

Annual Report, Atlantic Division of the Canadian Association of Geographers (ACAG) - 16 April 2017

The 27th ACAG Annual Meeting (ACAG-2016) was held on 4-6 November 2016 at Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB. The annual meeting had an attendance of 46. In addition to the regular ACAG conference, we hosted a geography education workshop hosted by Michael Fox, Stuart Semple and John Trites. In total, the annual meeting had 18 presentations and 2 posters. The meeting started with a social Friday evening at Ducky's Pub. On Saturday, we had the full conference program and workshop, followed by the ACAG AGM. At the AGM, the following CAG members were elected to positions:

- Peter Bush (NS DNR), President
- Guy Vincent (UMoncton), Secretary-Treasurer
- Matt Novak (SMU), Member at Larger
- Zoe Armstrong (MUN), Student Member
- Logan Horrocks (SMU), Student Member

The ACAG thanked out-going members Norm Catto, President and Jamie Spinney, Member at Large, for their dedicated service. David Leiske will continue to serve as Member at Large.

Student presentations were judged by faculty, and the winners and runners up announced during the AGM:

- 1st Place oral student award: Caity Brawn (MTA)
- 2nd Place oral student award: Paul MacKeigan (MTA)
- 1st Place poster student award: Zoe Armstrong (MUN)
- 2nd place poster student award: Tyler Searls (Dal).

ACAG also made a special presentation at the AGM to Moncton high school student James Cogswell for representing New Brunswick in the Canadian Geography competition.

On Sunday morning, a field trip was led by Jeff Ollerhead to a Marsh Restoration site at Aulac, NB.

Thanks to all at Mount Allison University who made this meeting successful, in particular to David Lieske, other faculty volunteers, student volunteers and fieldtrip organizers.

The ACAG is in good financial shape, and the continuing CAG support grant for student travel to our meetings is much appreciated.

The 28th ACAG Annual Meeting and Conference will be in the fall of 2017 at Saint Mary's University, Halifax, NS.

For updates on our division, our constitution and our next annual meeting, check: <http://community.smu.ca/acag/>.

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