

American Scientific Glassblower Society Canadian-Section-Canadienne

Subject: June 2006 BOD Report of the ASGS Canadian Section,

The Canadian Section held a Section Meeting on Saturday, December 3rd, 2005 at the impressive new facilities of Pegasus Industrial Specialties in Cambridge, Ontario. The section meeting was primarily concerned with Symposium planning. As the BOD and the Canadian section understand, Canada will not host the 2007 Symposium. Washington, D.C. was, at the time of our meeting, looking more possible. Naturally, discussion followed about hosting in future years. 2008? Further out?

The discussion included possible locations. As Niagara and Toronto have been given verbal OK's from the Fire Marshall, locations such as Hamilton Point (site of 2003 ArtGlass exposition) the Distillery District, Harbourfront, Sheridan College, etc., were suggested. People also volunteered to hold virtually all the chairs necessary for a symposium. The section also heard about communications with Ron Bihler, Scott Bancroft and others from the national office, who, at first concerned that we did not get on track for the 2007 Symposium, were encouraging that for future years, if we did the research and leg work, Canada could host a great and unique Symposium. Section Chairman Mark Trent indicated he would call for the Spring 2007 Section Meeting in Harbourfront and invite national members. Other participants agreed to continue research.

Our Spring 2006 meeting has been pushed to Summer 2006 in St. John's, Newfoundland, August 12th and 13th, hosted by (section a/v chair) Brian Power and Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Our Treasury is exactly where we would like it: \$2350.00 in the bank (Nov. 1st, 2005) and we collect \$20.00 annual dues from each member, with receipts. Membership is not significantly increasing or decreasing.

The Canadian Section is pleased to learn that the Allan Brown Regular Members Workshop series is being made more affordable to all members, that being made possible by a modification to the program. We see this as a cornerstone to Symposia and a fitting tribute to Allan Brown.

Sincerely,

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