



**Association Nationale des Etudiants en Actuariat
Actuarial Students' National Association**

**MINUTES
ANÉA/ASNA**

Meeting of April 8th, 2004

(Montréal, Toronto, Calgary, Winnipeg and Vancouver at Mercer)

Delegates present:	Mélanie Nadeau Roy	Natalie Ho
	Mathieu Boivin	Jackie Szeto
	Alix Daigle	Rianto Hartono
	Ian Létourneau	Shehreen Zaman
	Élisabeth Picard-Courtois	Wendy Yu
	Myriam Moisan	Xiao-Bo Li
	Cliff Fortune	Denise Cheung
	Céline Ng Tong	Carl Lussier
	Evelyne Giguère	Donna Chiu
	Edith Brisson	Jenny Jin
	Christine Loureiro Costa	Andrew Balo
	Meinna Gwet	Peter Au
	Lori-Anne Douville	Rowena Lai
	Heidi Garand	Scott Lough
	Mélissa DeMontigny	Nick Blitterswyk
	Mathieu La Grenade	Nicole Plamondon
	Réal Gagné	Greg Bacon
	Luc Grégoire	Ben Cairney
	Ziad Semaan	Mark Shellborn
	Francis-Olivier Gravel	Ryan Wall
	Luc Desgroseillers	Al Hornung
	Mélanie Robitaille	Jason-Tong Shen
	Guillaume Chandonnet Perron	Sheldon Liu
	Michaël St-Onge Marceau	Yacine Bara
	Dominic Rioux	Shelley Hymers
	Mandy Lui	Giang Nguyen
	Ryaz Mohamed	Lauren Reeves
	Bayan Suleman	Richard Lam
	Ayman Alvi	Robbie Wu
	Christina Lee	

Delegates absent : Jonathan Fournier, Chongmei Cai, Mélinda Bastien, Sébastien Dubois,
Tamara Hurtado, Jennifer Jessop, Jessica Long, Christie Lye

1. Opening of the Meeting

Céline Ng Tong opened the meeting at 3:25 (Eastern time) in the Montreal Mercer office.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted by everyone.

3. Adoption of the agenda

Celine Ng Tong proposed a change to the agenda and it was accepted by everyone. The vote will happen before the publicity committee's summary of the year because Winnipeg has to leave.

4. Nomination of the secretary

Mélanie Nadeau Roy is nominated as the secretary and seconded by everyone.

5. Committee updates

Convention (University of Toronto)

- The committee believes that the convention was a real success. They are really happy with the results and with the great participation of the students.
- They suggest having a real ticket to give to the students for next year because it will help have more control.
- They mention that the companies didn't have enough space for their kiosks during the career fair.

Finance (University of Waterloo)

- Denise Cheung says that she received answers from the companies very late.
- Mandy Lui thinks there is a communication problem between the convention committees and the companies (the convention committees are : convention, finance and publicity). She suggests that the convention committee gives a package to each company to present the different committees they will relate to during the process.
- Évelyne Giguère suggests creating a common email for the 3 convention committees.
- Ian Létourneau suggests creating a new relations committee but the idea was refused.
- Élisabeth Picard suggests that only one person per committee answer emails from companies.
- Édith Brisson suggests placing a billboard on the ASNA website accessible to each delegate.
- Wendy Yu suggests a pamphlet to give the companies in October to present the next convention.
- Wendy Yu suggests that the finance committee be given copies of the magazine to distribute to the companies.
- The finance committee believes that it is difficult to recruit new companies during the year and they think that it should be the responsibility of the expansion committee.
- Evelyne Giguere suggests modifying the expansion and international committees to have instead a committee to recruit students from new universities and another company to recruit new companies to sponsor the convention. The idea was accepted by everyone.

6. Election of Convention 2005 Host University

Two universities are interested in hosting next year convention. They each have two minutes to convince everyone.

Calgary :

- Calgary believes that they will have a record number of participants from Western Canada.
- The cost of transportation will be greater for students in Eastern Canada but less for the hotel and food.
- They have obtained an estimated cost of 280\$ per person for the transportation from WestJet.

- They think that hosting the convention for the first time in the West will help ASNA's expansion.
- They won't have any problems attracting companies because there are already a lot of large companies located in Calgary.
- The convention will open the door to new American companies because of the location.
- They think that the western culture, the young city and the warmth of the people will be interesting to share with everybody.

UQAM :

- They will be able to welcome 350 people.
- The cost of the convention will be much less than the last one in Toronto.
- They want to do a karaoke night.
- There are already many large companies located in Quebec.

The University of Calgary won the vote. They will host the 2005 edition of the ASNA convention.

7.Committee updates (continued)

Publicity (University of Western Ontario)

- Absent

Magazine(UQAM)

- They have found some articles.
- The magazine should be ready by October 2004.

Website (Université Laval)

- Heidi Garand mentioned that the website is going very well and there are approximately 40 visitors per day.
- Céline Ng Tong mentioned that she received approximately 20 emails per week via her president email.
- It was mentioned that the website should have more visibility on search engines and that the old ASNA websites should be removed from the internet.
- It was also mentioned that ASNA website address should be clearly written somewhere in the sponsorship package given to the companies.

CAS/YAC (University of Manitoba)

- Absent

Expansion (Concordia University)

- They succeeded in recruiting the University of Calgary.
- They have contacts in Europe, Boston and Alberta to pass on to the next committee.

International (Simon Fraser University)

- They tried really hard to recruit new people without success. They also have contacts to pass on to the next committee.

Translation (Université de Montréal)

- Nothing to add.

8. Treasurer's Financial Report (Denise Cheung – Waterloo)

- Sponsors have provided 35 000\$ for the 2004 convention.
- ASNA has 14 000\$ in bank.

9. 2004-2005 Committee Choices

- Finance committee : University of Toronto
- Publicity committee: University of Manitoba
- Student expansion committee : Université Laval
- Employers expansion committee: Simon Fraser University
- Magazine committee : University of Waterloo
- CAS/YAC committee : UQAM
- Website committee : University of Western Ontario
- Employer contact document committee: Concordia University

10. 2004-2005 Election of Executive Committee and Future Actuary Representative

- President : Heidi Garand
- VP Ontario : Nathalie Ho
- VP Quebec : Édith Brisson
- VP Western : Scott Lough
- Treasurer : Jackie Szeto
- Secretary : Carl Lussier
- Future Actuary : Donna Chiu

11. Closing of the meeting

The meeting was closed by Celine Ng Tong, seconded by all, at 5:05 Eastern time.