by email on Saturday August 8, 2020:

PROPOSED-CCA-Constitution-and-By-laws-2020\_07\_07.pdf

PROPOSED-CCA-Constitution-and-By-laws-2020\_07\_07\_version\_francaise.pdf

These documents included a cover letter explaining the need for the new constitution and by-laws and the proposed text.

The following documents were tabled and links provided online during the zoom AGM:

AGM\_2020\_agenda.pdf

AGM\_2020\_President\_Report.pdf

AGM\_2020\_Secretary\_Report.pdf

AGM\_2020\_Cartographica.pdf

CCA\_2019\_Financial\_Report\_2020\_07\_07.pdf

These documents are archived on the CCA website and will be made available to members upon request.

**1. Welcome and Reports: (Monica)**

Monica Lloyd welcomed all CCA members to our 2020 AGM. Monica will be Past President while Ted MacKinnon will become the current President after this meeting.

We had a successful 44<sup>th</sup> Annual conference in 2019 hosted by the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC). Roger was the conference organizer. The conference featured our Keynote Speaker Chris Brackley (As the Crow Flies Cartography). Chris was also the recipient of this year's Award of Distinction.

The conference for 2020 was planned for the University of Victoria in association with the Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG) and the Association of Map Libraries and Archives (ACMLA). Due to Covid-19 the conference for this year was cancelled.

In June 2020 the CCA hosted a Virtual Conference 'Mapping from Home'. Thank you to Christopher Storie for hosting this meeting via Zoom from the University of Winnipeg and Roger Wheate (UNBC). Talks and abstracts are highlighted on our webpages.

Also, thank-you to Ted MacKinnon and Anna Jasiak for the updates to the CCA website.

Monica would like to thank Byron Moldofsky and Roger Wheate for their mentorship during her time in office.

## **2. Treasurer's Report and Summary of Finances (Byron)**

**2019 Financial Year Report** was posted in July and is tabled at this meeting – available to members by request. First page has highlights and notable items:

- Total accumulated assets of the association remain at over \$50,000. In 2019 the association's total revenues exceeded expenditures by over \$500.
- Main revenue: Membership and Annual conference. Actual number of members stayed near constant in 2019, not including conference-related memberships. Conference broke even.
- We successfully awarded President's Prize, Best Presentation and Webmap awards in 2019 to deserving student recipients. Designated awards funds remained stable. We did not award the Nicholson scholarship.
- Term deposit GICs including those for specific funds continued to earn interest, although less than 2018 due to deferred interest on locked-in GICs.

### **Prospects for 2020**

The important achievement this year for Byron was the updating of the CCA Constitution. Byron would like to thank Julia Siemer and her husband for their assistance. The link to the updated Constitution is as follows:

[https://cca-acc.org/wp2020/wp-content/uploads/PROPOSED-CCA-Constitution-and-By-laws-2020\\_07\\_07.pdf](https://cca-acc.org/wp2020/wp-content/uploads/PROPOSED-CCA-Constitution-and-By-laws-2020_07_07.pdf)

Revision of the Constitution and by-laws was necessary to convert the Association to a non-profit corporation so we can accept money online for memberships, etc. This also required changing our bank account to a “commercial” account instead of a “community” account.

Since this year our conference has been cancelled due to COVID-19, no revenue will accrue from that or from its replacement, the Online Day of Presentations which took place June 10, 2020. Fortunately, we do not have any cash flow problem because of our accumulated funds – our financial picture looks essentially the same today as at the end of 2019.

I would like to put out a call the membership for creative and innovative ideas to build and grow the association. Please contact any of the executive with your ideas, and they will be well-received.

