

2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

3 June 2022 (Friday), 17:00 – 18:00 PM CST

CGU Joint Meeting with CMOS Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Executive:

- Robert Kingdon, UNB (President) [RK]
- Jianliang Huang, NRCAN (Vice President) [JH]
- Michael Sheng, UNB (Secretary) [MS]

Members:

- Calvin Klatt [CK]
- Ismael Foroughi [IF]
- Yan Jiang [YJ]

Regrets:

Executive:

- John Crowley, NRCAN (Treasurer) [JC]
- Tom James, NRCAN (Member-at-Large) [TJ]
- Elena Rangelova, U of C (Member-at-Large) [ER]
- Evangelia Myrto Tzamali, York University (Student Member) [MT]

Agenda:

1. Approval of agenda [RK]
 - JH moved, CK Seconded
 - All in favour, IF abstaining
2. Approval of minutes of last meeting [RK] (2019 CGU GS AGM)
 - CK moved, JH Seconded
 - All in favour, IF abstaining
3. Business arising from the minutes
 - a. Role of the Geodesy Section — Discussion hiatus [RK]
 - Discussion of the role, no in-person conferences, low attendance and registration because of this. Student involvement is very low now.
 - Ismael: Student competition is valuable, and this should still exist, was a very good experience when he was a graduate student.
 - RK: CGU very good “training” conference; small and close community that provides good experiences. There may be a lack of graduate students going forward with the vast number of retirements of geodesy professors upcoming (Sideris, Pagatiakis, Marcelo, etc.)

- Calvin: Everyone tends to join only when they're going to meetings, meetings drive registration and we're still in a pandemic situation. Next year is the real test to see if more drastic action is required. CGU gives students an avenue to present unlike some of the larger conferences.
4. President's report [RK]
- a. News from CGU Executive
 - i. Possible dissolution of the Earth Surface Processes section
 - ESP haven't been able to have a full executive in quite some time, they are currently investigating the process of dissolving the section and what that means.
 - b. Upcoming scientific meetings
 - i. Banff 7–10 May 2023 (CGU only; student fees to be waived that year)
 - ii. Ottawa or Victoria 2024 (CGU only)
 - iii. Saskatoon 2025 (Joint with CMOS)
 - Banff next year, student fees waived in an attempt to revitalize the number of student memberships.
 - 2025 meeting location is tentative.
5. Vice President's Report [JH]
- a. Report on participation in 2022 CGU-CMOS-ESC Joint Meeting
 - b. Student paper competition
 - 21 Abstracts to Geodesy/Solid Earth session, only 6 Geodesy abstracts submitted
 - 2 Abstracts to Geodesy section that was combined with Solid Earth Geophysics
 - 2 Student papers submitted this year. There will be a student paper competition still this year.
 - CGU website has not updated the award winner since 2018.
 - Only 2 papers but that is relatively similar to 2018; CK mentioned that 10-15 years ago it used to be higher (6-7)
 - **Action: Ensure that this year's winner (and last year) needs to be added to the website.**
6. Treasurer's report [ER] – Delivered by RK
- a. Current financials summary
 - In April, account contained \$3846.71.
 - There were some difficulties transferring the access of the account to JC. ER still has access but will be transferring to new treasurer this summer.
 - \$500.00 to be given for student prize this year

7. Secretary's report [MS]

a. Current membership numbers summary

2022:

- Primary Geodesy: 11 Regular Membership
- Secondary Geodesy: 7 + 1 Student

2021:

- Primary Geodesy: 8 + 1 Student
- Secondary Geodesy: 10 + 4 Students

2020:

- Primary Geodesy: 20 + 10 Students
- Secondary Geodesy: 12 + 1 Student

- Membership has dropped significantly going into the pandemic, most registrations take place leading up to the conference which has been virtual for the past 2 years.
- Everyone registered now has noted Solid Earth as their other focus; in 2020 we had a few Hydrologists that we seem to have lost going into the pandemic.
- o **Action: Please register as a member this year if you have not done so!**

8. New business [RK]

a. Election of new Geodesy Section Executive:

- o Ismael Foroughi, Gov. BC (President) *new*
- o Jianliang Huang, NRCan (Vice President) *returning*
- o Michael Sheng, UNB (Secretary) *returning*
- o Yan Jiang, NRCan (Treasurer) *new*
- o Tom James, NRCan (Member-at-Large) *returning*
- o Elena Rangelova, U of C (Member-at-Large) *returning*
- o Evangelia Myrto Tzamali, York University (Student Member) *returning*
- o Robert Kingdon, UNB (Past President)

- CK moved to elect the slate of candidates as new the Executive, RK seconded.
- Motion carried unanimously.

9. AOB [RK]

- IF: What happened to the new logo? There was a competition a few years ago but nothing seems to have happened with it since. Website needs updating, it should be included there!
- o **Action: Designate an Executive member to pursue website updates including the new logo.**

10. Adjournment [RK]

- IF moved, MS seconded.