



THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS



Wendy Carr left the National Council as the representative for B.C. and became the newest Director at Large, October 2009.



Senator Claudette Tardif and John Erskine at the first *Languages Without Borders* conference opening and reception, Edmonton, AB, 2009.



Past President John Erskine, Larry Vandergrift (Robert Roy Award winner), and President Valerie Pike, October 2009.



Partnership agreement between Glenn Cake (CDLI) and John Erskine (CASLT), October 2009.



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SPOTLIGHT ON:



RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION

Annual Report 2009-2010

Research development and dissemination

Our Progress

CASLT has defined a clear sense of purpose and vision, key strategic directions, and areas of priority. CASLT has developed processes to attain meaningful results in five major strategic areas in order to solidify its leadership capacity in support of effective second and additional language teaching and learning in Canada:

- Member support and services
- Research development and dissemination
- Networking and partnerships
- Public awareness, media, and government relations
- Organizational capacity

Research Development and Dissemination

Our Professional Development (PD) Sessions

A **CASLT Chez Vous (CCV)** is a one-day PD session centered on a theme or based on the expertise of a selected presenter. Seven regional CCVs were completed in 2009-10:

1. CCV Winnipeg, April 14th 2009, on Literacy, Assessment/ Working with the CEFR and ELP, given by Miles Turnbull, John Erskine, Carlos Soler Montes, Thomas Chaurin, and Caterina Sotiriadis
2. CCV Edmonton, April 27th 2009, on Oral Communication/ Literacy Strategies and Assessment, given by Bev Anderson
3. CCV Fredericton, April 30th-May 1st 2009, focusing on *Culture Francophone/Celebrating Languages*, given by André Charlebois
4. CCV Halifax, May 8th 2009, on support for English as a second language teachers, given by Tara Shahparaki and Stéphane Lacroix
5. CCV St John's, May 29th 2009, on Motivation/Affect, given by Jim Howden
6. CCV Shippagan, July 13th 2009, on Franco culture, given by Louisel Pelletier-Robichaud
7. CCV Regina and Saskatoon, February 22nd-23rd 2010, on Literacy in L2, given by Roy Lyster

Our National Conferences

In 2009, a new brand was launched for the biennial CASLT national conference for second language educators, *Languages Without Borders*, held May 21-23, in Edmonton, AB. This conference was co-hosted by CASLT and the Institute for Innovation in Second Language Education at Edmonton Public Schools. We welcomed over 600 conference delegates from across Canada and abroad, providing exciting PD and networking opportunities for second language educators to connect with colleagues, and pre-conference school visits to various Edmonton Public Schools' language programs.

Top-notch keynote speakers and guest presenters included: Milton Bennett, Helena Curtain, Jim Cummins, David Little, and S.N. Greymorning. Over 75 workshop presenters from Canada, USA, Ireland, China, Japan, Spain, Germany, and France offered sessions.

Unique cultural events and entertainment included an American Sign Language school choir, a Chinese school dragon dance, local Edmonton Ukrainian dancers, a Spanish guitarist, an electro-pop German entertainer, the Cree Yellow Ribbon Dancers, as well as the viewing of the French film, *Raconte-moi ta langue*. Over 85 exhibitors at the conference and 38 resource information sessions were offered in the Exhibits Hall by publishers and second language organizations.

"The Languages Without Borders conference was the best language conference I've ever attended – stimulating sessions on diverse topics, excellent speakers, great display of resources, fun mini-sessions... I learned a lot and I had a great time."

— W.N., Consultant, Alberta



Our Projects

a. FSL and ESL Teacher and Program Support

- Distributed to members: *Réflexions*, print magazine (May 2009, October 2009, and February 2010), *The CASLT Language Teacher calendar* (December 2009), and *Semaine de la langue française* PDF resource (March 2010).
- Increased access to quality web-based resources on our website and in our monthly online newsletters, including the posting of new video clips and podcasts.
- Supported a research-based PD colloquium hosted by CCERBAL, University of Ottawa, entitled *Language Immersion as Formal and Informal Learning: New Perspectives for Research and Public Policy*, held April 30-May 1, 2009, with invited speakers Miles Turnbull and Michael Salvatori, presenting *The European Common Framework and Language Portfolio: One Possible Pathway to Support Pre-service and In-service Teachers' Language Development*.
- Supported The Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics' (CAAL) *Special Symposium on Second Language Teacher Education: Assessment, Achievement, and Advancement in Canada's Official Languages*, May 29, 2009. CASLT Board member Michael Salvatori co-chaired the event with Paula Kristmanson. CASLT produced and posted a series of video clips with fact sheets from this event.
- In partnership with OLBI, delivered a ten-day PD opportunity for the second time: Summer University for FSL teachers, University of Ottawa, July 2009.
- Released the research report, *Profile and Pathways – Supports for Developing FSL Teachers' Pedagogical, Linguistic, and Cultural Competencies*, Michael Salvatori and Alina MacFarlane, principal investigators, October 2009.
- Conducted a national, online survey of *English as a second language (ESL) teachers' perspectives*, January 11-February 19, 2010, lead by Professor Leif French, l'Université du Québec à Chicoutimi.

