

Report of the CASCA Nominating Committee, 2009-10

Membership: David Bohlender, Peter Martin (chair), Tracy Webb

We met by email and consulted widely with our colleagues.

We first confirmed that the following officers were willing to move up in the hierarchy, as has become the custom:

President: Gilles Joncas

1st Vice-President: Doug Welch;

or to stand for re-election:

Treasurer: Gregg Wade

Secretary: Nadine Manset.

Joncas made it clear that he wished to serve one year only as President. This seems consistent with the Board resolution to reduce the lengths of the terms of office of the President and two VPs and so, assuming that the membership of the Society passes this change in the by-laws, we foresee no consequences.

While pleased to see this fine slate in place, we all felt that (at least some) elections would be healthy for the Society and so we set our minds to getting a slate of at least two persons for the remaining open positions. We made a list of potential candidates and stopped expanding the slate when we had three agreed candidates for the Director and two for the second VP. Subsequent to our delivery of the slate and the broader call for (more) nominations, one of the candidates withdrew from the planned election for the second VP. At that late stage we felt it would be awkward to go down our list to enlist another candidate. Thus, the slate is:

2nd Vice-President: Laura Ferrarese,

and (unless there are nominations from the membership) we will have an election only for:

Director (one needed): Laura Parker, Bob Rutledge,
Marcin Sawicki.

Next year Paul Hickson will be past-President and as such will be chair of the Nominating Committee. There is some precedent for asking the chair of the most recent LOC to become a member as well, to benefit from the insight gained through organizing the annual meeting. This year there are three co-chairs of the LOC and so lots of talent on which to draw! We encourage the new Nominating Committee to find enough candidates to have an election for the open positions.