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TO: M. Robert Giroux, President, AUCC
FROM: Timothy Mark, Executive Director
SUBJECT: **Summary of the 2003 Annual General Meeting of CARL**
DATE: November 4, 2003

The following are highlights of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Saturday May 31, 2003; 8:30 a.m., Admiral Room, The Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Present:	Cynthia	Archer	York
*	Darrell	Baillie	British Columbia
	Sylvie	Belzile	Sherbrooke - Secretary
	Claude	Bonnelly	Laval
	Lynn	Copeland	Simon Fraser
	Jean-Pierre	Côté	Montréal
	Bernard	Dumouchel	CISTI
	Gwen	Ebbett	Windsor - Treasurer
*	Jean-Marc	Edwards	Concordia
	Richard	Ellis	Memorial
	Martin	Foss	Carleton
	Joyce	Garnett	Western Ontario - Vice-President
	Frances	Groen	McGill
	Mark	Haslett	Waterloo
	Graham	Hill	McMaster
	Ernie	Ingles	Alberta
*	Paul	McCormick	Library and Archives of Canada
*	Julie	McKenna	Regina
	William	Maes	Dalhousie - President
	Carole	Moore	Toronto
	Frits	Pannekoek	Calgary - Director
	Diane	Polnicky	Québec à Montréal
	Carolynne	Presser	Manitoba
*	Helen	Salmon	Guelph
	Marnie	Swanson	Victoria
	John	Teskey	New Brunswick - Director
	Leslie	Weir	Ottawa
	Paul	Wiens	Queen's
	Frank	Winter	Saskatchewan
	Steven	McKibbin	Research and Program Officer
	Katherine	McColgan	Administrative Assistant

Regrets: Timothy Mark Executive Director

Note: * **Acting Director or Delegate**

1. Committee Reports and Issues arising

1.1 Standing Committee on Copyright (G. Hill) (SD 3.4)

The campaign for leadership of the Liberal Party and a number of major political issues have combined to push copyright legislation into the background. During the summer the Committee will work on the Brief to be submitted by September 15 to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage.

The Copyright Committee reviewed the priority issues for CARL using *the Section 92 Review: CARL/ABRC Priority Issues* document (revised May 2003).

The Council of Ministers of Education – Canada (CMEC) has begun an initiative to legislate the educational use of 'publicly available' material on the Internet. T. Mark attended the meeting and made a presentation on behalf of CARL. Following the December meeting it was agreed to continue the dialogue between users, rightsholders and government officials: a report of these meetings is expected in the early Fall.

G. Hill advised that nineteen responses to the *Industry Canada Copyright Survey of CARL Libraries* had been received. The information received was important and informative. Some formatting and minor editing was done to reflect CARL's position before the document was sent to Industry Canada in May. The Survey will be distributed to all CARL Directors electronically.

Mr. Hill noted that the current AUCC Model Licence with Access Copyright licence will expire on August 31, 2003. Access Copyright has tabled sixteen topics for discussion. AUCC recognizes that if the licence is changed to include digital rights this will change the nature of the licence: at present it is exclusion based. If digital rights are included the licence will become inclusion based. The tariff is also an issue.

Professor Jean-Marie Tremblay is digitizing social sciences texts and making them available electronically. He has completed about 570 such texts. These are in the public domain in Canada (where the term of copyright protection is the life of the author, plus fifty years) but fall within copyright in e.g. the European Union and the United States (where the term of protection is life plus seventy years). See http://www.uqac.quebec.ca/zone30/Classiques_des_sciences_sociales

Lawyers acting on behalf of the French publisher, *Presses universitaires de France* have requested him to desist. He however has launched a petition stating that he is within his rights according to Canadian law. CARL has been approached for support. Whilst agreeing that the copyright law of the country where the material is 'published' should rule, the Committee felt that this was not a case where international harmonization was desirable (i.e. that this could be presented as an argument to extend the copyright term of protection) and that consequently CARL will decline to be involved in this case.

