

CASCA Secretary's Report 2007-2010
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1) Elections of Executive Members, and New Portfolios

There continues to be a very active and committed sector in Canadian Anthropology, with many colleagues willing and honoured to volunteer their time to participate in the running of our national society. Executive positions have been filled through the nomination process each time a position has become vacant, without the need for elections. Colleagues joining the executive continue to represent interests and departments across Canada. We currently have representation from British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

In addition, the work of CASCA has become more sophisticated and new portfolios have been added. These include full executive membership to our Webmaster, and the new position of Treasurer-Elect.

2) Annual General Meetings, and other meetings

The CASCA executive continue to meet twice during the annual conference, holding one day-long business meeting before the conference and a half-day post-conference meeting. These are supplemented with two annual teleconferences, held in September and January.

3) Salisbury Award Competitions and Recipients

Over the past three years, we have had many excellent Salisbury Award applications. These reflect an ongoing strong and vibrant commitment to practising anthropology among graduate students. Recipients and their reports and presentations can be found on the CASCA website.

4) Records, Manuals and Archives

CASCA records are archived every five years. This year is an archiving year. All business papers, including agendas, minutes and reports are archived during this time. In addition, CASCA has developed a series of manuals for regulating operations for the society and its annual conferences.

We continue to be members in good standing with Industry Canada, the Federation of Social Sciences, and the World Congress of Anthropological Associations.