

Report of the Secretary
CASCA 45th Annual General Meeting
held in Quebec City, QC, June 10, 2014
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1) CASCA Elections

This year, the position of 2nd Vice-President is being eliminated and will not be refilled. The Society thanks outgoing 2nd V-P Stéphane Courteau for his service to the community. The terms of the 1st Vice-President (Christine Wilson), and one Director (Samar Safi-Harb) will expire at the Annual General Meeting in June. The deadline to receive additional nominations has passed, and no additional nominations were received. Therefore, the following officer is elected by acclamation:

President: Christine Wilson

An election is taking place to elect a Vice-President out of two candidates and two directors out of four candidates selected by the Nomination Committee:

Vice-President: Roberto Abraham, Brian McNamara

Directors: Stéphane Courteau, Sarah Gallagher, Erik Rosolowsky, Ingrid Stairs

2) CASCA Membership

CASCA accepts members in the following categories: Ordinary member (professionally engaged in research or teaching in astronomy or a related science), Associate member (professionally engaged in work related to astronomy such as, but not restricted to, instrumentation engineers, teachers, or museum, planetarium or science centre professional staff), Student member (enrolled for at least one academic year in a program of graduate studies in astronomy or astrophysics at a recognized university), and Corporate member. Detailed requirements for each category and application forms are available on the CASCA website. The dues may be paid by mail by sending a cheque with the application form, or by electronic means using the PayPal secure online payment system. Note that members who have let their membership lapse are now required to pay a reinstatement fee when they rejoin. To avoid the reinstatement fee, members who do not wish to remain a CASCA member must resign in writing, by sending an e-mail to the CASCA Secretary. Any question or comment may be sent to the Secretary: CASCA-Secretary@casca.ca. First year students can now become members for free for their first year of membership.

3) Membership Statistics (as of June 3, 2014)

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		2014 Good standing	2014 1 yr in arrears	2014 2 yrs in arrears
Honorary	2	2	2	2	2	2		2	0	0
Corporate	7	8	7	7	8	5		3	1	1
Ordinary (*)	391	394	379	370	368	362		319	39	29
Associate	4	5	6	5	7	8		8	1	0
Student	158	174	173	163	159	147		102 (**)	39	43
Total (***)	562	583	567	547	544	524		434	81	72
						TOTAL 2014		515		

(*) For all years, includes numbers of regular ordinary members, PDFs, retired members, and CASCA+CAP members. For 2013, numbers include only members in good standing or those who were one year in arrears with dues. For 2014, those in good standing or one year in arrears included 224 regular ordinary members, 53 retired members, 53 PDFs, and 28 CASCA+CAP members.

(**) Includes 18 1st year students for 2014

(***) For years 2008-2012, includes members who were two years in arrears with dues, and were expelled at that year's annual meeting. For 2013 and 2014, such members are not included.

4) Membership Changes since the 2013 AGM

CASCA lost Professor Richard Adrian Jarrell of York University, who passed away in December 2013. His obituary, published in the Vernal Equinox 2014 edition of E-Cassiopeia, noted that he was "a knowledgeable scholar in the history of science and astronomy" and he "inspired students through his own love of learning."

New members (50) and Conversions (14)		
Corporate	N/A	
Associate	Olivier Daigle	Nüvü Cameras
Ordinary (incl. PDF, retired)	Aaron Boley	University of British Columbia
	Ivana Damjanov	Harvard-Smithsonian CfA
	Robert Ferdman	McGill University
	Bernadette Fissel	ASL Environmental Sciences
	Caroline Foster (Guanzon)	Australian Astronomical Observatory
	Konstantinos Gourgouliatos	McGill University
	Matthew Hasselfield	Princeton University
	Wladimir Lyra	California Institute of Technology

	Gerald H. Moriarty-Schieven	National Research Council
	Evan O'Connor	CITA
	Timothy Robishaw	National Research Council
	Alexander van Engelen	SUNY Stony Brook
	Keith Vanderlinde	University of Toronto
Students	Robin Arnason	University of Alberta
	Frederique Baron	Université de Montréal
	Samantha Benincasa	McMaster University
	Antoine Bilodeau (1 st year)	Université Laval
	Christien Carles (1 st year)	Université Laval
	Lorraine Chretien (1 st year)	Université Laval
	Simon Coude	Université de Montréal
	Anna Delahaye	McGill University
	Jacinthe Dube	?
	Gwendolyn Eadie (Springford)	McMaster University
	Seth Epps (1 st year)	University of Waterloo
	Pierre Fortier	Université Laval
	Erica Franzmann	University of Manitoba
	Cynthia Genest-Beaulieu	Université de Montréal
	Marianne Girard (1 st year)	Université Laval
	Hoori Ghashooni	Western University
	Clare Higgs (1 st year)	University of Victoria
	Mohammad Hussein (1 st year)	University of Manitoba
	Gandhali Joshi (1 st year)	McMaster University
	Prime Karera (1 st year)	Université Laval
	Colin Lewis (1 st year)	Queen's University
	Aisha Mahmoud-Perez (1 st year)	McMaster University
	Thomas Martin	Université Laval
	Angus Mok	McMaster University
	Jean-Michel Mugnes	Université Laval
	Javiera Parada (1 st year)	University of British Columbia
	Farid Qamar	Trent University
	Sujith Ranasinghe (1 st year)	University of Calgary
	Christian Ritter (1 st year)	University of Victoria
	Laurie Rousseau-Nepton	Université Laval
	Paul Scholz	McGill University
	Alexandra Tetarenko	University of Alberta
	Bailey Tetarenko	University of Alberta
	Eric Trottier	Université Laval
	Stephen Turnbull	Guelph-Waterloo Physics Institute
	Adrian Vantighem	University of Waterloo

