



CANADIAN SOCIETY OF ATHEROSCLEROSIS, THROMBOSIS  
AND VASCULAR BIOLOGY

Annual General Meeting

Minutes of Tuesday, October 25, 2005

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. in Room 13, Meeting Room Level VCEC.

2. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of October 2004

*Motion* by T. Ooi/B. Nassar to approve the minutes and agenda. *Carried.*

3. President's Report

a) Plan to highlight achievements of the CSATVB – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the CSATVB-A. Gotlieb  
A. Gotlieb wished to thank all committee members past and present for making the CSATVB a vibrant and important society for all Canadian researchers interested in atherosclerosis, thrombosis and vascular biology. The 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet was held on Monday evening at the Marriott and entertainment is supplied by The Humorous Circus. On behalf of the CSATVB, A. Gotlieb wanted to sincerely thank P. Julien for all of his efforts to put this memorable event together to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CSATVB.

A. Gotlieb suggested that the CSATVB is now considered to be a very important contributor to the annual CCC meeting. The activities (i.e. symposia, workshops) are highly regarded by the CCC.

b) CSATVB Trainee Advisory Committee (G. Shen)

The CSATVB is again involved with the CIHR-INMD workshops to be held in Winnipeg, MA in May 2006. Several travel awards of up to a total of \$5000.00 will be available from the CSATVB to allow eligible students/post-doctoral fellows in good standing with the CSATVB to attend this meeting. Based on the discussion on Executive Meeting on October 23, 2004, an *Ad-hoc* Trainee Advisory Committee will be established in CSATVB to facilitate the communication with trainees. One Postdoctoral Fellow and a student representative will be selected to attend the Executive Meeting in February 2006. Council recommended Dr. Garry Shen as the Chair of the *Ad-hoc* Committee and to report to the next meeting of the council for the preparation of the activity of this committee.

c) Travel reimbursement by CSATVB

CARLSON WAGONLIT will organize the travel of invited speakers and other business travel of the CSATVB. The facilitates the operation and simplifies CSATVB activities. To date this arrangement has worked well for both the Society and the speakers. The Society will continue this arrangement with CARLSON WAGONLIT.

d) Update on the CSATVB website-P. Julien/R. Austin

The new CSATVB website has been a very good communication tool for advancing the society and its objectives. Some minor updates will be carried out.

#### 4. Report of the Treasurer

P. Julien submitted a written report summarizing an updated budget for the next fiscal year prior to the next business meeting. The report was distributed to all members of the council.

#### 5. Report of the Chair of Finance

Membership fees should not be changed at the present time.

#### 6. Report of the Chair of the Education Committee (B. Nassar)

B. Nassar indicated that this years CSATVB involvement at the CCC meeting in Montreal consisted of 4 oral sessions, 3 symposia, one President symposium and a poster session. The brochures for the Symposia were of excellent quality and provided an important link between the Society and the CCS. It was also indicated that attendance to the CSATVB sessions and symposia had significantly increased following implementation of the brochures. One poster award and two oral session awards were awarded by the CSATVB at the Montreal meeting. Support from Pfizer for the Meeting Programme will continue.

#### 7. Report of the Chair of the Long-term Planning Committee

T. Ooi presented a long term planning strategy for the CSATVB. It was suggested that a greater and strategic use of ad-hoc committees could involve more members of the society. It was felt that a concerted effort to generate additional financial commitments by pharmaceutical companies would be of tremendous benefit for the continued success of the societies objectives.

#### 8. Report of the Chair of the Membership Committee (M-C. Vohl)

M-C. Vohl indicated that the majority of new members come from supervisors of existing CSATVB members. She suggested that new members must be attracted from outside the CSATVB. Would also be advantageous to increase our Corporate memberships. MC Vohl had presented a written report indicating the application of 3 new members.

**Motion** by M-C Vohl/J. Russell that the 3 new applicants for membership be approved to be presented at the annual general business meeting for final approval. *Carried*

#### 9. President Report

The CSATVB would like to thank L. Bajzar and T. Podor for their efforts as councillors for the CSATVB from 2002-2005. The new CSATVB councillors for 2006-2009 will be S. Davidge, A. Tchernof and S. Heximer. The next CSATVB Executive and Council Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006, in Toronto (Sheraton-Pearson Airport).

A.I. Gotlieb was thanked for his 2 year Presidency (2003-2005) and he introduced the incoming President, Teik Ooi who will serve for the next two years (2005-2007). At the end of the Annual General Meeting, A. Gotlieb passed the chair to Teik Ooi, the incoming President, and invited him to say a few words. Teik Ooi thanked colleagues in the CSATVB who had shown confidence in him, in affording him the opportunity of leading and facilitating the activities of the CSATVB. He pointed out the happy situation the society is in, in having an active, strong and productive council. He thanked council members for their hard work that had resulted in CSATVB making great progress

over the past years. He emphasized the role of members and he invited everyone to come forward with their ideas and suggestions. He announced that the CSATVB Council had made a commitment to supporting the trainee members of the Society and a Trainee Network be formed.

The meeting was adjourned.

R.C. Austin  
CSATVB Secretary