



The Forty-Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Members
Canadian Academic Accounting Association
Friday, June 14, 2024 17:00 p.m. Atlantic Daylight Time

In-person: Halifax Marriott Harbourfront, Halifax, Nova Scotia

1. Call to Order and Administrative Announcements

The meeting was called to order and members were welcomed at 17:00 p.m. Atlantic Daylight Time by Samir Trabelsi, President.

2. Meeting Notice and Declaration of Quorum

It was declared that the notice of meeting was duly mailed (emailed) to all members and that quorum was achieved requiring at least 10 members present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved by consent.

4. Minutes of the Association's 47th Annual General Meeting (2023) and of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Corporation held via Zoom on the 9th of January 2024
Approved by consent (three abstain).

5. Outgoing President's Report – Samir Trabelsi

Samir was humbled and honoured to have served the CAAA as Board Chair for the 2023-2024 term. He noted the CAAA's undertaking of several initiatives over the past year. Samir expressed his gratitude and thanks to the CAAA Executive Director, Carina Hackett and CAAA operations team - Judy, Louise, and Sadie. Samir also noted the CAAA Thought Leaders and Francophone activities and that the town hall webinars held to discuss these initiatives were a great success.

Key Board Initiative - A key Board initiative this past year was the CAAA board restructuring where work continues to be done through consultation with our membership and the accounting profession. Most important initiative that the CAAA ushered in was the rebranding of the CAAA. A Task Force was organized and operationalized by Karim Jamal, Efrim Boritz, Len Brooks, and Rebecca Villmann. The task force met and held discussions with several accounting practitioners and continues to engage with many diverse groups. Findings from consultations indicated that while the purpose and work of the CAAA was unfamiliar with practitioners, there is a keen interest to engage further.

A new name was suggested by Mark Anderson for consideration – the *Canadian Association for Advancement of Accounting*. Further work continues with this initiative to develop the brand and determine the value proposition for members. Town Hall meetings were held but we need more consultation with members to move forward with the name change. Samir opened the floor for input/discussion. Circulation of ideas is planned in the upcoming year. This rebranding acknowledges the increased need of academics to connect with the profession in a more meaningful and relevant manner; revenue streams are secondary.

New committees – Five new committees were created this past year and included 1) Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB), 2) Audit Risk Management, 3) Publication and Research, 4) Teaching & Learning Events, 5) Partnership and Membership Committee. These five new committees will work alongside the Executive Committee and the Nominating Committee.

Samir noted the importance of encouraging our new generation of CAAA members - PhD students and junior faculty and to nurture these next CAAA thought leaders and journal editors.

6. Incoming President's Report – Mark Anderson

Mark thanked Samir for opening the discussion of the proposed name of the CAAA and noted that the way in which we advance accounting in a dramatically changing world as seen in our research, may act in a way of protecting the longevity of the CAAA, evolve accounting education where people and students matter, where preparing students for the way the work and profession is changing is critical. We should be concerned about connecting with each other to engage in initiatives that fuse the profession and CAAA moving forward.

7. Executive Director (ED) Report – Carina Hackett

Carina thanked everyone for their attendance and CPA Canada's sponsorship. She informed the membership of next year's conference at Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) and the conference organizing Chairs, Oliver Okafor and Claire Deng. Carina invited the membership to get involved by suggesting ideas for future opportunities and events. Carina looks forward to serving as the CAAA ED in the 2024-2025 year ahead.

8. Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and the Auditor's report

Ali Ahmed, the treasurer of the CAAA, discussed two major achievements during his fifth, and final year. Firstly, the organization is in a good financial position. Secondly, we received a clean audit opinion for this year. He noted there is a modest surplus of revenue as the change in subscription fee accounting method was adopted. Ali acknowledged our new auditor this year - Graham Scott Enns - and with the organization in good financial health encouraged good ideas to be brought forward.

MOTION: It was moved by Elizabeth Demers and seconded by Michel Magnan that the Membership accept the CAAA Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2023 as prepared by the CAAA and audited by Graham Scott Enns LLP and presented by the CAAA Board of Directors.

Motion Carried

9. Appointment of Public Accountant

MOTION: It was moved by Kate Bewley and seconded by Vasiliki Athanasakou that the Membership approve the appointment Graham Scott Enns LLP as the public accountant of the Corporation for the ensuing year and authorize the directors to fix the remuneration of the public accountant.

