Summary of Decisions Elections Committee Meeting

September 21, 2006 Noon National Office

Present: Michael Dewing, David Aubry, Larry Deters (teleconference),

Hélène Gagnon, Nick Giannakoulis, Zhiyong Hong, Salma Jaroudi, Janson LaBond, Donna Martin (Staff) and Anita Bangiricenge (Secretary).

Apologies: Jason Jacques, Ross Holden, Robert Palinic, Seth Sazant.

The Elections Committee reviewed a legal opinion on two biographies. The legal opinion mentioned that the Elections Committee should verify the accuracy of certain elements in the biographies and if statements are found to be false they should be removed.

A discussion ensued around the problems involved in verifying the accuracy of statements made by candidates.

It was moved by M. Dewing, seconded by Z. Hong, in light of the above, that a legal disclaimer be put on the cover page of the Elections Committee documents being mailed to the membership and on the website stating:

The Elections Committee shall not be held responsible for any electronic communications, candidates' websites or the accuracy of information in candidates' documents. The Elections Committee shall not be liable for any matters arising from documents or electronic communications by candidates.

Carried with one abstention.

Review of Candidates' biographies

It was moved by M. Dewing, seconded by H. Gagnon, that C. Therrien be notified to delete two passages of text referred to in the legal opinion. **Carried unanimously.**

It was moved by M. Dewing, seconded by N. Giannakoulis, notwithstanding an earlier decision to allow candidates' to reformat their biographies, that biographies be reproduced and posted as submitted. **Carried unanimously.**

It was moved by J. LaBond, seconded by N. Giannakoulis, that the first two pages of text submitted by C. Lakaski be posted on the Association's website. **Carried unanimously.**

It was moved by J. LaBond, seconded by H. Gagnon, that L. Perrin's biography be posted as submitted. **Carried unanimously.**

Guidelines on Election Procedures for Candidates

It was agreed that this document be treated as a work in progress and that the Elections Committee meet after the current election is over to review the document and to prepare a report on problems arising from the By-Laws.

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It was noted that D. Aubry had been present at the meeting.

It was moved by M. Dewing, seconded by J. LaBond, that the summary be approved, as amended. **Carried unanimously.**

Requests from candidates

G. Dussault

It was moved by Z. Hong, seconded by D. Aubry, that G. Dussault's request to review his biography prior to being sent for translation be denied. **Carried unanimously.**

D. Brackley

The chair will advise the candidate that the matter is being reviewed.

Next meeting

Call of the Chair.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.