

AGENDA
GENERAL MEETING
CANADIAN LINGUISTIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Saturday May 2014, 17h30
Academic South Building, 215, Brock University

1.0 Approval of Agenda

2.0 Approval of 2013 minutes

3.0 President's Remarks (L. Saxon)

4.0 New Business

5.0 Reports

5.1 L. Colantoni, Treasurer*

5.2 F. Poiré, Secretary

5.3 É. Mathieu & E. Cowper, Editors of the CJL*

5.4 F. Poiré (I Paul) Nominating Committee*

5.5 J. Walker, Program Committee

5.6 Patricia Balcom & D. Currie Hall, Members at large, -Student Paper Contest

5.7 É. Mathieu, Prize Committee

5.8 L. Saxon (S. Luo) Student Representative

5.9 L. Saxon (E. Gold), Canadian Language Museum

**The Annual General Meeting approves these reports.*

6.0 Other Business

7.0 Adjournment

**CANADIAN LINGUISTIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES**

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PRESENT:

Leslie Saxon (Victoria; Chair), Laura Colantoni (Toronto), Éric Mathieu (Ottawa), François Poiré (Western), Patricia Balcom (Moncton), Elizabeth Cowper (Toronto), Daniel Currie Hall (St. Mary's), Païvi Koskinen (Kwantlen Polytechnic University), Jila Ghomeshi (Manitoba), Dennis Storoshenko (Yale/Calgary), Kathleen Currie Hall (UBC), Anthony Brohan (MIT), Ruth King (York), Louise Beaulieu (Moncton), James Walker (York), Catherine Anderson (McMaster), Kumiko Murasugi Carleton), Lisa Duncan (Toronto), Maria-Cristin  Cuervo (Toronto), Danica MacDonald (Calgary), Solveiga Armoskaite (Rochester), David Heap (Western), Jacques Lamarche (Western), James Porteous (Western), Wladyslaw Cichocki (New Brunswick), E. Allyn Smith (UQAM), Kathleen Currie Hall (UBC), Johannes Knaus (Calgary), Igor Yanovich (T bingen), Michael Iannozzi (Toronto), Victor Kuperman (McMaster), Heather Bliss (Victoria), Richard Compton (McGill), Will Oxford (Manitoba), Brandon Fry (Ottawa), Elaine Gold (Toronto), Veena Dwivedi (Brock).

Introductions (L. Saxon)

The CLA Executive was introduced: Wladyslaw Cichocki (New Brunswick; Vice President),  ric Mathieu (Ottawa; CJL Editor), Elizabeth Cowper (Toronto; CJL Co-Editor), Laura Colantoni (Toronto; Treasurer), Fran ois Poir  (Western; Secretary), James Walker (York, Program committee Chair), Patricia Balcom (Moncton; Member-at-large), Daniel Currie Hall (St-Mary`s; member-at-large), Laura Teddiman (Brock; Student Member).

Saxon thanked Veena D. Dwivedi (Brock), our local representative this year.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

It was MOVED (E. Gold) and SECONDED (E. Cowper) to approve the agenda. Motion PASSED.

2.0 Approval of 2013 Minutes

It was MOVED (D. Currie Hall) and SECONDED (P. Koskinen) to approve the agenda. Motion PASSED.

3.0 President's Remarks (L. Saxon)

See attached.

4.0 New Business

4.1. the new website is about to be released—webmaster Daniel Currie Hall will say a few words about it.

4.2. logo contest: the association would like to renew its logo, and so we would like to have a contest.

Deadline: 1 December 2014.

Prize: \$200 + one year's membership in the association.

Please circulate news about the contest in your department, university.

An announcement will appear also on the website and social media.

5.0 Reports

5.1 Report of the Treasurer (L. Colantoni)

See attached.

It was MOVED (L. Colantoni) and SECONDED (D. Heap) to approve the report of the Treasurer. Motion PASSED.

5.2 Report of the Secretary (F. Poiré)

See attached.

5.3 Report of the Editors of the Canadian Journal of Linguistics (É. Mathieu and Elizabeth Cowper)

See attached.

It was MOVED (E. Mathieu) and SECONDED (J. Walker) to approve the report of the Editor. Motion PASSED.

5.4 Report of the Chair of the Nominating Committee (I. Paul)

See attached.

It was MOVED (I. Paul) and SECONDED (P. Balcom) to close the nominations.
Motion PASSED.

5.5 Report of the Chair of the Program Committee (J. Walker)

See attached.