### **3. Membership Report: (Roger)**

Membership is steady ~ 100 for last several years, with a wee boost after each conference, Current: 93

Regular 46, Retired 21, Students 12, Institutions 8, Corporate 2, Honorary 2  
Cartographica - Print or Online: Members choose Print 42, Online 41, both 4

Renewals are sent at end of year, with reminders in the new year, prompt renewal is appreciated. In line with other associations not growing in numbers, we focus more on providing an open venue for cartography and cartographers to interact and spread ideas and information (see next)

### **June 10 'Mapping from Home' half day event**

This event resulted from the COVID-19 cancellation of the annual meeting planned in Victoria in May. Many thanks to the seven speakers from the CCA, ACMLA and CAG-GIS and almost 200 attendees. Almost 270 signed up and we might have hit our maximum if I had also sent the notice to maps-list. The chat column was hugely entertaining and informative in the comments on the talks, exchange of ideas and the friendly welcomes at the start. The most common theme was that we must do this more often and I would expect we will repeat this in 2021 whether or not we also hold a face to face conference. The reality is that many cannot get to a national conference in Canada due both to cost and time.

### **4. Cartouche: (Roger)**

We plan to assemble an issue this fall, highlighting the June 10 event and other happenings. The incoming VP is getting involved, so this will greatly assist the process. We have dropped from four issues per year in the pre-internet era, to two and more recently just one in most recent years. We invite any submissions for the current issue on member activities, ideas and research, or any items of interest. email: glenn.brauen@utoronto.ca or roger.wheate@unbc.ca

### **5. Cartographica: (Emmanuel)**

Emmanuel Stefanakis presented his report on Cartographica, available as a link on the CCA webpages upon request (AGM\_2020\_Cartographica.pdf)

The ICA has a new publication of the proceeding from their conference called the International Journal of Cartography. The ICA would still provide some articles for Cartographica as one of three affiliate Journals.

There is a need to attract more articles for Cartographica as well as have more guest-editors. There is also a need to connect the Journal to other conferences.

## **6. Website Update: (Ted)**

Ted announced that the CCA website has been updated since the Prince George Conference. The website is still a work in progress. Feedback on the website would be appreciated as well as more maps for the site.

Ted would like to thank Anna Jasiak for her assistance in updating the CCA website .

### **New Business:**

Voting was carried out through Zoom's voting application for all participants.

## **1. Election of Directors and Adoption of new Constitution and by-laws: (Monica)**

### **Motion #1: Moved by Monica Lloyd:**

*I move that the CCA accept the nominations of Ted MacKinnon as Incoming President, Glenn Brauen as incoming Vice-President and Byron Moldofsky as Treasurer.*

*Seconded by Byron Moldofsky*

There was no discussion; Motion is carried unanimously

### **Motion #2: Moved by Monica Lloyd:**

*Whereas an updated constitution and updated by-laws have been written to comply with requirements to incorporate the CCA as a non-profit corporation and whereas the constitution and by-laws were distributed to all CCA members in July (email file 2020\_proposed\_CCA Constitution and By-laws\_2020-07-07.pdf)*

*I move that we vote to adopt the new constitution and by-laws.*

*Seconded by Glenn Brauen*

The motion is carried unanimously.

**3. Monica thanks Julia Siemer for her time and service to the CCA.**

## **4. Volunteer Opportunities with the CCA (Monica)**

The CCA is looking for volunteers to chair and work on two Interest Groups:

Mapping Technologies and Spatial Data, and

Geovisualization and Map Design

We are also looking for volunteers to create website content such as blog posts, listings of interesting projects, etc..

## **5. Student Map Competition and Awards (Monica)**

### **Announcement of Award winners**

Monica announced the names of this year's Student Map Competition.

Brooke Hehr, University of Alberta (Web map award)

Jessica Budhoo, Ryerson University (President's Prize - University)

Thomas Zuberbuhler, Centre of Geographic Sciences (President's Prize - College)

Visit the web site to view the contest entries and winning map entries.

## **6. CCA2021- Fredericton/Virtual Conference and AGM (Thomas Herbreteau)**

### **Conference Theme "Connect the Dots for Multi-Dimension Mapping".**

May 25-27, 2021 In Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The invitation for submissions will be sent out to the membership in early 2021. The dates for receiving Abstracts will be February.

Early Bird Registration May 31<sup>st</sup> 2021.

## **7. Closing Remarks (Monica)**

Monica thanked everyone for participating in this year's Virtual AGM.

### **Adjournment**

Moved by Monica Lloyd and Seconded by Byron Moldofsky

Carried at 11:56 am EDT