

CAJ board of directors meeting
Feb. 2, 2014, 2 p.m. ET via Skype

Present board members: Hugo Rodrigues, Paul Schneidereit, Ellin Bessner, Sean Holman, Dale Bass, Francois Biber, Nick Taylor-Vaisey, Shauna Rempel, Micah Luxen. Other: Anja Karadeglija

1. D. Bass called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.
2. D. Bass moved to approve the agenda, E. Bessner seconded. Agenda was approved.
3. H. Rodrigues moved to approve the minutes from the Oct. 5-6 board meeting in Toronto. E. Bessner seconded, minutes were approved.
4. H. Rodrigues presented the president's report. The board discussed whether to approve the revised bylaws suggested in the report. The board decided to conduct that vote by email at a later date.
H. Rodrigues moved that the CAJ become a formal partner with Unifor and the Canadian Media Guild on the "journalism matters" campaign; and,
That the president keep the board apprised of the campaign's development, messaging and launch. F. Biber seconded, motion carried.
H. Rodrigues moved that the CAJ President's Award be renamed the CAJ Charles Bury Award;
That the president be charged with preparing a presentation to suitably commemorate this honour to be shown at the awards gala / conference banquet on May 10;
That a family member be invited to attend the awards gala / conference banquet in Vancouver; and,
That if required the CAJ fund from its general revenues travel and accommodation expenses for the above. P. Schneidereit seconded, motion carried.
- H. Rodrigues moved that the CAJ authorize the president to sign a contract with Du Media, at the quoted cost of \$3000 for redevelopment of the website; and,
That the directors consulted in the preparation of this report and any others named by the board be involved in the development, testing and launch of the redesign.
M. Luxen seconded, motion carried.
5. P. Schneidereit presented the treasurer's report. P. Schneidereit moved that the board approve the 2014 budget. M. Luxen seconded, motion carried.
6. S. Rempel presented the community manager's report.

7. A. Karadeglija presented the administrator's report.
8. H. Rodrigues presented the awards committee report.
9. D. Bass / S. Holman presented the events committee report. S. Holman gave update on J-fest.
10. E. Bessner presented the membership committee report.

E. Bessner moved to have E. Bessner get quotes to print an edition of Media magazine and come back to the board with quote for approval. S. Holman seconded, motion carried.

E. Bessner moved that the rate for associate membership be changed to match the rates for active members. M. Luxen seconded. Motion was tabled for the June board meeting.
11. H. Rodrigues gave an update on the June Winnipeg conference update.
12. F. Biber presented the Saskatchewan chapter report, S. Rempel presented the Toronto chapter report and N. Taylor-Vaisey presented the National Capital Region chapter report.
13. New business: the board discussed what it can do in the case of Mohamed Fahmy, the Egyptian-Canadian journalist jailed in Egypt.
14. The board noted it would reserve the ability to call a quick board meeting during the 2014 conference, and that the CAJ annual meeting would take place May 11, 2014 in Vancouver. The next in-person board meeting was set for June 2014, location TBA.
15. The meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.