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**SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE D'ATHÉROSLÉROSE,
DE THROMBOSE ET DE BIOLOGIE VASCULAIRE**

Annual General Meeting

**Tuesday October 28th 2008
Room 711, Metro Toronto Convention Centre**

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. Mark Hatton at 4.0 pm. Eighteen Members were present.

1. **Approval of the agenda** (proposed by Dr. M. Rand, seconded Dr. M. Richardson). As there was no discussion or new agenda items, the motion was carried unanimously.
2. **Approval of the circulated minutes of the Annual general Meeting, October 2008** (proposed by Dr. P. Julien, seconded Dr. S. Davidge). There were no points of discussion, the motion was carried unanimously.

3 Reports

3.1 The President's report was circulated and is included. In addition, Dr. Hatton reported on the Scientific meeting, which was very successful, and included the first joint Symposium with the North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO), and a guest lecture by a guest visitor, Dr. George Liu, the Vice President of the Chinese Atherosclerosis Society. The Trainee Workshop, held at Hart House in the University of Toronto was also very successful.

3.2 The Treasurer's report. Dr. Julien, the treasurer, circulated the report which is included. After taking the meeting through the report in some detail, Dr. Julien requested **approval of the report** (proposed by Dr. P. Douville, seconded Dr. G. Shen); the motion was carried.

Dr. Julien requested **approval of the Accountants**, Blouin Julien Potvin (proposed by Dr. S. Heximer, seconded Dr. Wen); the motion was carried unanimously.

3.3 Education Committee The chair, Dr. S. Heximer reported that there were 87 abstracts submitted to the Scientific program, of which 17 were from members of the CCS. The program had been accredited by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons to be suitable for CME credits for physicians, an on-going education requirement.

3.4 Long Term Planning Committee. The chair and President-elect, Dr. B. Nassar reported that the major initiatives would be directed towards a new initiative for fund raising.

3.5 Finance Committee. Dr. Hatton reported that he had accepted the resignation of the former Chair, Dr. E. O'Brien, during the summer. Dr. Hatton had therefore assumed the responsibilities of chair. He noted that during interactions with potential sponsors, it was generally expected that the President of the Society would be involved. He therefore suggested that the composition of the Finance Committee be revised to include the President, as Chair, the Past President, the President-elect, the Treasurer and one other member. Dr. Proctor asked if the sponsorship for CASTVB was likely to be reduced. Dr. Hatton this is likely, and therefore possible new sources of funding will be explored, including the Institutes, Insurance companies and the food industry.

3.6 ad hoc Communications Committee. The Chair submitted a written report, which is included. Much of the activity of the committee was described in the President's report, but Dr. Richardson added a request for feedback from the membership, especially a form which can be included in the Newsletter or be available on the Web site.

3.7 Membership. A list of potential new members was circulated (included). Acceptance of these applicants as members was proposed by Dr. Rand, seconded Dr. Heximer, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3.8 Trainee Advisory Committee. The Chair, Dr. G. Shen, reported on the success of the Trainee workshop, which was attended by 38 trainees and 20 PIs. Thirty surveys were completed and the content of these surveys will determine if there will be a workshop next year. Two new members have been appointed to the Trainee committee, Dr. Nabeel Ghayur, and Dr. Ming Yang. Dr. K. Blouin is retiring from the committee after two years of good service.

4. Election of Members of the Executive and Council.

Submitted nominations were proposed by the President, and nominations were requested from the floor. There were no additional nominees from the floor.

Dr. Pierre Julien was re-elected as Treasurer for a 3-year term.

Dr. J.C.Russell was re-elected and Dr. G. Werstuck was elected to the Education Committee.

Dr. S. Davidge was re-elected to Council, and 2 new Councillors, Dr. M. Koschinsky, and Dr. S. Proctor were elected to the Council.

Dr. Hatton reported that, at the Executive/Council Meeting on October 25, 2008, Dr. Pierre Julien had been appointed Honorary President of the CSATVB in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the Society. Dr. Julien is only the second Honorary President of CSATVB, the first being Dr. R. Moore, who resigned in

1994.

5. New Business

Dr. Heximer proposed that, as suggested during the report of the Finance committee, the Finance Committee be revised to include the President, the Past President, the President-Elect, the Treasurer, and one other member.

This was seconded Dr. Dr. Russell, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Dr. Julien proposed that the Nominating Committee be required to include the President-elect, in addition to the current requirement for the President and the Past president, and one other member. President, the President-Elect the Treasurer, and one other member. This proposal was seconded Dr. M-C Vohl, and the motion was carried.

Dr. Proctor asked why there was no reception following the AGM as in previous years. Dr. Nassar replied it had been removed because of cost, but that we would try to arrange for a reception in future.

Dr. G. Liu (Vice-President, Chinese Atherosclerosis Society) expressed his thanks for the hospitality of the CSATVB, and encouraged members to consider visiting Beijing in the future

Presentations

The M.Daria Haust award was given to **Dr. Marie-Claude Vohl**, Université Laval.

A New Investigator Grant-in-Aid was awarded to **Dr. Julie Robitaille**, Université Laval.

The Awards for best student presentations went to:

Andrew Sage for best Poster

Omid Dadoo for best Moderated Poster

Chris Franco and **Cindy Yip** for the two best Oral Presentations

6. Next Meeting

The next Annual Meeting will be held in Edmonton, Alberta. The local organizing committee includes Drs. Russell, Proctor, and Davidge

7. Adjournment

There being no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Rand. The meeting adjourned at 5.0pm.