

**Editors' Association of Canada/Association canadienne des réviseurs  
Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2009  
89 Chestnut Conference Centre, Giovanni Room  
Toronto, Ontario  
June 6, 2009**

**1. Call to order**

The annual general meeting of members of the Editors' Association of Canada was called to order by the president, Moira White, at 3:54 p.m.

**2. Approval of agenda**

MOVED by Heather Ebbs, seconded by Lee d'Anjou, to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED.

**3. Approval of AGM minutes of 7 June 2008**

MOVED by Rosemary Tanner, seconded by Brendan Wild, to approve the minutes of the 2008 annual general meeting. CARRIED.

**4. Approval of the annual report**

MOVED by Heather Ebbs, seconded by Paul Payson, to approve the annual report. CARRIED.

**5. Approval of the auditors' report**

MOVED by Greg Ioannou, seconded by Anna Olivier, to approve the auditors' report. CARRIED with four abstentions.

**6. Appointment of the auditor for 2009–10**

MOVED by Greg Ioannou, seconded by Paul Payson, to retain the services of Cowperthwaite Mehta as EAC's auditor for 2009–10. CARRIED with four abstentions.

**7. Motions from the floor**

***A. Motion to increase membership fees***

**Motion:** MOVED by Frances Peck, seconded by Georgina Montgomery, that EAC raise the annual membership fee, as of the EAC AGM of 2010, to \$250 plus GST (for voting and qualifying members) and \$125 plus GST (for student and emeritus members).

Discussion focused on bilingualism in the association, services for francophone members and certification. In discussion it was noted that certification is not yet paying for itself. The certification test structure will change with the rollout of the new *Professional Editorial Standards*, which adds to certification expenses.

**Motion:** MOVED by Nancy Flight to call the question. The motion CARRIED without a seconder.

The original motion CARRIED (73 votes in favour, 69 opposed, 2 abstentions, 1 spoiled ballot).

***B. Motion to allow student and emeritus members to list in the Online Directory of Editors***

**Motion:** MOVED by Paul Payson, seconded by Ruth Chernia, that the Editors' Association of Canada allow student and emeritus members to list in the Online Directory of Editors.

Friendly amendment: MOVED by Jean Lawrence, that the Editors' Association of Canada allow student and emeritus members to list in the Online Directory of Editors, and that it be made clear on the listing that the editor is a student or emeritus member. The amendment was accepted by the original mover and seconder.

**Motion:** MOVED by Ellen Reynolds to call the question. DEFEATED (68 opposed, 65 in favour).

i. Friendly Amendment to the original motion: MOVED by Stephanie Fysh, that the Editors' Association of Canada allow student members to list in the Online Directory of Editors, and that it be made clear on the listing that the editor is a student member. The amendment was accepted by the original mover and seconder.

ii. Friendly Amendment to the original motion: MOVED by Stephanie Fysh, that the Editors' Association of Canada allow emeritus members to list in the Online Directory of Editors, and that it be made clear on the listing that the editor is an emeritus member. The amendment was accepted by the original mover and seconder.

**Motion:** MOVED by Julia Cochrane to call the question. The motion CARRIED without a seconder and with two opposed.

i. The motion that the Editors' Association of Canada allow student members to list in the Online Directory of Editors, and that it be made clear on the listing that the editor is a student member was DEFEATED (130 opposed, 14 in favour, 1 abstention).

ii. The motion that the Editors' Association of Canada allow emeritus members to list in the Online Directory of Editors, and that it be made clear on the listing that the editor is an emeritus member was DEFEATED (127 opposed, 17 in favour, 1 abstention).

### ***C. Motion to acknowledge Frances Peck and the Professional Standards Committee***

**Motion:** MOVED by Lee d'Anjou, seconded by Greg Ioannou, to offer a huge vote of thanks Frances Peck and the Professional Standards Committee for their work on revising *Professional Editorial Standards*. CARRIED.

There was a warm round of applause for Frances Peck and the Professional Standards Committee.

## **8. Elections**

Maureen Nicholson introduced the elections.

a) National executive council

i) Elected positions

The following members were elected by acclamation:

President .....	Michelle Boulton (SN)
Vice-President .....	Greg Ioannou (TO)
Secretary .....	Mary Anne Carswell (TO)
Treasurer.....	Sheila Mahoney (TO)
Member-at-Large (two positions).....	Barbara K. Adamski (BC)
.....	Debra Roppolo (TO)

ii) Appointed positions

The national executive council has seven voting members who are not elected at the AGM:

Past President .....	Moira White (NCR)
British Columbia branch representative .....	Theresa Best
Prairie Provinces branch representative .....	Arden Ogg

Saskatoon branch representative .....	Kelly Fournel
Toronto branch representative .....	Ken Weinberg
National Capital Region branch representative .....	Beverly Ensom
Quebec/Atlantic Canada branch representative.....	Nancy Holland

b) Committee chairs

i) Elected positions

The following committee chairs were elected by acclamation by the membership. They are not members of the national executive council.

Francophone Affairs Committee Chair .....	Anna Olivier (QAC)
List Monitor.....	Julia Cochrane (QAC)
Marketing and Public Relations Committee Chair.....	Anita Jenkins (PP)
Membership Committee Chair .....	Raphaël Thierrin (NCR)
Member Communication Committee Chair .....	Faith Gildenhuis (BC)
Newsletter Committee Chair .....	Cheryl Hannah (BC) and Wilf Popoff (SN)
Online Job Tools Committee Chair .....	Alan Yoshioka (TO)
Publications Committee Chair.....	Peter Midgley (PP)
Training and Development Committee Chair .....	Perry Millar (SN)

ii) Appointed positions

The following committee chairs were announced to be appointed at a subsequent meeting of the national executive council:

Forum Monitor .....	Joanne Haskins (TO)
Mediator .....	Michael Benedict (TO)
Certification.....	Barbara Tomlin (BC)
Conference.....	Jacqueline Dinsmore (QAC) and Lysane Jacques (QAC)
Professional Standards .....	Jan Walter (TO)
External Liaison .....	Executive director
Website.....	Ken Weinberg (TO)
Human Resources (ex officio).....	President
Nominating (ex officio).....	Past president

**10B. Other business**

Ruth Chernia announced that on April 27, 2009, Stephen Harper appointed a new Librarian and Archivist of Canada, Dr. Daniel J. Caron. Dr. Caron is neither a librarian nor an archivist; he is an economist and he has frozen the budget of Library and Archives Canada.

**10C. Acknowledgement of the outgoing national executive council members and committee chairs**

There was a gift presentation and a standing ovation applause for outgoing committee chairs and national executive council members who served in 2008–09.

Outgoing national executive council members:

Julia Cochrane  
 Krysia P. Lear  
 Maureen Nicholson  
 Paul Payson  
 Dania Sheldon

Outgoing national committee chairs:

Heather Ebbs

John Green

Zofia Laubitz

Lynne Massey

Antonia Morton

Frances Peck

Rosemary Tanner

**11. Adjournment**

MOVED by Lynne Massey to adjourn. CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.