

## CAIMS•SCMAI AGM meeting, Tuesday, June 13, 2023, hybrid (in-person/online)

9:00 PT, 10:00 MT, 11:00 CT, 12:00 ET, **13:00 AT**, 13:30 NT

Secretary's report  
Christina Christara

### 1. E-news, Annual Newsletter

In 2022, there have been 11 issues of E-news sent out to the mailing list. In 2023, so far, there have been 5 issues of E-news sent out to the mailing list. E-news sending turns out to be approximately monthly. The E-news articles are manually also posted on the CAIMS•SCMAI website.

The main contents are announcements of CAIMS•SCMAI activities, relevant events organized by Canadian institutions, and some positions postings, the latter with a fee. Please keep sending your announcements to [secretary@caims.ca](mailto:secretary@caims.ca), and your positions postings to [communications-officer@caims.ca](mailto:communications-officer@caims.ca).

The Annual Newsletter was sent out in December 2022.

The Annual Newsletter includes various reports from the Society, the list of Board members, the recent award recipients, the minutes of the last AGM, the latest election results, general news from CAIMS sponsored activities, reports from relevant institutions such as Fields, PIMS and AARMS, and the first announcement of the coming CAIMS•SCMAI Annual Meeting. The Annual Newsletter serves as a **record of the history of CAIMS•SCMAI**, and is stored permanently in the CAIMS•SCMAI website.

### 2. Membership List, Mailing List, E-voting

The membership list of CAIMS•SCMAI is updated regularly (e.g. before the CAIMS•SCMAI elections and before the CAIMS•SCMAI AGM). Membership registration data (both current year and lifetime) is provided by the Treasurer through the Cvent system used for registration, and the membership list is manually updated by the Secretary.

The mailing list of CAIMS•SCMAI is updated regularly, as the membership list is updated. However, past members who did not renew their membership are not taken off the mailing list, unless they request so. Thus, the contents of the mailing list are a superset of those of the membership list.

The voter list is updated annually before the CAIMS•SCMAI elections (or, if the need be, before another voting event), again manually by the Secretary. Only members registered for the current year and lifetime members are eligible for voting. At the time of the elections, the contents of the voters' list are identical to those of the membership list.

### 3. CAIMS•SCMAI Special Meeting

On Wednesday, January 18, 2023, we held a special meeting of members, to change the CAIMS•SCMAI By-Laws in order to include the EDIM committee chair as a member of the Executive with voting rights (EDIM Officer), and thus increase the number of board members to 13. We also appointed Amy Hurford as (interim) EDIM Officer until the 2023 election. Finally, in the same special meeting, we cancelled

the appointment of an accountant and approved doing our financial reporting via a compilation report. Twenty (20) members were present and one participated via proxy. All motions passed, and the updated By-Laws are posted on the CAIMS•SCMAI website.

#### 4. CAIMS•SCMAI Elections

Between early April and early May 2023, we held online elections, through the electionrunner.com platform. Elections ran smoothly; no problems identified. One obsolete e-address found, and one deceased member taken off the list. Three reminders sent after the initial call for votes.

In the 2023 election, 85 of the 145 eligible voted: 59%

For comparison,

in 2022, 92 of the 147 eligible voted: 62%

in 2021, 78 of the 141 eligible voted: 55%

Of the 145 eligible, 26 are regular members, the other 119 are lifetime (or retired lifetime).

year	eligible	regular+lifetime	voted	%
2023	145	26 + 119	85	59 %
2022	147	31 + 116	92	62 %
2021	141	30 + 111	78	55 %

This year we held elections for

- President-Elect (2-year rolling)
- Secretary (3-year)
- EDIM Officer (3-year)
- Two 3-year Member-at-Large positions on the Board of Directors

There were two nominations for the President-Elect position:

Ronald D. Haynes, Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Theodore Kolokolnikov, Dalhousie University.

The candidate with the most votes was Ronald D. Haynes. We thank Theodore Kolokolnikov for standing, and for his past contributions to CAIMS. We are looking forward to potential collaboration.

There was one nomination for the Secretary position: Christina Christara, University of Toronto, and Christina Christara was elected by acclamation.

There was one nomination for the EDIM Officer position: Amy Hurford, Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Amy Hurford was elected by acclamation.

There were two nominations for the two Member-at-Large positions on the Board of Directors:

Ion Bica, MacEwan University, and Alexey Shevyakov, University of Saskatchewan.

Ion Bica and Alexey Shevyakov were elected by acclamation.

We thank all candidates for running and all the members who contributed their votes.

MOTION: Ratify the election of Ronald D. Haynes as President-Elect 2023-2025

MOTION: Ratify the election of Christina Christara as Secretary 2023-2026

MOTION: Ratify the election of Amy Hurford as EDIM Officer 2023-2026

MOTION: Ratify the election of Ion Bica as Board Member-at-Large 2023-2026

MOTION: Ratify the election of Alexey Shevyakov as Board Member-at-Large 2023-2026

## **5. AGM**

The Notice of Meeting was sent out May 14. Advance material posted on

<https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~ccc/AGM2023>

## **6. Minutes**

In the period June 2022 to May 2023, there have been 8 Executive Office meetings, 3 Board meetings and 1 AGM, for which the Secretary took down minutes.

## **7. Comments**

After some interruptions (partly due to COVID), CAIMS•SCMAI is back to schedule.

We can do better in membership and participation in elections!