5.6 Report on the Student Paper Contest (F. Poiré)

See attached.

5.7 Report on the Canadian Language Museum (E. Gold)

See attached

6.0 Other Business

7.0 Adjournment

It was MOVED (J. Lamarche) and SECONDED (J. Ghomeshi) to adjourn the meeting.

Motion PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 18:45 pm.

3.0 President's Report (L. Saxon)

A midterm report:

the executive committee is largely new, and we have been doing our best to move forward positively.

new financial footings with our funds moved to the National Bank of Canada.

increased presence on social media, now including Twitter @canadaling.

National Achievement Award winner Jila Ghomeshi will be giving a keynote address on Monday 26 May, '*Who are we talking to when we talk to "the public" about linguistics?*'

for the second year, we have a joint session with ACLA|CAAL on research around Indigenous languages.

Items from previous years to persevere with:

recruitment for the association in all areas of the country, and among francophone linguists.

engagement of students and post-doctoral fellows in the association.

redesign of the CLA|ACL website.

promotion of the *Canadian Journal of Linguistics/ Revue canadienne de linguistique*.

support for committees (some not currently active):

Canadian Language Museum committee.

Aboriginal languages committee.

Committee on the status of women in linguistics.

Corpus preservation committee.

new committees.

Task force for promoting students and post-docs in the CLA|ACL:

to establish a mechanism for students and post-doctoral fellows to consult about ways they see to expand their representation in the governance of the association.

in 2015 this task force might propose some amendments to the CLA|ACL constitution to actualize these ideas.

Reports

5.1 Treasurer's report (L. Colantoni)

September 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014

1er septembre 2013 - 31 mars 2014

Report of the Treasurer of the CLA			
September 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014			
OPENING BALANCE as of September 17, 2013			\$ 20 389,00
REVENUES			
01/16/2014	U of Toronto Press	\$ 9 154,80	
07/01/2014	Revenue Congress 2013	\$ 1 948,09	
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 11 102,89	\$ 11 102,89
EXPENSES			
09/30/2013	Travel grants	\$ 4 799,52	
09/30/2013	Congress expenses - reimbursements to organizers	\$ 776,98	
09/30/2013	Checks - order	\$ 127,58	
02/08/2013	CIPL fee + bank charge	\$ 216,50	
01/07/2014	FedCan membership fees 203-14	\$ 2 059,60	
08/29/2012	Translation	\$ 270,30	
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 8 250,48	\$ 8 250,48
OPENING BALANCE PLUS REVENUE MINUS EXPENSES			\$ 23 241,41
CLOSING BALANCE for 2014			\$ 23 241,41

Concept	Checking	Savings
Opening balance, 2013-14 Solde initial 2013-14	20,389.23	50,000
Total revenues Total des revenus	11,102.89	268.15
Total expenses 2013-14 Total de dépenses 2013-14	-8,250.48	0
Closing balance 2013-14 Solde final 2013-14	23,241.64	50,268

Our situation over the past year:

Opening of a bank account (September 17, 2013):
National Bank (Victoria – Toronto).
Saving and checking accounts.

Audit:

Two firms have been contacted to deal with a possible audit by the Canada Revenue Agency.

Taxes and CRA Taxes and CRA:

Last year, we discovered that taxes have not been filed for the past 13 years.

The accountants we hired (Paul McVeen & associates) indicated that CRA wanted to audit the association.

We contacted two different firms and we obtained two different quotes:

Tang & associates: \$35,700.
David Robertson (Prentice, Yates & Clark).

Next Year:

Hire one of the firms and solve our situation with CRA.
Once our situation is clear with CRA, decide on what to do with the carry forward balance.

Decide on the travel budget grant and publicize the grants and the conditions to apply on the website early.

See if we are going to be covering the expenses of the executive committee.

5.2 Secretary's Report (F. Poiré)

	Regular	Student	Life	Family	Comp	Inst	Exch	Abs	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
AB	5	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	12	24	14	15	21
BC	16	6	1	0	0	1	0	0	24	63	32	24	30
MB	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	13	9	8	11
NB	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	5	7	5	6	5
NL	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	8	10	6
NS	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	7	6	4	3
ON	47	28	3	1	4	6	0	0	89	91	97	89	102
PE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
QC	10	3	4	0	0	5	0	0	22	36	34	37	50
SK	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
NWT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
YT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
SOUS-TOTAL	91	44	11	1	4	20	0	1	172	250	208	207	234
É.-U.	7	3	0	0	0	64	1	1	76	98	102	101	109
AUTRE	12	1	1	0	2	48	0	2	64	65	63	73	82
TOTAL	110	49	12	1	6	132	1	4	312				
2013	136	98	13	1	5	155	0	5		413			
2012	91	74	13	1	6	182	1	4			378		
2011	96	72	12	1	6	188	1	4				381	
2010	123	98	12	1	6	179	1	5					425

From 2013-2014:

Regular members: 136 to 110 (-19.12%)

Students: 98 to 49 (-50%)

Institutions: 155 to 132 (-14.84)

Overall: 413 to 312 (-24.46%)

A Victoria effect?