Paul McCormick provided a summary of changes to the *Copyright Act* included in the legislation for the Library and Archives Canada (C-36).

Section 8.2. This section will allow the Library and Archives of Canada (LAC) to collect a representative sample of documentary material available without restriction on the Internet. It will complement other activities such as the legal deposit of electronic publications.

Section 21. The proposed amendment extends to 2017 the term of copyright protection provided to unpublished works of authors who died between 1929 and 1949. If the previously unpublished work is published before 2017 it will be accorded a further twenty years of copyright protection

from the date of publication. To come into force this section must become law by January 1, 2004; this is why it is included in C-36. There is no substantive connection between it and the rest of the Bill.

Section 30.5. This section is in keeping with existing provisions of the Copyright Act that allow the Library and Archives to fix other intangible items (radio and television broadcasts) and for the preservation of the permanent collection of the Library and Archives of Canada.

1.2 Standing Committee on Effectiveness Measures (L. Copeland) (SD 1.3) and Statistics

L. Copeland advised the 2001-2002 *Statistics* and 2000-2001 *Ratios* publications are currently being completed. Work is continuing on the historical database.

A brief Survey had been distributed for suggested new measures to add to the annual CARL *Annual Statistics Survey*. The responses indicate the priority is to define a framework. Several areas need clarification to the definitions. A sub-Committee has been established to complete this work. Another working group has been struck to review ARL E-Metrics programme and bring recommendations for possible new measures. Both will be complete for the 2004 Survey.

Completed responses to the *Annual Statistical Surveys* are due November 30, 2003.

The ARL LibQual+ Survey has proven a great success. Université Laval and l'Université de Montréal translated the LibQual+ Survey into French. The Committee would like to encourage more Canadian participation.

Maclean's Magazine, contacted CARL in the hopes of adding new questions to their *Survey*. The Committee decided that no new measures would be suggested for this year.

L. Copeland advised that Sylvie Belzile, Université de Sherbrooke, and Marnie Swanson, University of Victoria will be appointed to the Committee, on the recommendation of the Board.

1.3 Government Policies and Legislation Committee (F. Winter) (SD 2.4)

The Committee will conduct a follow-up survey in the Fall to determine reimbursements to individual members received to cover the indirect costs of research.

The Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage will hold hearings on Bill C-36 *An Act to establish the Library and Archives of Canada* on June 5th. T. Mark will undertake with Impact Public Affairs to secure a place at the hearings for CARL, and a Brief will be prepared. The Committee recommended that other stakeholders should also be notified to participate.

The Committee will conduct a survey of CARL members' activities regarding the acquisition, collection and preservation of e-publications of provincial or federal government documents. And will continue support for a new building for the National Library.

The Committee remains concerned about inadequate facilities for the Library and Archives Canada.

1.4 Committee on Scholarly Communication (C. Archer) (SD 2.5)

The new *Create Change* brochure and 2003 *State of Canadian Research Libraries 2003* will be available on the CARL web site in both English and French.

Canada has two representatives on the SPARC Steering Committee—a representative from CARL (C. Archer), and a second representative from the Canadian members of SPARC (C. Presser). The ARL Scholarly Communications Committee [check title] would welcome closer collaboration with SCOM. The Committee felt that CARL should lobby to prevent the mergers of large publishing companies when this was not in the interests of the research library community.

The Committee decided on the need for a new study on the impact of changes in scholarly communication on research activities in Canada. It will include a summary of progress on the recommendations contained in the 1996 Final report of the AUCC-CARL/ABRC Task Force on Academic Libraries and Scholarly Communication *The Changing World of Scholarly Communication: Challenges and Choices for Canada*, an environmental scan, and recommendations. This should form part of CARL's Strategic Directions

1.4.1 Institutional Repositories (IR) Project (JP. Côté)

The project listserv will be expanded to include all interested directors. All IRs at CARL libraries will be included in the Pilot Project.

