

## CASCA 2010 Report

1. I will reiterate what is in the January Teleconference minutes with some additions:
  - a. In order to make the tri-partite sponsorship of CASCA less awkward we have decided to call it CASCA New Brunswick
  - b. We don't have to pay for conference or banquet rooms at STU
  - c. Website will be organized through STU.
  - d. We have contracts with one major hotel (Crowne Plaza) but the other major (the Delta) made unreasonable demands in terms of insuring room utilization. In conjunction with Robert who reviewed their contract we decided against using the Delta. This does not mean members can't reserve there; they just won't get a special rate.
  - e. We have space at B and Bs and are working with the STU summer hotel residence people to get us rooms with bathrooms etc as well as regular residence rooms.
  - f. We have had discussions with Aramark (STU catering franchise) about catering Executive meeting, breaks and banquet. Costs will be kept under control but we will not be cheap in what we provide to members.
  - g. We have a LOC contract that is almost ready to sign. Janice has given me some suggestions to the draft created by the Evie, Robert and I, which I will get to when I get home.
  - h. I have worked with Fredericton Tourism to get us freebies and advertising etc.
  - i. We have a selection of companies from which to order tote bags and we have cost estimates.
  - j. Program can be designed and printed through STU.
  - k. Technical support will be provided through STU but I do not yet have a cost estimate.
  - l. We have a great space for the book fair and registration desk.
  - m. We do not need a coordinator because I am doing that now. What we need is help organizing people for the Keynote/plenaries. Suggestions are welcome. We do not have the connections that some of you have...that is something I will need help with.
  - n. We may have a president who is willing to fund the reception cheese and wine. The new president says he took it to the Board of STU but so far I have heard nothing back.
2. Future issues:
  - a. Finding Keynote speakers.
  - b. SHHRC grant?
  - c. CIHR grants?
  - d. Pay Pal: We need to decide this and get a process together so we can get it ready for website use.
  - e. When is the earliest we can put up website and call for papers?
  - f. Student participation? What, given the Montreal experience, should we be doing here?
  - g. Airline Issue: The planes into Fredericton are small and therefore bring in only a few people at a time. I will try to contact Scare Canada to see if more planes or larger planes

can be put on for our conference dates. I will also check to see if we can get our members special rates. I have been told there is an electronic way of applying for this. I was also told that these special rates will be more than seat sale prices.

- h. Day Care has not yet been arranged.
  - i. We have yet to work out a process how Evie, Robert and I will choose papers and arrange sessions.
  - j. Other?
3. The theme of this conference will be:

The Greening of Anthropology in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Anthropology Re-imagined and Revitalized

A draft of the Call for Proposals/Papers is as follows (this is still subject to revision in detail but not in overall content.)

Anthropology continues to interrogate its theory, discourse and practice and, as a result, has revitalized and re-imagined itself along multiple vectors. Anthropology focuses on global themes of neo-liberalism, transnationalism, cosmopolitanism. New approaches to history, colonialism, neocolonialism/postcolonialism have also been foregrounded. Subjugated knowledges within anthropology force anthropologists to re-examine earlier dominant theoretical, methodological and applied practices resulting in new understandings of seemingly settled matters. Moves toward engagement with multiple publics are bringing new relevance to anthropology beyond academia. New collaborations with indigenous peoples are also creating new ways of doing and thinking about anthropology outside of the savage slot. Legal anthropology has re-emerged particularly with regard to work with Aboriginal peoples in North America. Practical/applied anthropology has also come to the forefront as more anthropologists become employed outside of academia in, for example, community and policy realms. Many anthropologists are now working with gay, lesbian and transgendered communities that have broadened anthropology's already broad gaze. Others focus on explicitly politicized realms such as new social movements, revolutionary groups and on the militarization of anthropology. Anthropologies of the environment and of media are emerging as a new focus. This conference seeks to investigate the reimagining and revitalization of anthropology across multiple domains.