A Muse effect

Some members complain that they never get their copies of the Journal

5.3 Report of the Editors of the Canadian Journal of Linguistics (É. Mathieu and Elizabeth Cowper)

Team:

Editor: Éric Mathieu (University of Ottawa)

Co-editor: Elizabeth Cowper (University of Toronto)

Book review editor: Arsalan Kahnemuyipour (University of Toronto)

Squibs editor: Réjean Canac-Marquis (Simon Fraser)

Editorial assistant: Brandon Fry (University of Ottawa)

Board members:

Catherine Anderson (McMasters), Ash Asudeh (Oxford),
Alexandra D'Arcy (Victoria), Claire Lefebvre (UQAM), Diane Massam (Toronto),
Lisa Matthewson (UBC), Yvan Rose (Memorial), Anne-Michelle Tessier
(Alberta), Annie Tremblay (Kansas), Lisa Travis (McGill), James Walker (York).

Since E. Mathieu took over as editor after 4 years as co-editor, two new issues:

November 2013 58(3) 4 articles, 2 squibs, 3 reviews, March 2013 59(1) Special issue *Pratiques langagières et idéologies linguistiques en contexte urbain : Les communautés linguistiques de Montréal* 6 articles, 1 intro.

Financial situation: Healthy.

There was no need to transfer money from the association to the journal this year. This is a breakdown of the subscription revenue (without the expenses). See additional three documents for financial report.

Canadian Journal of Linguistics

2013 Year End

Revenue	Budget	Actual	Variance
Foreign Exchange	0.00	628.00	628.00
Royalty Revenue	26,000.00	36,128.53	10,128.53
Single Issue Revenue	75.00	67.00	(8.00)
Total Revenue	\$ 26,075.00	\$ 36,823.53	\$ 10,748.53
Expenses			
Printing	6,500.00	5,668.79	831.21
Postage and Delivery	875.00	789.55	85.45
US Postage	900.00	791.85	108.15
Foreign Postage	800.00	802.61	(2.61)
Mail Preparation	1,250.00	1,172.73	77.27
Promotion	1,500.00	2,087.79	(587.79)
Circulation Management	6,200.00	6,500.81	(300.81)
Journals Management	7,350.00	7,350.00	0.00
GST Paid	2,400.00	2,528.48	(128.48)
Total Expenses	\$ 27,775.00	\$ 27,692.61	\$ 82.39
Profit (Loss)	\$ (1,700.00)	\$ 9,130.92	\$ 10,666.14

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Total Revenues Less Expenses 0.00 0.00 0.00 47,364.39 -1,908.00 45,456.39 F

Closing Fund Balance - All Orgn Codes Included 47,364.39

F-Favourable, U-Unfavourable

Current Year Period: Budget: Form: OS (JATURPIN) Display

Chart U Fund 230795 Mathieu/SSHRC/129318 Fund Type 21 Period Apr-2014 As At: 2014/05/21 07:35:AM