- *Mentoring/Coaching survey* completed in fall 2009 and CASLT hosted a two-day session on *Developing models of mentoring/coaching programs designed for L2 teachers*, facilitated by Joanne Robinson, held in Ottawa, Ontario, February 3-4, 2010. The information collected is being incorporated into a new teacher support project.
- A committee of administrators, guidance counsellors, and teacher federations that support second language programs was formed and the first meeting took place on January 18, 2010. The committee outlined a series of six folios entitled *Leadership for Successful FSL Programs* on specific topics to help principals support FSL teachers and their programs. A partnership with CAIT has been established to develop and distribute the folios.

b. Language Associations and Collaborative Supports (LACS) with the European Centre for Modern Languages (ECML), Graz, Austria

- Participation on a multinational and multilingual (French, German, and English) project committee with the goals of facilitating greater collaboration between language association networks and disseminating ECML publications.
- Articles on Canadian participation in LACS as well as in other ECML research project teams have been published in *Réflexions*, and an ECML news section has been added to the monthly newsletters.

c. International Languages Teacher and Program Support

- Developing a student focused oral-language multilingual game, *Speakarama*, for distribution in September 2010.
- Compilation of past calendar language expressions for creation of a teacher support resource; to be developed in fall of 2010 and ready for publication in winter of 2011.

Left: Languages Without Borders Conference Committee

Right: Senator Claudette Tardif and John Erskine

Far right: Janice Aubry and Milton Bennett, one of the keynote speakers for the conference



Our Results

Our monthly online newsletters

- More than 6,200 subscribers to the *ESL and Modern Languages* newsletter
- More than 6,400 subscribers to the *FSL newsletter*

Our website

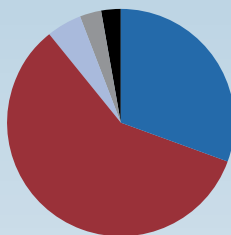
- 1,651,059 visitors this year; an average of 5,289 visitors per day
- 5,561,756 viewed documents
- 695.36 GB of bandwidth used in the process

Our membership

- 21% new members – 79% renewing members
- 5,279 active members across Canada
- 56 non-Canadian members

Our membership by type

- Student members (1,638) 31%
- Affiliate (3,130) 59%
- Individual (253) 5%
- Complimentary (169) 3%
- Institutional memberships (141) 2%



Our members by province	
Yukon	12
Northwest Territories	20
Nunavut	6
British Columbia	906
Alberta	629
Saskatchewan	420
Manitoba	293
Ontario	1,350
Quebec	501
New Brunswick	128
Nova Scotia	760
Prince Edward Island	37
Newfoundland	177

Our Financial Statement of Operations (Year ending March 31st, 2010)

Revenue	2010
Contributions from Canadian Heritage	\$ 548,000
Contracts with Canadian Heritage	\$ 33,850
Memberships	\$ 36,234
Publication Sales	\$ 9,979
Other Revenue (Contracts, Registration Fees, Advertising, Grants, Interest)	\$ 253,551
Total	\$ 881,614

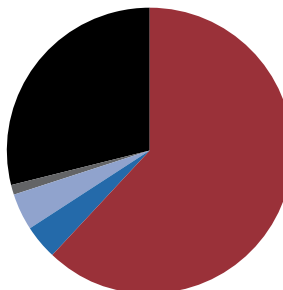
Expenses	
Salaries, Benefits, Contractuals	\$ 268,530
Travel and Accommodations	\$ 267,569
Professional and Consulting Fees	\$ 122,083
Printing and Publicity	\$ 121,555
Operational costs	\$ 102,024
Other	\$ 5,220
Teacher Bursaries	\$ 4,000
Total	\$ 890,981

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenses	\$ (9,367)
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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

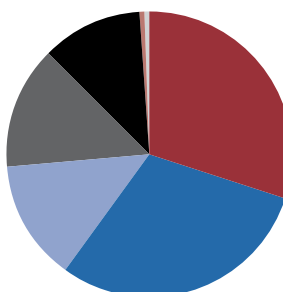
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 111,529
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (9,367)
Balance, End of Year	\$ 102,162

Revenue



- Contributions from Canadian Heritage – \$548,000 (62%)
- Contracts with Canadian Heritage – \$33,850 (4%)
- Memberships – \$36,234 (4%)
- Publication Sales – \$9,979 (1%)
- Other Revenue (Contracts, Registration Fees, Advertising, Grants, Interest) – \$253,551 (29%)

Expenses



- Salaries, Benefits, Contractuals \$268,530 (30%)
- Travel and Accommodations – \$267,569 (30%)
- Professional and Consulting Fees – \$122,083 (14%)
- Printing and Publicity – \$121,555 (14%)
- Operational costs – \$102,024 (11%)
- Other – \$5,220 (1%)
- Teacher Bursaries – \$4,000 (1%)

Our Monthly Highlights



Richard Clément, Director and Associate Dean of OLB

April 30-May 1, 2009

CASLT provided support for the CCERBAL (University of Ottawa) Colloquium, *Language Immersion as Formal and Informal Learning: New Perspectives for Research and Public Policy*, with invited speakers, Miles Turnbull and Michael Salvatori, presenting The European Common Framework and Language Portfolio: One Possible Pathway to Support Pre-service and In-service Teachers' Language Development.

