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CANADIAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY (CMS)

## 2020 CMS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

As approved at the June 11, 2021 AGM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 (12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M. Eastern Standard Time)

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1. Welcome [Mark Lewis, CMS President]

Lewis noted that there is a large number of students attending and welcomed them.

2. Call to Order at 12:35 pm – Declaration of Quorum (60 Present) [Mark Lewis, CMS President]

3. Approval of 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Document: [Draft Minutes of the June 2019 AGM](#)

**Motion: (Lewis/Kousha)**

That the 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes be approved.

Carried: 5 Abstained

4. President's Report [Mark Lewis, CMS President]

Two new committees have been formed, Reconciliation in Mathematics Committee and Equity, Diversity and Inclusiveness Committee. Membership recruitment is ongoing.

The 2020 summer meeting was expected to be a special meeting celebrating 75 years. Monica Nevins was the organizer. It has been delayed to 2021.

It is uncertain how the winter 2020 meeting will proceed.

A virtual mini meeting is being organized for July 13-16 with the theme being the effects of COVID19 on mathematicians at all levels. Sarah Watson is working with the Scientific Directors to organize the platform and sessions.

Lewis welcomed Mashreghi as the new President starting after this meeting.

5. Acceptance of the 2019 Audited Financial Statements

Document: [Draft 2019 Financial Statements](#)

**Motion: (Executive Committee)**

That the 2019 Audited Financial Statements be accepted.

Carried: 4 Abstained

6. Approval of the 2020 CMS Auditor

**Motion: (Executive Committee)**

That Andrea Poole, CPA, CA from Numeris CPA, be approved as the CMS Auditor for the 2020 fiscal year.

Carried: 3 Abstained

7. Terms of Reference

Document: [Terms of Reference](#)

The attached Terms of Reference have been approved by the Board of Directors. Comments are welcome and should be forwarded to Kousha, Mashreghi or Lewis.

8. CMS 2019 Annual Report

Document: [2019 Annual Report](#)

**Motion: (Executive Committee)**

That the 2019 Annual Report be accepted.

Carried: 5 Abstained

9. Reports from Committee Chairs

Education Committee, Joseph Khoury

There were 6 specialty camps planned for 2020, but most have been cancelled. Most regional camps have also been cancelled this year. Hopefully all these camps will return in 2021. Morris suggested that any material that can be posted online would be helpful to students.

Endowment Grants Committee, Franco Saliola

Denise Charron reported that 8 applications were approved and money was allocated to all applicants. Because of COVID-19, all programs were postponed to 2021. These funds will be deferred to 2021. No new applications will be accepted in 2021.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusiveness Committee, Steven Rayan

The Committee has just started and looking forward to launching great things soon.

Finance Committee, Bradd Hart

Oakden reported that meetings are still ongoing and the Committee is closely watching the effects of COVID-19.

International Affairs Committee

The Committee is being re-instated. A new chair will be appointed soon.

Invested Funds Committee, David Saunders

Oakden reported that the IFC monitors the CMS investments. The decision was made not to reallocate the portfolio at this time.

Mathematical Competitions Committee, Dorothea Pronk

There will be 2 virtual training camps, the IMO summer training and a new EGMO training camp to start students thinking about competing. Pronk thanked all the committee members for their hard work. A new competition, junior COMC is being planned. The questions will be more inclusive. The EGMO was held remotely this year. IMO will be held remotely in September. The IMO team has not been selected yet. The team has been invited to participate in another competition. This competition requires a team of 8 per country, so 2 girls from the EGMO will be invited to join the team.

Nominating Committee, Alexandre Girouard

Things have gone well since starting as chair. The Committee is still working on finding more members to fill vacancies.

Publications Committee, Matthias Neufang

New appointments have been made to fill vacancies. Thank you to them for stepping up to help. There are more calls for nominations coming.

Discussions are ongoing regarding the CUP contract going forward. CUP will be moving to open access starting in 2024. This will result in a large reduction of revenue for the CMS.

A new publication is being investigated. This publication would be a home for larger papers and would complement CJM and CMB.

Reconciliation in Mathematics Committee  
No report provided.

Research Committee, Kai Behrend

Stancu reported that work for setting up the Morrowitz prize is ongoing. The family will be contacted for their approval.

Nevins reported that the AMS presented a proposal at the Board of Directors meeting for the CMS to partner with them in organizing the JMM. They are looking for societies to commit to organizing sessions or social events annually. A task force has been set up to investigate options. Nevins invited anyone who would be interested in participating to contact her.

Student Committee, Sébastien Lord, Yuliya Nesterova,

CUMC will be online Aug 21-23 with no registration fee. Nesterova encouraged all students to participate.

The StudC twitter account is hosting a weekly puzzle posted by Nesterova.

New members including a new co-chair are required to join the Committee. Please encourage your students to apply.

Funding applications are still being accepted for student events.

Distinguished Awards Selection Committee, Mark Lewis

Claude Levesque has been chosen to receive the Graham Wright Award.

Fellows Selection Committee, Lia Bronsard

Mashreghi reported that the Fellows candidates for this year have been chosen. Candidates are being notified.

#### 10. Other Business

Mashreghi thanked the Tech Office for their work in the last 20+ years. They were responsible for the high quality of the two journals.

##### **Motion (Mashreghi/Lewis)**

That Platt and Doob be thanked for their 20+ years of their tech work on CMB and CJM.

Christiane Rousseau invited the CMS and members to be involved with the International Day of Mathematics on March 14, 2021.

Mashreghi – The CMS is grateful to Lewis who has accomplished many important things during his tenure as President.

- CAIMS has been brought closer to the CMS by providing financial services.
- CUP contract was signed.
- Donation was received for \$100k for the Blair Morrowitz prize.
- A new journal has been started.
- Termeh Kousha was hired as Executive Director.
- The Code of Conduct, and the Diversity statements were created.
- Child care has been provided at the meetings.
- Two new committees were formed.

#### 11. Adjournment

##### **Motion: (Lewis/Nevins)**

That the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 13:45