

## **Minutes of CAAL-ACLA- May 31<sup>st</sup> 2016- University of Calgary**

Announcement- Tom Ricento- Language Policy and Planning Conference

In attendance: Hedy McGarrell, Scott Douglas, Hetty Roessingh, Angelica Galante, Lauren Godfrey-Smith, Stephen Davis, Daphnee Simard, Marie Nader, Patricia Dawn Severenuk, Loretta Jensen, Suzie Beaulieu, Leila Ranta, France Bourassa, Sylvie Roy, Subrata Bhowmik, Eva Lemaire, Andrea Sterzuk, Jerry Kramel, Jun Ma, Jeff Bale, Joe Dicks, Karla Culligan, Josée Le Bouthillier, Paula Kristmanson, Tom Ricento, Mela Sarkar, Sara Kennedy, Stephanie Arntott (Skype), Beverly Baker, Marian Rossiter, Angela Henders, Eve Haque

**1. Approval of agenda**-Subrata Bhowmik, Leila Ranta

**2. Approval of minutes** of last year's AGM (Toronto)- Daphne Simard, Sara Kennedy

Business arising from minutes-

E-ballot will be sent out regarding a motion to implement change to the constitution to move the term of treasurer to begin at beginning of financial year.

**3. President's Report** (see attached)- Mela Sarkar

Highlights-

- Joint conference with AAAL; Issue with French presentations
- New System for membership
- Larry Vandergrift- call for papers for a special symposium for next ACLA
- TRC Call to Action- special symposium evening of May 30<sup>th</sup>; ACLA's support (motion to follow)
- Recognition of Sponsors of ACLA Conference
- Thank you to Sylvie Roy- onsite convener
- Recognition of special symposia at this conference (e.g., A
- Announcement- Andrea Sterzuk- incoming president (thank you for organizing the program for this conference)
- Next Conference announcement in Toronto (at Ryerson); subsequent conference in Regina
- Thank you to all executive members for their work
- Nomination committee- members for 2016-2017 – changes to executive- Francis Bangou- Vice-Président; Andrea Sterzuk will be new President

**Treasurer's Report- Stephanie Arntott via Skype**

Highlights-

- Revenues- Grants (none), sponsorship (from 2014 conference at Brock), memberships (88 memberships in 2015; reduction from previous year may be due to joint conference last year; journal royalties; symposium

- fees- revenue from profit share from AAAL); our revenue is increased by over 7,000 due to profit share despite decrease in memberships
- Expenses- exec travel expenses (exec can claim up to 900\$ in travel expenses); professional fees (auditor's bill); dues (pay to ILA and Congress); Website (domain name registrations); Fee to manage new membership system
- We made more than we spent for the fourth year in a row

### **Communications Report- Meike Wernicke**

#### Highlights

- Thanks to Martin we now have a new and improved website
- If you have great photos of ACLA members at conference or special events- please send to Meike
- New content- 2016 conference; job postings
- New membership procedures; new retiree membership rate
- TB added shortly- TRC call to action- ACLA statement
- Outstanding content- minutes from last two AGMS
- Breakdown of visits to site by country
- Twitter- over 1200 followers- submissions and retweets are welcome

### **Journal Editors' Report (see attached)**

Motion to Accept Reports as presented- Leila Ranta, Beverly Baker (Carried)

Notice of Motion- ACLA/CAAL response to 2015 Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (see attached document)- moved by Sara Kennedy, Eve Haque, carried.

- Choose an action and work on it over the life of our association
- Joint event- SSHRC, ACLA, CLA- panel discussion- they presented position statements related to two items from TRC that are most pertinent to the two association.
- Special Issue of CJAL related to this topic (CMLR is currently putting out a call for papers on indigenous language teaching and learning; this may be something for the CJAL moving forward)
- Associate ourselves with Provincial associations who are also working toward TRC calls to action. (CALA- annual symposium for next year does not yet have a theme- this maybe this is something possibility to ISB- 2019 will be in Edmonton- this could be a significant part of this conference
- Actively recruit indigenous teachers to join the association; extend invitation to those working in indigenous language
- Advocacy materials for the website
- Sharing ideas and awareness raising ideas

Motion to adjourn- Beverly Baker