Code	Title	Initial Budget	Effective Budget	Apr-2014 Month Actual	Apr-2014 YTD Actual	O/S Commitments	\$ YTD Variance	Budget Fav/Unfav
Opening Fund Balance - All Orgn Codes Included					0.00			
Octrois-contrats / Grants-Contracts								
50141	CRSHC / SSHRC	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	65,673.50	
	Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	65,673.50	F
Recherche-Budget revenus/Rev.Bud								
50000	Recherche-Budget revenus/Rev.Bud	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	-65,673.50	
	Subtotal	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	-65,673.50	100.0% U
	Total REVENUES	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Salaires / Salaries								
62342	Bours.doct.can./Schol.Hold.Doct.Can	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,632.00	1,908.00	-9,540.00	
	Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,632.00	1,908.00	-9,540.00	U
	Total Salaries & Ben.	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,632.00	1,908.00	-9,540.00	U
Déplacements / Travel								
71101	Voyage autorisé / Authorized Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.16	0.00	-368.16	
	Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.16	0.00	-368.16	U
Honoraires Prof./ Prof. Fees								
71803	Hon.prof.-général / General	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,185.89	0.00	-10,185.89	
	Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,185.89	0.00	-10,185.89	U
Autres dépenses/Other Expenses								
71502	Renc.d'affaires/Business Meet.	0.00	0.00	0.00	123.06	0.00	-123.06	
	Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	123.06	0.00	-123.06	U
Recherche-Budget dépenses/Exp.Bud								
70000	Recherche-Budget dépenses/Exp.Bud	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,673.50	
	Subtotal	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,673.50	100.0% F
	Total Expenses (excl. Salaries & Ben.)	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	10,677.11	0.00	54,996.39	83.7% F
	Total EXPENSES	0.00	65,673.50	0.00	18,309.11	1,908.00	45,456.39	69.2% F
	Total Revenues Less Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,364.39	-1,908.00	45,456.39	F
Closing Fund Balance - All Orgn Codes Included					47,364.39			

F-Favourable, U-Unfavourable

New grant application due June 1, 2014 (for next three years).

The journal could not survive without the SSHRC grant and the MUSE income.

Readership data

Subscription data Volume 58

Institutional: 162

Individual: 306

Total: 468

Subscription data Volume 57

Institutional: 183

Individual: 217

Total: 400

Subscription data Volume 56

Institutional: 203

Individual: 253

Total: 456

Project MUSE readership:

Unique readers per month: 865 (20779 total, divided by 24 months to provide average) (compared with 791 two years ago).

Articles viewed: 21 859 (compared with 14 397 two years ago).

ToCs viewed 21 859 (compared with 14 902 two years ago).

Geographic locations of visitors (number of countries): 99 (compared with 65 countries two years ago).

Cambridge University Press:

They want to make us a financial offer.

Would solve many problems.

We need to internationalize. Larger editorial board? More Canadian linguists from the US? Who help promote the journal?

The journal still doesn't get enough submissions from Canadian linguists. This is a continuing problem.

5.4 Nominating Committee (F. Poiré for I. Paul)

Committee Members:

Ileana Paul (Acting Chair)
Martina Wiltschko
Mireille Tremblay

Thanks to Outgoing Members:

Elizabeth Ritter, Member of the Programme Committee
Patricia Balcom, Member-at-large
Mireille Tremblay, Member of the Nominating Committee

Nominations:

Member-at-large (2014-16) Ivona Kucerova (McMaster).
Member of the Nominating Committee (2014-16) Monique Dufresne (Queen's).
Member of the Programme Committee (2014-18) Keir Moulton (SFU).

5.5 Report of the Chair of the Program Committee (J. Walker)

Members of the committee:

James Walker (York): Chair, 2013-17
Luis Alonso Ovalle (McGill): member. 2013-17
Elizabeth Ritter (Calgary): member, 2010-14
Anne-Michelle Tessier (UAlberta) : member, 2012-16
Alexandra D'Arcy (Victoria) : member, 2012-16

Summary of submissions:

	Accepted	Rejected	TOTAL	Rate
Acquisition	15	2	17	88%
Morphology	3	1	4	75%
Historical	2	1	3	67%
Phonetics	6	0	6	100%
Phonology	9	1	10	90%
Pragmatics	5	0	5	100%
Psycho	9	0	9	100%
Semantics	5	1	6	83%
Socio	7	1	8	88%
Syntax	21	3	24	88%
Other	0	3	3	0%
TOTAL	82	13	95	86%

Comments:

- Fewer submissions.
 - Smaller location?
- Problems with EasyAbs, especially the e-mail interface.
 - Switch to EasyChair next year.
- Discomfort with reviewing abstracts outside of sub-discipline.
 - Revise abstract guidelines for a general linguistics audience?
 - Expand program committee?
 - Recruit reviewers outside of committee?

5.6 Report on the Student Prize Competitions (Patricia Balcom & D. Currie Hall)

François Poiré and Patricia Balcom were responsible for the 2013 competition. Poiré allocated talks and posters to judges, and Balcom verified the results. During the conference Poiré compiled the results. After the conference, Balcom sent the final results and comments to Leslie Saxon so that she could write letters to the winners and their departments.

For 2014, Patricia Balcom and Daniel Currie-Hall are responsible for the competition. Balcom allocated talks and posters to judges, and Hall verified the results. During the conference Balcom will compile the results, and after the conference Hall will send the final results and comments to the president.