Conversions (Student to PDF)	Yasuhiro Hasegawa	Academia Sinica Institute for Astronomy & Astrophysics
	Harsha Sanjeev Kumar	University of Manitoba
	Michael McDonald	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
	Tara Jill Parkin	McMaster University
	Jean-Claude Passy	Argelander Institute for Astronomy
	Joel C. Roediger	UC Santa Cruz
	Sarah Sadavoy	Max-Planck Institute of Astronomy Heidelberg
Conversions (PDF to Associate)	Wesley Fraser	National Research Council
Conversions (Ordinary to Associate)	Stephen Holland	Eureka Scientific
Conversions (PDF to Ordinary)	Hilding Neilson	East Tennessee State University
	Leslie Rogers	California Institute of Technology
	Sherry Chia-Chen Yeh	Suburu Telescope
Conversions (Ordinary to CASCA+CAP)	David R. Patton	Trent University
	Jeroen M. Stil	University of Calgary

Resignations (16)

David Ballantyne	Ord
Mark Booth	Pdf
Brendan Cooper	Stu
Rebecca Danos	Pdf
Jonathan Downing	Stu
Paul Feldman	Ret
Alyssa Gilbert (Moldowan)	Pdf
Uzair Hussain	Stu
Marilyn Latour	Stu
Andrew Pon	Stu
Abilgail L. Stevens	Stu
Matthew Stevenson	Stu
Jacques Vallée	Ret
Anne-Marie Weijmans	Pdf
Michael J. West	Ord
James Wurster	Stu

Expulsions (72)

Mohammed Hassan Abdallah	Stu
Judith Agar	Stu
Ahmed Ahmed	Stu
Mohaddesseh Azimlu	Pdf
Nicolas Battaglia	Stu
Jean Bedard	Ord
Sandie Bouchard	Stu
Henry M. Bradford	Ret
Peter Brown	Ord
Simon J. Cantin	Stu
Christopher Capobianco	Stu
Ceravolo Optical Systems	Corp
David Clarke	Ord
Mitchell Croley	Stu
Alexander Desouza	Stu
Paul Edmon	Pdf
Pascal Elahi	Pdf
Khaled Elshamouty	Stu
Marzieh Farhang	Stu
Ghazal Farhani	Stu
Francois Finet	Stu
Jennifer Golding	Stu
Chad Greene	Stu
Cedric Grenon	Stu
Jonathan Grossauer	Stu
Sukpreet Singh Guram	Stu
Mark Halpern	Ord
Elizabeth Harper-Clark	Stu
Kenneth C. Heaton	Ord
Falk Herwig	Ord
Talayeh Hezareh	Pdf
Alan R. Hildebrand	Ord
Glenn Kacprzak	Stu
Bahman Karimi	Stu
Stephanie Keating	Stu
Pamela Klaassen	Pdf
Nicholas Koning	Pdf
Luis Lehner	Ord
Todd Mackenzie	Stu
Daniel Majaess	Stu
Sarah Malek	Stu
Lianne Manzer	Stu
Brittany McDonald	Stu

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Meghan McGill	Stu
Douglas S. McNeil	Pdf
George F. Mitchell	Ret
Richard Murowinski	Ord
Peter Newbury	Ord
Alex Parker	Stu
Parshati Patel	Stu
Fernando Pena	Pdf
Judith L. Pipher	Ret
Teznie Pugh	Stu
Pierre-Olivier Quirion	Pdf
Hoda Rashedi	Stu
Amanda Schembri	Stu
Ian Shelton	Ord
Matthew E. Shultz	Stu
Amelie Simon	Stu
Brendan Sinnott	Stu
Blair C. Smith	Stu
Stacy Smolash	Stu
Rafael Sorkin	Ord
Ryan Speller	Stu
Gopika Sreenilayam	Stu
David James Stock	Pdf
Peter G. Sutherland	Ord
Maryam Tabeshian	Stu
David Tilley	Ord
Samuel Tisi	Stu
Christian Veillet	Ord
Tyrone Woods	Stu