May 21-23, 2009

CASLT held its first *Languages Without Borders* biennial conference in Edmonton, Alberta, attended by over 600 second language teachers. Invited speakers included Senator Claudette Tardif, Dr. Jim Cummins, Dr. Milton Bennett, and Dr. David Little.



Callie Mady and Wendy Carr

May 29, 2009

CASLT provided support for The Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics' (CAAL) *Special Symposium on Second Language Teacher Education: Assessment, Achievement, and Advancement in Canada's Official Languages*. Michael Salvatori (representative from CASLT's Board of Directors) co-chaired the event with Paula Kristmanson. Sarah Du Broy, CASLT's Communications Officer, helped coordinate the videotaping of specific sessions and then posted them on caslt.org. CASLT also allocated a bursary to Craig Buckland to attend the symposium.

July 6-17, 2009

The second **CASLT/OLBI Summer University for FSL Teachers** (Core French, Intensive French, and French Immersion) was held at the University of Ottawa, with a focus on technology and culture in the second language classroom.



Summer University participants

July 13, 2009

A **CASLT Chez Vous** event was held in Shippagan, New Brunswick, focusing on Franco Culture, given by Louisel Pelletier-Robichaud.

August 25-27, 2009

CASLT provided support for the **British Columbia Japanese Teachers' Summer Seminar**, held in Burnaby, B.C., by giving \$300 in travel grants (three grants of \$100 each for out-of-town participants) as well as \$700 to cover the costs of the lunches for the three-day seminar.

September 4, 2009

CASLT celebrated the 40th anniversary of the *Official Languages Act* by encouraging its members to mark this significant anniversary with their students and to deepen their understanding of its profound impact on the past, present, and the future of our nation.

October 1-2, 2009

The **CASLT AGM and Networking Event**, attended by over 50 individuals representing L2 stakeholder groups, was held in Ottawa, Ontario. John Erskine (right) became the Past President of CASLT and Valerie Pike (left) became the new President.



"It (CAAL's symposium) was a great opportunity to familiarize myself with current trends in FSL acquisition. (...) It brought together some of the most knowledgeable people in Canada in order to share their expertise and research."

— Craig Buckland

November 12-14

CASLT provided support for **SPEAQ's annual convention**, held in Montreal, QC, by staffing an exhibitor table and presenting workshops.

December 1, 2009

CASLT distributed a research report entitled *Profile and Pathways – Supports for Developing FSL Teachers' Pedagogical, Linguistic, and Cultural Competencies* to stakeholders.



January 11-February 19, 2010

CASLT conducted a **national, online survey of English as a second language (ESL) teachers' perspectives**, lead by Professor Leif French, l'Université du Québec à Chicoutimi.



February 3-4, 2010

CASLT hosted a two-day session on *Developping models of mentoring/coaching programs designed for L2 teachers*, facilitated by Joanne Robinson, held in Ottawa, Ontario.



March 5-21, 2010

CASLT proudly encouraged FSL participation in the *Rendez-vous de la Francophonie*, by distributing the event's annual newspaper circular in the mailing of the February 2010 issue of *Réflexions* and by publishing CASLT's annual teacher support document entitled *Semaine de la langue française*.

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The Board of Directors receives information and support from the National Council representatives and Advisory Committees. This structure ensures that our members' views, research, and trends in each area are taken into consideration, and fosters a genuinely collaborative approach. CASLT wishes to thank all of its volunteer leaders for their commitment of time, energy, and expertise.

Le Conseil d'administration est tenu au courant par les représentants du Conseil national et des comités consultatifs et bénéficie de leur soutien. Cette structure assure qu'il sera tenu compte des points de vue des membres, des résultats de la recherche et de l'évolution de chacun des domaines, et elle favorise une approche coopérative authentique. L'ACPLS tient à remercier tous ces dirigeants bénévoles de leur temps, énergie et expertise.

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CASLT wishes to recognize individuals who have rendered significant service and demonstrated leadership in the advancement of second language education as past presidents, winners of our prestigious Robert Roy Award, and as our honorary lifetime members.

L'ACPLS tient à honorer des personnes ayant grandement contribué à l'essor de l'enseignement des langues secondes tels nos présidents sortants, les gagnants du prestigieux prix Robert Roy et nos membres honoraires à vie.

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Many prominent Canadian individuals have expressed a desire to extend their support to CASLT and its initiatives in promoting the advancement of second language teaching and learning throughout Canada.

Certains éminents personnages canadiens désirent appuyer l'ACPLS et ses initiatives favorisant l'essor de l'enseignement et de l'apprentissage des langues secondes à travers le Canada.

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