An important next step will be to demonstrate that the repositories are interoperable and searchable, using one interface. The Committee will assess the feasibility of implementing a harvester in order to accomplish this

A CARL policy for self-archiving and institutional repositories will be developed.

2. Other Strategic Developments

2.1 Canadian National Site Licensing Project (SD 3.2)

2.1.1 Draft Bylaws (D. deBruijn)

Draft bylaws have been circulated to the Steering Committee for approval. Once approved, they will be circulated to all participating institutions for review.

The incorporation must be completed before the end of the year as a consequence of the CFI requirements such as the interuniversity agreements for financing and licensing; and the fact that the University of Ottawa's role as financial agent will expire in December 2003. This leaves the governance of the project open to many concerns e.g. Directors' liability, the role of the Steering Committee, and the fact that there are no provisions for members joining or leaving the project. Allowance must be made for new full and affiliate members to join.

Changing the name to *Research Catalyst Canada* was also discussed. Member institutions will be consulted on this matter.

2.1.2 Research Knowledge Network for Social Sciences and Humanities (RKN) –(D. DeBruijn)

The Research Knowledge Network application was submitted on May 30. The proposal is asking for \$29M in funding from CFI, with a total project base of \$72M. If accepted, provincial funding must be secured within nine months of announcement of the award.

The RKN project has received the status of a CFI 'national project' status, with the participation of sixty-two institutions.

Members felt that time had been lacking to 'socialize' and brief senior administrators on the proposal and that more information would have helped institutions with the process for securing funding.

In most cases funding has been secured at the institutional level; however some members are waiting for funds to be cleared. Concern was expressed because Directors had felt obliged to make requests to senior administrators without full information.

P. Wiens offered the congratulations of all those present on the development of the RKN project; and complimented Directors for the hard work each had done at short notice. This had resulted in the submission of the application on time.

2.1.2.1 Negotiations Resource Team

D. deBruijn advised that the Negotiations Resource Team had met twice during the year to review processes and the performance of vendors, in anticipation of the contract renewal process. The terms of the model licence will not be open for re-negotiation.

Since some vendors will not commit to three-year contracts the Team is asking for 1, 2, and 3-year proposals. The goals of the renewal process are to ensure that vendors continue to provide value for money through establishing continuity, thus avoiding a 'revolving-door' of content; and establishing a consultation process where the termination of licences may be concerned.

The Chair thanked Ms. deBruijn for her presentation.

2.1.3 Discussion of CNSLP Presentation

The CARL Board will request a meeting with the Steering Committee of the CNSLP to discuss the findings of the Evaluation Task Force Report and to develop a CARL vision to help shape the future of the CNSLP.

An in camera discussion was held.

2.2 Research Development Initiative (W. Birdsall)

Dr. Birdsall thanked CARL for its support for the Study. The statistical analysis of the research and development situation in Canada, as well as the literature review to identify factors impacting scholarly communication, are now completed.

An invitation will be sent shortly to recruit volunteers for the consensus panel. Criteria for the selection of panel members have now been developed. The issues for the panel will be drawn from the environmental scan and the statistical review. The panel's selection of issues will be listed on the RDI web site at: <http://www.kdstudy.ca/>

The RDI web site will be launched in conjunction with the CARL 2003 Annual General Meeting. The National Library has kindly provided translation for the web site at no charge. Carleton University's Instructional Innovation unit of its Education Development Centre will work with RDI on technical aspects of the project. The research team is also currently developing a series of Backgrounders which will be available on the website in both English and French.

2.3 Recruitment and Retention Study (E. Ingles)

Mr. Ingles reported the study is well under way. The first major questionnaire will be distributed in the next couple of weeks. Questionnaires will also be distributed to para-professionals and students in library schools. The methodology provides the study with a layered-approach and will provide responses according to the respondent's position.

