



**A G E N D A**  
**Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle**  
**Thursday, October 23, 2014 / Jeudi le 23 octobre 2014**  
**17:00 a 18:15**  
**Auberge du Vieux-Port**  
**Salle/Room REMPARTS**

**FINAL MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda (Dr. Brian Gilfix opens the meeting).**  
There are 31 members present and 2 residents/trainees present. There are enough members for quorum.
- 2. Adoption of Minutes**
  - 2.1.** Approval of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting at Wednesday, October 23, 2013  
We circulated a single printout. Moved by a member and seconded by a member.
  - 2.2.** Presentation of meeting agenda by Brian Gilfix and general introduction

The agenda was presented at the meeting. Items on the agenda were:

1. Report of the President
2. Report of the Treasurer
3. Discussion of the Motion of the AMBQ (Dr. Dube)
4. Motion supporting the Specialty Committee

**Reports**

**3.1. President Report (Dr Brian Gilfix)**

Dr. Gilfix brought the meeting to order. He thanked the outgoing executive for their efforts on behalf on the CAMB. He presented a brief overview of the issues facing the CAMB. Specific details and an in-depth discussion of these subjects will take place at the appropriate points in the meeting.

**3.2. Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Dr. Amari)**

Explanations about problems with documents necessary to present the report incurred shortly before the AGM. Presentation of the financial situation of the CAMB at the year ending December 31, 2013. Final documents will be circulated shortly. Following motions are

**3.2.1 MOTION BY TREASURER:** I move that the unaudited statement of the Canadian Association of Medical Biochemists for the year ended December 31, 2013 be approved.  
Moved by Dr David Blank, Seconded by DrPierre Doville. Unanimously approved.

**3.2.2 MOTION BY THE TREASURER:** I hereby move that BDO Canada LLP, Chartered Accountants be appointed for Review Engagement of the Canadian Association of Medical Biochemists for the year ending December 31, 2014.  
Moved by Dr Andrew Don Wauchope Seconded by DrJohn Westerlund. Unanimously approved.

**3.2.3 MOTION BY THE TREASURER** I move that the budget for the year ending December 31, 2015 be approved (either as submitted or as amended).  
Proposed by a CAMB member and seconded by a CAMB member.

**3.2.4 MOTION BY THE TREASURER** I move that the financial year be changed from “January 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup>” to “July 1 to June 30<sup>th</sup>” effective this past June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.  
Moved by Dr Jean Dubé, Seconded by Dr Nada Kanj. Unanimously approved  
Business arising from this: increase in financial review cost since two will be needed during one year and that will happen only once

### **3.3. Administrative changes (Dr Andrew Don Wauchope)**

#### **3.3.1 – New By-laws**

Dr Don Wauchope reviews the by-laws changes that the AGM needs to vote. Small changes proposed since last year following lawyer’s advice are presented to the AGM. Misunderstanding that prevented voting new by-laws last year are clarified. See attached by-laws.

Motion to approve the new by-laws for the CAMB  
Murray Potter propose and seconded by a CAMB member. Unanimously approved.

#### **3.3.2 – Articles of continuance under Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFP Act) Attached documents for the special resolution and Articles of continuance.**

Dr Don Wauchope explains the need to approve a special resolution to allow CAMB to be continued under the CNCA.  
Motion to approve the special resolution.  
Moved by Joël Girouard, seconded by Yves Giguère. Unanimously approved.

### **3.4. Directors positions (Dr Brian Gilfix)**

Following adoption of new by-laws, AGM votes for directors and then directors elect chair. There is a rotation in the terms involved to facilitate continuity.

Motion to elect for one year term, Andre Mattman, Bassam Nassar and David Cole.  
Moved by Pierre Douville, seconded by Yves Giguère. Unanimously approved.

Motion to elect for two year term, Pierre Douville, Karim Mourabit Amari and Andrew Don Wauchope.

Moved by Andre Mattman, seconded by Yves Giguère. Unanimously approved.

Motion to elect for three year term, Alexis Baass, Richard Cleeve and Brian Gilfix  
Moved by David Blank, seconded by Anne Gangloff. Unanimously approved.

#### Directors List.

Dr. Brian Gilfix, President  
Dr. Pierre Douville, Vice-President  
Dr. Andrew Don-Wauchope, Past President  
Dr. Karim Amari, Secretary-Treasurer  
Dr. Bassam Nassar, Councillor  
Dr. Andre Mattman, Councillor  
Dr. David Cole, Councillor  
Dr. Richard Cleve, Councillor  
Dr. Alexis, Baass, Councillor

### **3.5. CALM (Dr Douville / Dr Don Wauchope / Dr Gilfix )**

This groups exists to represent laboratory medicine regarding Canadian government and policy makers. Specialists from different disciplines in laboratory medicine are included in this committee. Dr Pierre Douville will replace Dr MacNamara in this group. Dr Andrew Don Wauchope is the current chair of CALM.

Roles of the CALM include advising the Choosing Wisely campaign with a focus on diagnostic tests. Awareness of laboratory medicine and quality assurance initiatives will be promoted. Choosing Wisely Canada website development is expected.

### **3.6. Individual working as Medical Biochemist without RCSPC recognition in New Brunswick (Dr Gilfix)**

Dr Gilfix explains the situation and will write a letter to the relevant New Brunswick authority to express the viewpoint of th CAMB concerning this particular problematic situation. The impact to expect from this is not clear but it is important to show concern. The person is not a certified Medical Biochemist in Canada and despite this, he is allowed to practice as such under Ne-Brunswick authority.

### **3.7. Medical Biochemistry's future (Discussion with presentation by Dr Jean Dubé)**

Dr Jean Dubé presents the recent developments and discussions from the AMBQ December 2013 meeting, and Royal College meeting from October 22 2014. Based on a

recent focused review by the Royal College concerning Medical Biochemistry, an upcoming review in 2016 and an in depth review in 2019, the viability of the specialty is perceived to be at risk. While a name change for the specialty was considered by the AMBQ and voted for unanimously previously, Dr Douville learned that the General Pathology asked for a name change to Anatomical Pathology and Clinical Pathology. This prevents Medical Biochemistry from directly changing its name to Clinical pathology”.

However, during the Royal College meeting Speciality Committee meeting the General Pathology committee asked to speak to the MB committee and there is interest in merging both specialties, defining some common core training and common diploma that would encompass both specialties as currently known. A long discussion ensues among members off the CAMB about the how, if and when. Briefly, Dr Dubé explains that there is a need to expedite the w and that it be supported by both major associations of Medical Biochemistry in Canada.

Motion proposed by Jean Dube. Seconded by a CAMB member. Motion passed unanimously.

“ It is proposed that the members of the CAMB support the SCMB

in its discussions with SCGP aiming at a new program that could

include a core with general pathology or anatomical and clinical pathology.”

Proposed by Anne Gangloff, seconded by David Blank. Unanimously approved, no vote to the contrary. No abstention.

### **3.8. Next year CAMB/AMBQ meeting (Dr Lehouiller and Dr Nassar)**

Discussion about next meeting. It is expected to be in Québec City, November 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. This planning makes our meeting being very close to the JFI which is also in Québec City next year.

Meeting closed by Dr Brian Gilfix at 18:15.