

Minutes of the
Canadian Science Fiction & Fantasy Association Annual General Meeting May 23,
2015, held at the Roundhouse Community Arts & Recreation Centre 181
Roundhouse Mews, Vancouver BC

Attending: Clint Budd, Richard Graeme Cameron, Eileen Capes (attending by phone), Danika Dinsmore, Keith Lim, Kathleen Moore, Russ Quick, Cliff Samuels (attending by phone), Danielle Stephens, Susan Walsh, Lynda Williams

1. Welcome and Confirmation of Quorum

Recorded Quorum 12 (see Attending, above) Meeting called to order 2:20 pm

2. Approval of Minutes of Members' Meeting of June 7, 2014

Lynda Williams moved approval of the previous minutes; Graeme Cameron seconded. 10 yes, 0 nay, 0 abstaining

3. Chair's Report on Achievements and Plans

(See Chair's Report attached below -1-)

4. Report from the Treasurer and Approval of Financial Statements (*deferred*)

5. Selection of Convention site for 2016

(See "When Words Collide" 2016 Convention bid attached below -2-)

Motion to accept When Words Collide as the site for the 2016 Convention Lynda Williams moved; Kathleen Moore seconded. 10 yes, 0 nay, 0 abstaining

6. Election of Directors

After discussion the meeting agreed to vote on the Directors as a slate

Motion to adopt the slate as presented Clint Budd moved; R. Graeme Cameron seconded 10 yes, 0 nay, 0 abstaining

7. Ratification of Board Actions in 2013-14

Motion to ratify Board Actions in 2013-14 Kathleen Moore moved, Lynda Williams seconded 10 yes, 0 nay, 0 abstaining

8. Questions from Members and Attendees

Questions and discussions regarding:

The Future of the Aurora Awards trophy design and possible costs

Source of money for CSFFA

The Auroran Lights as the CSFFA newsletter; OBIR as R. Graeme's own zine

The Hall of Fame Trophy, process and costs

Publicity for CSFFA

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn 3:15 pm Lynda Williams moved; Kathleen Moore seconded 10 yes, 0 nay, 0 abstaining

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-1- Presidents speech

As CSFFA president I wanted to welcome and thank everyone here for coming in person to our 2015 AGM. We had a great turnout online and this makes it a record number of people who have participated in any of our AGMs.

I have been president of CSFFA for 3 years now. I appreciate all the dedicated fans that make our board from across Canada. This year you will be truly voting on board members from across this country. Our members come from here in BC and now from New Brunswick. This will give us the ability to promote the awards and CSFFA from coast to coast.

Later in this meeting you will be the first to learn who is on this year's ballot. As Aurora Awards administrator I know it is a great one and am very please to see such amazing works up for this year's awards.

Being that I am not able to see you I would like to request that Clint confirms that we have quorum for this meeting.

Chairman's Report

This has been a very good year for CSFFA. Convention 34 was held in conjunction with V-CON in Vancouver last fall. I suspect a lot of you were there. Frank Johnson the designer and builder of our awards for the past 23 years received an honorary Aurora award for his years of dedication. He has stepped down as our award builder but it might be that others now will take his place. We potentially have a new design though we are having problems finding a company that could build it. We are also looking at someone or a team who would be able to inherit Frank's custom designed tools and start making the old design again. We love that trophy design and it would be nice to have someone restart it.

This year we also saw the start of the Canadian Science Fiction and Fantasy Hall of Fame. Clint Budd has done an amazing job of coordinating artists to design a beautiful trophy. At V-CON we inducted

a number of authors and lifetime achievement Aurora award winners. Clint will later talk in depth about the trophy and you will all be the first to see the completed design. I envy you, I will only be seeing picture for now.

As our board knows, I will be stepping down as the society's president to focus on the Aurora awards. I have been finding that both jobs take a lot of time and work and I want to focus on the awards. At our next board meeting the society will elect a new president.

So as outgoing president, I want to say thank you.

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-2- When Words Collide bid proposal for 2016 Convention

When Words Collide will be held on the weekend of August 12 - 14, 2016 at the Delta Hotel South in Calgary Alberta.

When Words Collide will

1. Have all its guests from Canada. We have already booked and confirmed line-up.
2. Have the Awards Ceremony held at a banquet on the Saturday evening.
3. Have the Awards Ceremony open to those interested in the Awards.
4. Set the time for the Awards Ceremony at least two months prior to the convention.
5. Arrange for an MC who is aware that Convention is put on jointly by When Words Collide and CSFFA.
6. Arrange for Presenters of the Aurora Awards some of which should be members of the CSFFA Board and past winners.
7. Arrange for space to hold the Nominee pin ceremony on the Friday evening.
8. Book a time/space for the SGM that makes it available to the most potentially interested persons. An hour will be set aside unless the CSFFA board requests more time.
9. Set the time for the SGM at least two months prior to the convention.
10. Provide space for a Convention display throughout the weekend. This will be enough space to display the two Aurora banners, pictures of past trophies and, if available, the Hall of Fame trophy.
11. Coordinate with CSFFA to have a number of panels to promote the society and Canadian SF and Fantasy.

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Votes cast out of 42 members who voted online plus 10 voters in person at the Roundhouse AGM = **52**

Approval of the Minutes of the Members' Meeting of June 7, 2014
I approve the Annual General Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2014. **30 + 10 = 40**

Selection of Convention site for 2014
I approve the bid from When Worlds Collide. **40 + 10 = 50**

Election of Directors

Wes Almas	25 + 10 = 35
Clint Budd	24 + 10 = 34
R. Graeme Cameron	22 + 10 = 32
Ron Friedman	27 + 10 = 37
Cathy Palmer-Lister	28 + 10 = 38
Alyx Dellamonica	28 + 10 = 38
Jennifer Lambe	27 + 10 = 37

Ratification of Board Actions in 2014-15
I approve Board Actions taken in 2014-15. **35 + 10 = 45**