Motion Carried

10. Reports of Committee Chairpersons and Journal Editors

The following reports were received by the members:

- a. Education
- b. Research
- c. Membership
- d. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging
- e. *Contemporary Accounting Research*
- f. *Accounting Perspectives*
- g. Nominating
- h. Conferences
- i. Finance

MOTION: It was moved by Oliver Okafor and seconded by Duane Kennedy that the

Membership accept the Committee reports as presented.

Motion Carried

11. Election of Directors

The Nominating Committee has recommended the following individuals to be nominated:

CAAA Board of Director and Officer Positions beginning June 14, 2024

Position	Term	Candidate
President Elect	Year 1 of 3 (Presidential ladder : 2024-2027)	Kim Trottier (HEC)
Secretary of the Board	Year 3 of 3 (2022-2025). Internal transfer from Member at Large	Erin Egeland (North Island College)
Treasurer	Year 1 of 3 (2024-2027)	Owais Khalid (Matrix Inc., CFO)
Membership Committee Chair	Year 1 of 3 (2 nd 3-year mandate: 2024-2027)	Valerie Warren (Kwantlen Polytechnic University)
Member at Large	Year 1 of 3 (2024-2027)	Robert Andrews (Athabasca University)
Member at Large	Year 1 of 3 (2024-2027)	Charles Cho (York University)
Canadian Accounting Hall of Fame Director and Member at Large	Year 1 of 3 (2024-2027)	Ron Salole (Retired, CPA Canada)
2026 Annual Conference Co- Chair	Year 1 of 2 (2024-2026)	Rong Zhao (University of Calgary)
Member at Large	Year 1 of 3 (2024-2027)	Rosemary McGuire (CPA Canada)

*Pursuant to section 5.04 of the CAAA's by-laws relating to eligibility for partial terms of office

Committee Chair (Non-Board) Positions beginning June 2024

Committee	Term	Chair
Haim Falk Award for Distinguished Contribution to Accounting Thought	1 year (Extension)	Steve Salterio (Queen's University)
L.S. Rosen Outstanding Educator Award	1 year	Alessandro Ghio (Université Laval)
George Baxter Award for Outstanding Contributions to CAAA	1 year	Susan McCracken (McMaster University)
Howard Teall Award for Innovation in Accounting Education	1 year	Eloisa Perez (MacEwan University)
2026 Annual Conference Co-Chair (Non-board)	Year 1 of 2 (2024-2026)	Ke Wang (University of Alberta)

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CAAA Board of Director and Officer Positions – Continuing Members

Position	Term	Incumbent
President	Year 2 of 3 (Presidential ladder: 2023-2026)	Mark Anderson (University of Calgary)
Past-President	Year 3 of 3 (Presidential ladder: 2022–2025)	Samir Trabelsi (Brock University)
Education Committee Chair	Year 2 of 3 (2023-2026)	Sonia Dhaliwal (University of Guelph)
Research Committee Chair	Year 2 of 3 (2023-2026)	Liz Demers (University of Waterloo)
Member at Large	Year 2 of 3 (2023-2026)	Anna Czegledi (Conestoga College)
<i>CAR</i> Editor in Chief	Year 2 of 3 (2023-01-01 to 2025-12-31)	Partha Mohanram (University of Toronto)
<i>AP</i> Editor in Chief	Year 2 of 3 (2023-06-01 to 2026-05-31)	Adam Presslee (University of Waterloo)
2025 Annual Conference Co-Chair	Year 2 of 2 (2023-2025)	Oliver Okafor (Toronto Metropolitan University)

MOTION: It was moved by Claire Deng and seconded by Nathalie Angelé-Halgand that the membership approves the slate of directors for the 2024 -2027 CAAA Board of Directors as recommended by the Nominating Committee.

Motion Carried

12. Membership Fees Review

Motion: It was moved by Nathalie Angelé-Halgand and seconded by Duane Kennedy that the membership approve the recommendation of the CAAA Board of Directors to implement the proposed membership discounts and fees for the 2025 renewal.

Motion Carried

13. Other business – none brought forward.

None brought forward.

14. Adjournment

It was moved by Oliver Okafor and seconded by Mark Anderson that the meeting be adjourned.