

CANADIAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Université Laval
26 May 2001

1. Dr. Greg Kealey, Past-Past-President, introduced Dr. Chad Gaffield, President.

2. Dr. Gaffield delivered his presidential address.

3. **Call to Order**

Dr. Gaffield called the Annual General Meeting to order.

4. **Moment of Silence for Deceased Members**

Shaun Brown, Louise Dechêne, Olivier Fillion, Gordon W. Smith and David Wright

5. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Dr. Gaffield asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.
Moved. Seconded. Adopted.

6. **Adoption of the Minutes of 28 May 2000**

Dr. Gaffield asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the 2000 Annual General Meeting. Moved. Seconded. Adopted.

7. **Call for Nominations for Vice-President**

Dr. Gaffield called for any additional nominations for Vice-President. There were none. As a result, Dr. Gerald Friesen will be acclaimed as Vice-President for 2002-2003.

8. **President's Report**

Dr. Gaffield displayed an overhead listing the many volunteers who work for the CHA. He thanked them for their time and commitment to the Association.

Dr. Gaffield thanked outgoing Council members, Cynthia Neville, Ian McKay, Peter Baskerville and Past-President, Irving Abella, for their 3-year commitment. He thanked Joanne Mineault and Marielle Campeau for their dedication to the Association, to maintaining an efficient office in Ottawa.

Dr. Gaffield explained that in 2000-2001 the CHA undertook an ambitious Action Plan. While not everything was accomplished, the CHA achieved most of its goals.

The 1999 and 2000 volumes of the *Journal of the Canadian Historical Association* will appear in June 2001.

The CHA Web site has moved to a new location: www.cha-shc.ca. Under the leadership of Don Fyson, Director of Web Development for the CHA, the CHA is moving towards on-line registration and a "shopping-cart" model for the purchase of CHA products (booklets, journals, etc.)

This year the CHA will introduce a new feature in its annual programme. The President's Reception will also serve as a Gala where CHA prize winners will be announced and fêted. He thanked Cynthia Neville for organizing this event.

The CHA will continue to push the federal government to respond to the Report of the Expert Panel on Historic Census based on motions passed at the Council meeting.

Under the leadership of Marcel Martel, the CHA is now organizing the Clio Consortium, a lobby group made up of associations with a mutual interest in government policies and initiatives relating to historical research.

Under the leadership of Penny Bryden, the CHA is in the process of building a more effective organization of departmental chairs.

Dr. Gaffield stated that the Graduate Students Committee has experienced something of a renaissance under the leadership of Dominique Clément.

Dominique Clément quickly debriefed the AGM about some of the key activities--past and future--of the GSC, including the updating of the TA guide and a forthcoming survey of graduate students.

Dr. Gaffield thanked Ian Wilson and the National Archives of Canada for its continuous support of the CHA. Right now the CHA and the NAC are planning a fall 2001 conference on Privacy and Access to Information.

Ian Wilson briefly addressed the AGM about the many initiatives of the NA, including its expanded Web site.

Finally, Dr. Gaffield explained that the CHA must raise its membership fees. It is both a financial imperative and a matter of investing in ourselves. However, the CHA does not intend to raise the fees for students, non-waged or retired members.

9. Treasurer's Report

Dr. David Moorman tabled his report. For the fourth consecutive year, the CHA is running a deficit in its operating budget. For 2000-2001 it will run a deficit of \$19 000.

Dr. Moorman moved the adoption of the new membership fees for 2002:

Category/catégories

Professional/professionnel	95.00
General/général	60.00
Student and non-waged/ étudiant et non-salarié	25.00
Retired/retraité	35.00
Sustaining/soutien	115.00
Institution	105.00
Affiliated Society/ Société affiliée	50.00
Departments/départements	
- B.A./Baccalauréat	75.00
- M.A./Maîtrise	125.00
- Ph.D./Doctorat	175.00

Seconded. Unanimously Adopted.

Dr. Moorman moved the re-appointment of Kathy Greenlaw, CA, as the auditor of the CHA.

Seconded. Adopted.

9. Graduate Student Position on Council

Dr. Mary Vipond moved the following: "That there should be one member of the history graduate student community on the CHA Council, with full rights and responsibilities, elected for a two-year term."

Seconded. Adopted.

10. Report of the Nominating Committee

On behalf of the nominating committee Dr. Gaffield stated that this year's ballot was its report, and he thanked the members for their excellent work.

11. Election Results

Vice-President: Gerald Friesen.

Council: Denise Angers, Sean Cadigan and Cheryl Krasnick Warsh.

Nominating Committee: Ken Cruickshank and Lynne Marks.

12. Other Business

There was none.

13. Turning Over the Presidency

Dr. Gaffield turned over the presidency to Dr. Mary Vipond.

Dr. Vipond thanked Dr. Gaffield for his tremendous leadership this past year. As well, she pointed to some of the forthcoming activities, including the CHA's 80th Anniversary year.

