

Minutes from CATG - Annual General Meeting on September 29, 2024

Procès-verbal de l'Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACPA – 29 septembre 2024

Attendance:

CATG Board:	Meaghan Hepburn, Michel Mallet, Kristin Lovrien-Meuwese, Isolde Winter, James Steele
BCCTG:	Anke Sabo
SATG:	James Funk
MTG:	Karin James, Kristin Lovrien-Meuwese
OATG:	Marlo Burks, Ruth Köller-Buchweitz, Eugen Kriksciunas, Diego Pardo, James Steele, Nicola Townend
APAQ:	Andrea Frings, Inken Kaumann
ACTG:	Anette Guse, Daniela Roth
GSC/ÉAC:	Meaghan Hepburn, Michel Mallet
KVDS:	Beate Gundert, Isolde Winter

- 1. Call to Order:** 1:14 pm
- 2. Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by James Funk, seconded by Andrea Frings.
- 3. Adoption of Minutes from 2023:**
 - Moved by James Funk, seconded by Andrea Frings.
- 4. Business Arising.** None
- 5. Provincial Reports presented in the following order** (see reports following)
 - GSC/ÉAC - Michel Mallet
 - KVDS - Isolde Winter

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6. MTG - Karin James
7. SATG - James Funk
8. BCCTG - Anke Sabo
9. CATG President's Report - Meaghan Hepburn
10. CATG Financial Report - Isolde Winter

Nicola Townsend moved to accept all reports as presented; Inken Kaumann seconded.

7. New Business:

1. Position of President (2024-26): Isolde Winter moved for Kristin Lovrien-Meuwese for the role. Karin James moved to close nominations, Anette Guse seconded. Acclaimed.
2. Position of Vice President (2024-26): Nicola moved for Sebastian Döderlein for the role. Michel Mallet moved to close nominations, Eugen Kriksciunas seconded. Acclaimed.

8. Planning and Preparation CATG 2025

Aiming to be inclusive of all areas in the country. Toronto is not really feasible re: astronomical hotel costs. The goal is to aim for Winnipeg to match with MTG. Financial costs are a concern and having a local committee is key.

Michel Mallet: with no funding for provincial Verbände, how will they stay afloat?

Meaghan Hepburn: this is a continued source of challenge. Nicola; indeed – one feeds the other; they do not act in isolation.

Michel Mallet: Alternating online and in person would set a challenging precedent. There was extensive agreement for the conference to need to remain in person.

Nicola Townend: ZfA was absent this year. Is there a concern? Meaghan: Financial challenges are in play. Group: their presence is essential!

Group discussion around theme: Again for 2025, there should a theme that supports and engages preK-16 educators. Feedback was positive for dedicated time for small group discussions around age/proficiency level from this year's event.

Ensuring that there is time set aside for networking around problem solving, best practices, support for Verbände would be helpful, outside of social time, whenever possible.

Michel Mallet: GSC/ÉAC could/should be better present and engaged.

8. AOB

Ruth: CASLT/ACPLS 2025 – Goethe Books would suggest CASLT reaching out to Goethe-Institut re: funding delegates for that event.

Anette: Could CATG act as a leader for other organizations and teacher groups when it comes to PD/learning/conferences? Discussion ensued.

Daniela: Making connections with the other organizations would indeed be helpful. Service learning (thus building connections with communities) may help expand the presence of CATG and German in additional areas.

Alberta ATG: Still in arrears. No operating Vorstand yet. CATG Vorstand has reached out to multiple contacts over the last two years with no success. Next step: checking in with the Alberta Teachers' Association to see if they can assist, as the AATG is registered with them as a staff group.

Eugen Krikscriunas moved to adjourn, Andrea Frings seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:21 pm.