

# Canadian Association of Law Libraries Website Editorial Board (WEB) Annual Business Meeting May 7, 2017

## Minutes

### Attendees:

- Michel-Adrien Sheppard, Supreme Court of Canada (outgoing chair) – [Michel-Adrien.Sheppard@scc-csc.ca](mailto:Michel-Adrien.Sheppard@scc-csc.ca)
- John Kerr, Wellington Law Association – [lawlibwell@gmail.com](mailto:lawlibwell@gmail.com)
- Susannah Tredwell, DLA Piper - [susannah.tredwell@dlapiper.com](mailto:susannah.tredwell@dlapiper.com)
- John Sadler, UWO – [jsadler@uwo.ca](mailto:jsadler@uwo.ca)
- Maryvon Côté, McGill (Board liaison) – [maryvon.cote@mcgill.ca](mailto:maryvon.cote@mcgill.ca)

1. **Welcome comments** from chair: circulate e-mail list, appoint note-taker for the meeting

Michel-Adrien welcomes everyone, circulates attendee list, volunteers to take notes.

2. **Adoption of minutes of the 2016 annual business meeting**

Susannah moves for adoption, seconded by John K. 2016 minutes are adopted.

3. **Selection of a new chair**

Michel-Adrien explains that he must step down as chair since he has been elected to the CALL Board as a member-at-large. He has been told by the incoming CALL president that he will be in charge of the Board's publications portfolio, which includes acting as Board liaison to the website editorial board.

4. **Discussion of any feedback concerning the website & 5. Ideas for improving the website & increasing content**

These two areas of discussion more or less overlapped:

- Maryvon explained that the Canadian Law Library Review (CLLR) and the KF Modified schedules would be moving to an open access model. This will have ramifications for how their materials are published on the website. CLLR is now in the Members-Only section. For a long time, CALL believed that dues-paying members should receive certain benefits and access to CLLR was one of them. John K. Kerr suggested that free access to CLLR is a good idea but perhaps with a one-year embargo so that there still appears to be some advantage to being a member. Michel-Adrien will connect with the CLLR editors to find out what they have in mind.

- Michel-Adrien explained that the CALL Board is looking into creating an advocacy area that would contain the association's official docs and public positions. A logical place for this would be in the "About Us" section of the website.
- John S. suggested that materials about CALL's history could also perhaps go in the About Us area: articles on our history, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary videos shot in 2012. John K. on videos: we should keep site as compact as possible; the more the quantity of material on servers, the harder the site is to backup. Perhaps archival or historical material should be left off of any servers. Maryvon suggested that we mention the existence of such material on the site with a note that members can ask National Office if they want copies of the files
- Michel-Adrien explained that he will talk to National Office and the new WEB chair to discuss changes to the About Us section.
- John S. also commented that he could not find text about the CALL bylaw officer or the CALL archivist on the website. He also wanted to know how to locate the finding aid to the CALL archives kept at the University of Manitoba. Michel-Adrien will find out about both items.

N.B. after the business meeting, Michel-Adrien found that a link to the association archives (<https://main.lib.umanitoba.ca/canadian-association-of-law-libraries-fonds;rad>) could be located in the Members-Only section under "Members Resources". It is worth looking into making this available to the public

In terms of producing new content:

- Michel-Adrien will continue monitoring CALL member blogs, Twitter feeds and other social media to produce a regular summary for the CALL blog
- Michel-Adrien will examine the feasibility of producing a monthly list with foreign association news (AALL, SLA Legal, BIALL, ALLA, IALL)
- Other new content in the pipeline includes new member and project profiles produced by the Membership Development Committee, and the possible production of a document on how to prove the value of your library by the Courthouse and Law Society Libraries SIG
- Maryvon asked whether there was an index of CALL conference proceedings and links to recordings of conference sessions. Michel-Adrien will make inquiries
- John S. thought we should have a copy of the "CALL Charter" on the website – he can provide a link

## 6. Other business

None

## 7. Adjournment

[Minutes by Michel-Adrien Sheppard, May 16, 2017]