Owing to the close relationship between academic libraries, archives and museums, the institutional level survey will also be sent to an additional sample of approximately 4,000-5,000 institutions.

The rationale for expanding the survey to para-professionals and students in library schools is twofold. First, it fulfils a government request that the study group expand the survey to include these groups. Second, by being as inclusive as possible, the results of the survey will serve as a very good lobbying tool for the needs of CARL libraries. Questions regarding the study may be directed to the CARL office.

2.4 CARL Strategic Directions 2004-2006

The 2004-2006 Strategic Directions (including budget) will be prepared for discussion and approval at the 2003 Fall General Meeting (FGM). A Working Group will prepare a draft document to present to the Board at its September 2003 meeting.

Possible directions may include: CARL's role in establishing a national framework for digital preservation; the future of Institutional Repositories; CISTI's role in a national storage strategy; implications of the Ontario Infrastructure Initiative; and the role of the research library in scholarly communication.

2.4.1 Information Deficit: Canadian Solutions - CARL Priorities

F. Pannekoek advised he felt the issues of most importance to CARL are the following:

- That an Advisory council for Internet policy be established
- That a coherent program of research for policy and planning be established
- That a national policy be developed for the preservation of digital content

2.5 Synergies Canada (F. Pannekoek)

F. Pannekoek advised the following institutions will participate in the proposal to the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI): Alberta, Athabasca, British Columbia, Calgary, Dalhousie, Malaspina, McGill, Memorial, Montréal, Laval, New Brunswick, Simon Fraser, Toronto, Université du Québec à Montréal, Windsor, York.

Under the CFI guidelines, *Synergies Canada* is designated as a national project. The total cost is \$19.6 million, including a CFI request for \$7.7 million over four years. The project features regional and affiliate centres equipped with a common searching framework.

3. Report on External Activities (SD 1.2):

3.1 Canadian Committee on Cataloguing

W. Maes noted that there was no report from the Committee at this time.

4. Member Reports - Open Discussion

4.1 Library and Archives of Canada (P. McCormick)

P. McCormick provided a short summary of the new legislation Bill C-36, *An Act to establish the Library and Archives of Canada*, noting that the copyright provisions of the Bill had already been addressed (agenda item 7.3)

Mr. McCormick noted that many stakeholders, including CARL, had been involved during the development of the legislation. The merger will position the institution well in the modern information society.

Members stressed that CARL should support the legislation in principle but expressed some concerns eg. Section 8.1.E: LAC should not be involved in the display and interpretation of materials. This is a museums mandate. Also Section 7.F – LAC can *coordinate* the library services of government institutions, but can only *support* the development of the library and archival communities – this terminology should be strengthened. Section 22 was a cause for concern: this extends to 2017 the term of copyright protection provided to unpublished works of authors who died between 1929 and 1949.

Additional concerns cited were: the lack of specific mention of a role for the LAC in digital preservation; and the lack of a statement defining information as a public good and ensuring the public's access to it.

Mr. McCormick stated that there is provision for legal deposit to be extended to electronic publications; that intermittent "harvesting" of the Internet will provide a snapshot of Canadian cultural expression; and that the definition of publication must be expanded to include online publication.

Mr. McCormick advised that the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage is currently reviewing the legislation, and CARL could use this opportunity to voice its concerns.

The Committee remains concerned about inadequate facilities for the Library and Archives Canada.

A section is included to permit the establishment of an equivalent to the Council of Canadian Archives for the benefit of the library community

Mr. McCormick also spoke to the National Library semi-annual report and mentioned some forthcoming events and conferences organized by the Library and Archives Canada

4.2 CISTI (B. Dumouchel)

CISTI is very pleased with the new Secure Desktop Delivery Service that will be available this Fall. It will be demonstrated at the ALA/CLA Conference in Toronto. CISTI has more than 50 agreements in place for its use. However its general use is limited because of copyright law.

