# Editors' Association of Canada/Association canadienne des réviseurs Report on National Executive Council Meeting September 13–14, 2008, Toronto

The national executive council met in Toronto on Saturday, September 13, and Sunday, September 14.

#### New Executive Director

When it was announced at the meeting, everyone was pleased to learn that Carolyn Burke had agreed to stay on as our executive director on a permanent contract. Carolyn stepped in as the association's interim executive director in July to head up the national office and oversee the association's finances and operations.

## Finances

The thrust for the remainder of the year, and into the new year, is on income/revenue production. We will continue to use the services of our new bookkeeper, JetStream Administration, particularly for long-view overhaul of office systems and procedures. The work JetStream has done to date has much improved our understanding of where we stand financially. The association continues to be behind with transfer payments to the branches, but at least one back payment has been made and another may be possible before the end of the year.

## Newsletter

As a cost cutting measure, *Active Voice* will be produced three times in 2009 (Dec/Jan, Apr/May, and Sep/Oct), instead of four times annually. The national executive will review this decision at the 2009 budget meeting.

## Website

The new Online Directory of Editors launched successfully in September. Using the website for more revenue production was discussed.

## Standards

The new Professional Editing Standards will be launched in June 2009 and come into effect in December 2009. The work of the standards committee was applauded.

#### Policy discussions

Lively discussions about email voting continued. The executive also decided to work on developing an association Code of Ethics.

## 30th Anniversary

Plans are moving ahead for the 30th anniversary of EAC, which will be celebrated at the 2009 conference in Toronto. A working group comprising past presidents and representatives from each branch will be struck.

#### Membership drive—2,008 in 2008

EAC is moving towards online membership renewal to facilitate the membership drive. Several ideas were discussed for increasing membership, including the proposal of an each-one-bring-one goal for the branches.

Minutes of council meetings are posted in the Members Only area of the website once they have been approved (at the subsequent council meeting). The next council meeting will take place in Toronto on November 29 and 30, 2008. As usual, the meeting is open to any voting member in good standing who wishes to attend.