

**Annual General Meeting
May 27, 2010
Simon Fraser University, Harbour Centre Campus
Vancouver, British Columbia
DRAFT MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Mary Newberry at 12:20 p.m.

2. Selection of Secretary for This Meeting

Heather Ebbs agreed to serve as secretary for this meeting.

3. Call for Other Business

Moved (Heather Ebbs/Ruth Pincoe) to accept the agenda as written. *Carried.*

4. Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting

Moved (Daphne Sams/Christine Dudgeon) to accept the minutes of 27 May 2010 as written. *Carried.*

5. Executive Reports

The executive reports were circulated to members prior to the AGM. Mary Newberry asked if there were any questions for any executive member. In the absence of questions, Mary drew members' attention to the report by Christine Jacobs on the work of the Indexing Award Committee. Ruth Pincoe, a member of the committee, noted that at the executive meeting of 26 May the committee's report was approved in general, but there are a few small details that the committee is being asked to revisit. Depending on the amount of work the committee can accomplish over the next few months, it may be possible to begin the award process as early as next year. Members are invited to contact any committee member if they have questions or concerns. The committee is chaired by Christine Jacobs; the other members are Ruth Pincoe and Mary Sue Stephenson.

Moved (Susan Brown/Tia Leschke) to accept the executive reports as presented. *Carried.*

6. Budget 2011

The budget was circulated to members prior to the AGM in the annual reports package. ISC/SCI is financially healthy, which is a testament to the good management of the

treasurer and executive, particularly given the small number of members. Some additional expenses are anticipated in the coming year.

Moved (Ruth Pincoe/Tia Leschke) to accept the budget as presented. **Carried.**

7. New Business

Conference 2012: Members were asked for their views on holding this joint conference with the Editors' Association of Canada (EAC) and whether they might like to continue to hold joint conferences or whether it would be preferable to have consecutive conferences (as in previous years) or whether something else entirely might be preferred. During discussion, a number of points were raised:

- Until the final negotiations with EAC are completed, it is not known whether the joint conference is financially beneficial to ISC. It probably is not directly beneficial financially, as the venue is more expensive, etc., but that remains to be seen.
- Holding a joint conference may bring in new members to ISC/SCI, which would be financially beneficial in the long run.
- Because EAC is a larger organization, it was able to handle all the registration, venue finding, catering arrangements and other administrative details, reducing the workload on ISC/SCI and the number of ISC/SCI volunteers required.
- We may need to be more selective than EAC in conference location because we have fewer members; we need to think about where we have major concentrations of members and the fact that many of us need to travel to the conference. We want to ensure that one region is not without a conference within easy reach for too long.
- Some things fell through the cracks this year, but these will be remembered for future joint conferences.
- ISC/SCI members who are also members of EAC generally found this to be a good arrangement, as back-to-back conferences are more expensive and can be exhausting.
- Conversely, members who normally attend only the ISC/SCI conference mentioned the drawback of the higher registration cost of the joint arrangement. (A slight mitigating factor, however, is that those attending only the single all-ISC day would be spending less on accommodation.)
- Further, the interaction with the editors and the possibilities offered by other sessions were of less interest to members who are not editors.
- The cost for ISC/SCI members
- Problems with the French translation of the program were noted.

In a straw poll of three options, there was a good show of hands for the option of alternating joint ISC/SCI–EAC conferences with ISC/SCI-only conferences, a smaller showing of hands for always holding joint conferences and a few hands for occasionally holding a joint conference.

Members will be asked for further input later in the summer, after final financial figures are known.

8. Executive Elections 2011–2013

Heather Ebbs, Past President, conducted the elections for the 2011–2013 Executive Committee for ISC/SCI. The following candidates were acclaimed:

Co-Presidents: Mary Newberry and Gillian Watts
Past President [not an elected position]: Viv Cartmell
Treasurer: Merridy Cox-Bradley
Membership Secretary: Audrey McClellan
Member at Large—Publicity: Linda Lefler
Editor, *Bulletin*: Dina Theleritis
Editor, *Register of Indexers Available*: Brian Hogan
International Liaison: Ruth Pincoe
British Columbia: Tia Leschke
Prairies: Moira Calder
Central Canada: Chris Blackburn
Quebec and Eastern Canada: Anna Olivier

There were no candidates for the position of Vice President; the Executive Committee has the power to appoint someone to this position in the interim before the next elections.

9. Bouquets

ISC/SCI Volunteers: Thanks were extended to everyone who has volunteered in any capacity for ISC/SCI during the past year, with particular thanks to the 2011 conference committee and volunteers.

Outgoing president: On behalf of the members, Heather Ebbs presented a hand-carved inukshuk to Vivien Cartmell, thanking her for her work as Co-President these past two years and Vice President before that.

10. Other Business

None.

Adjournment, at 12:55, was moved by Heather Ebbs