CISTI has a new LINK partnership in place as of 1 April 2003, with the University of Alberta. The agreement makes the large journal and monograph collection of the University of Alberta available to CISTI's LINK service clients in Canada. This complements the agreement that CISTI has with the British Library Document Supply Centre.

The Federal Science E-library is receiving strong support from all areas of the research community. The next steps are to undertake a feasibility study and to seek funding.

After reviewing the CISTI Strategic Plan 2000-2005, CISTI undertook a study to develop a framework for measuring the impacts of scientific, technical, and medical (STM) information services and organizations. The scope was expanded through the International Council of Scientific and Technical Information (ICSTI), which sponsored a parallel study involving 11 STM organizations around the world. The results were presented at the May 2003 ICSTI General Assembly in Ottawa. The report will be made available on the CISTI website.

A full update of activities may be obtained from the CISTI Annual Report on the CISTI website.

5. Future Meetings (W. Maes)

5.1 2003 Fall General Meeting (November 7-10, Ottawa)

5.1.1 Local Arrangements and Programme

The Chair advised that the Board recommends holding future meetings on weekdays, where feasible. Members concurred. The CARL Office will advise if the scheduled 2003 Fall General Meeting can be re-scheduled. [Ed. Note: this was not possible].

The programme and local arrangements will be announced

5.2 Annual General Meeting 2004

5.2.1 Date and location to be announced

Members discussed the merits of holding CARL's general meetings in conjunction with other organizations such as CLA, or (in the present instance) with the Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities Federation of Canada. The Board welcomes feedback and will announce the location of the 2004 AGM in due course.

5.3 Fall General Meeting 2004

5.3.1 Date and location to be announced

Members suggested that the Meeting might be held in Holland as a way of exploring issues and developing policies, on digital preservation. The CARL Office will research and report.

6. New Business

6.1 Election announcements - President; Atlantic and Québec Representatives

S. Belzile confirmed the election results as follows:

Vice-President/President-Elect – Mr. John Teskey. The term as Vice-President will run from June 2003 until the 2005 AGM, when Mr. Teskey will assume the Presidency for the two-year term.

Québec: Mme. Diane Polnicky, Université du Québec à Montréal

Atlantic: Mr. Richard Ellis, Memorial University of Newfoundland

Both terms run from June 2003 until the 2005 Annual General Meeting

6.2 Announcement of 2003 CARL Award

The Chair recognized Alan H. MacDonald former University Librarian, Dalhousie University, former Director of Libraries, University of Calgary and most recently Special Assistant to the Vice-President Academic, University of Calgary. The Chair presented Mr. MacDonald with the 2003 CARL award for Distinguished Service to Research Librarianship. He noted that since Mr. MacDonald started his career in Halifax it was appropriate that he be honoured in the same city, as he retired from a long and distinguished career.

6.3 Letter of Recognition: Mr. Peter Adams

On May 23, 2003 CARL recognized Mr. Peter Adams, M.P. and Chair of the Government Caucus on Post Secondary Education and Research, for his ongoing support of post secondary education and in particular, for research libraries. The event took place at Trent University during the annual meeting of the Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL). The Chair presented a mounted letter of recognition to Mr. Adams.

6.4 2008 IFLA World Library and Information Congress.

CARL has sent a letter in support of the bid of Québec City to host the 2008 Congress. C. Bonnelly advised that Québec City and Rome were short-listed. The announcement of the successful bid will be made in August, during the IFLA 2003 conference in Berlin.

The Chair was passed to Joyce Garnett. Ms. Garnett thanked W. Maes for his work and commitment to the association in his role as Chair for the past two years.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:21pm.

For further information on the Association or its activities, please contact Executive Director Timothy Mark at (613) 562-5385 (phone), (613) 562-5195 (fax) or carl@uottawa.ca (Email).

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