Table 1
Number of oral presentations and posters 2011-2014

		orale	affiche	total	juges	X
2011	Fred'ton	16	3	19	15	3.8
2012	Waterloo	21	7	28	17	4.9
2013	Victoria	39	23	62	31	6.0
2014	St. Cath.	19	10	29	19	4.6

2013 competition put together 62 students judged by 31 professors.

31 professors had to judge 6 papers, 2 had 7 papers and 1 had 8.
Our preliminary numbers for 2014 look more like 2012.

Best paper: Julie Goncharov (University of Toronto) “Self-superlatives”

Julie Goncharov's presentation was simply impeccable: it was perfectly paced, the data were clearly presented, the argumentation was solid and her analysis was sound. The aspect of her presentation that was truly remarkable was the way she handled the Q/C period: she was attentive to the questions and comments and answered all questions thoroughly. She conducted herself very professionally.

Honourable mention (paper): Michael Hamilton (McGill) “Wh movement in Mi'gmaq

The theory and data were clear and well described, and the material was presented in an engaging fashion. The presentation was very original, with careful attention given to data and the literature. Michael's work will likely be an important contribution to Algonquian linguistics.

Honourable mention (paper): Kevin McMullin (UBC) “Learning consonant harmony in artificial languages”

The experiment was well designed and well executed. Kevin's presentation was professional, with slides clearly illustrating the necessary points. He was fully aware of the limitations of his study. He responded well to questions, and thought quickly on his feet. All in all, a job well done.

Best poster: Alexandra Motut (University of Toronto) “A semantics for object-oriented depictives and their connection to partitives”

Alexandra Motut's poster was clear and well organized and contained all the information necessary. Her oral presentation of the poster was lucid and systematic. The data and arguments were totally understandable. The analysis is innovative since it explains in a simple manner a wide range of data that were not accounted for in the literature, and has strong predictive power.

Honourable mention (poster): Sonja Thoma (UBC) “Bavarian discourse particles: At the syntax-pragmatics interface”

The poster was well-made, and fitted in well with various other recent works. It was not outstanding in itself, but the way Sonja discussed truly was. She was exceptionally articulate, balanced in her assessment of her material, and open to new ideas and constructive criticism. Good posters can spiral off into long discussions which aren't really possible with talks, and Sonja's poster was one of those.

5.7 Report from the Prize Committee (E. Mathieu)

The winner of this year's National Achievement Award is Jila Ghomeshi (University of Manitoba).

It was agreed that from this year on, we will ask the winner to give a talk at the CLA. Jila will give a talk on May 26 at 11:15 at Thistle 243: *Who are we talking to when we talk to 'the public' about linguistics?*

The prize is awarded to Jila in recognition of her contributions to linguistics in Canada through effectiveness in communication and popularization beyond academia.

There will be a feature in the July issue of the CJL.

Thanks to Patricia Balcom and James Walker, other members of the committee.

The President of the association asked E. Mathieu to chair this committee in 2014 (we don't have a Past-president). He agrees.

5.8 Report of the Student Representative, Shan Luo, UVic, 2013 (L. Saxon)

2013 is the first year for the student representative to work with the member-at-large (Patricia Balcom) for the proceedings.

As novice as a new student representative could be, I was very grateful for having Patricia walking me through everything. She noticed several format issues that escaped my attention and helped me with French when needed.

With her and the webmaster Daniel Hall's expertise, we were able to put 47 papers up online in early March, which is quite a bit earlier than we expected given the extensive work, comparing to 26 papers in 2012.

The only suggestion is that the format letter needs to be updated. Many people have complained that the guideline is not specific enough and is not compatible with the previous proceedings.

Being a student representative is such a wonderful experience. It's nice to be involved in the discussion of CLA agenda in the past year, knowing what the committee is dedicated to. Thanks again for everyone giving me this opportunity!

5.9 E. Gold, Canadian Language Museum

Chair : Elaine Gold (Toronto)

Vice-Chair : Keren Rice (Toronto)

Board Members : Brandon Fry (Ottawa), Gerard Van Herk (Memorial), Alex Park (Shaw Communications, Calgary), Mihaela Pirvulescu (UofT Mississauga).

Honorary Patron : Tomson Highway

The third travelling exhibit 'Le Français au Canada' was created in partnership with France Martineau's project 'Le français à la mesure d'un continent'. Three students from University of Toronto's Master of Museum Studies program assisted with the exhibit: Katharine Snider-McNair, Robyn Bosnuak and Kaetlen Bursey.