November 27, 2002,12:15p.m.

Present: Ruiling Guo, President Michelle Atkin, Vice-President Edward Zitko, Treasurer/Secretary

Introduction of Executive: The President welcomed everyone to the first general meeting, and briefly introduced the executive council/founding members. The activities to be organized for the year 2002/03 by the chapter was announced including the career fair, bus trip to Ottawa. Two positions were announced for election, VP (President-elect) and External liaison for 2003/04.

Guest Speaker: Pat Riva, President CLA Montreal

Pat Riva discussed the CLA Montreal chapter, planned activities for her members and the desire for liaison between her chapter and the McGill student chapter. Topics included upcoming events such as workshops, and the social events. Pat discussed benefits of membership to the CLA including networking with colleagues and student membership.

Election of 2002/03 External Liaison: The President of the student chapter thanked Pat and introduced the current VP. She briefly talked of CLA student membership benefits including meeting potential employers, the career fair, the opportunity of subsidized travel to the 2003 CLA/ALA meeting in Toronto through McGill GSLIS, and the current duties and positions available for election, of the VP and the External liaison.

The VP called for candidates for the position of liaison. Two candidates spoke briefly of their background and positions. A ballot vote was taken. Shannon Hodge won election as 2003/04 External Liaison.

Election of Vice President (2003/04 President): The Vice President called for candidates for the position of Vice President (President-elect). One candidate spoke of her background and position for the chapter. A motion was called by the VP for acclamation and was accepted by members. Bonnie Goodman was acclaimed and elected as Vice President, and 2003/04 President.

Presentation of gifts to elected VP (President-elect) and External Liaison: The President thanked all candidates for their interest in the positions and congratulated the newly elected members. On behalf of the Canadian Library Association, the President presented both members with gifts.

Draw for free 2003 CLA Student membership: The President drew from a box of names of members attending the general meeting and awarded Guang Fa Zhou the 2003 CLA (\$50) student membership gift certificate. The President thanked the CLA for the generous gifts and support in helping organize the student chapter.

Next meeting: The President briefly outlined the activities for the upcoming term, including the invitation by the chapter to the President and Director of CLA to speak to the chapter in January 2003. The President asked members to leave their names for notification of future activities, called for an executive meeting in one week and a general meeting to be held monthly. The President again thanked the members for attending the first general meeting and adjourned at 12:45 p.m.