



**NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS**

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**Business Meeting – Minutes - April 18, 2015**  
**The Hawthorne Hotel**  
**Salem, MA**

**President Elizabeth Kenney called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.**

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2014 meeting in Toronto, Ontario was made by Jim Schaefer and seconded by Cari Moorhead. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Secretary-Treasurer Scott Delcourt distributed copies of the Financial Statement for July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014. The fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, with a balance of **\$43,600.07** checking, and **revenues exceeding costs by \$2,914.34** for the year. The market value of the Kemper/Scudder investment account as of 6/30/14 was **\$153,931.15**, up nearly \$20,000 from FY 2013. Scott reminded those in attendance that NAGS finished the year in the black due to the change in annual dues amount passed at the 2012 meeting in Halifax.

Scott reported that 68 institutional members and 3 sustaining members paid dues in 2013-14 for a total membership of 97 institutional and 3 sustaining members and membership revenues of \$22,400. Scott reported that institutional membership continues to show a downward trend (down from 121 members in 2012-13 to 100 in 2013-14), although the reasons are not clear. Tighter institutional budgets are likely part of the reason, but general awareness of NAGS among U.S and Canadian graduate schools in the Northeast could also explain some of the drop. Those in attendance agreed that more outreach is needed to promote NAGS to institutions that are not members.

Brad Nelson made a motion to approve the financial report, which was seconded by Joan Norris. The financial report was approved unanimously by the membership with no additional discussion.

**Executive Committee**

Jan Allen from Cornell University was nominated by the Executive Committee for the position of President-elect.

The following individuals were presented to the membership for re-election to the Executive Committee:

Carol Beck, Thomas Jefferson University  
Laurel Garrick Duhaney, SUNY-New Paltz  
John McCarthy, University of Massachusetts Amherst

In addition, Kim Kienapple, Mount Saint Vincent University, was presented for election to a new at-large three year term, and Stanley Dunn, Rensselaer Polytechnic University, was presented for election to an at-large two year term, replacing Brian Campbell from UOIT.

Motion to approve the slate of candidates was made by Brad Nelson and seconded by Cari Moorhead. All candidates were unanimously approved by the NAGS membership by a show of hands.

## **Meeting 2016**

President-elect Joan Norris reported that the 2016 NAGS annual meeting would likely take place at the new Delta Hotel in Waterloo, Ontario.

President Elizabeth Kenney was presented with a plaque by President-elect Joan Norris for her outstanding service to the Association.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott G. Delcourt".

Scott G. Delcourt  
Secretary-Treasurer

**Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools**  
**July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014**  
 Financial Statement

**Revenues:**

Interest:  
 7/1/13 – 6/30/14 35.38

Dues:

Members 12-13 (47)	9,400.00
Sustaining members 12-13 (4)	1,600.00
Members 12-14 (6)	2,400.00
Sustaining members 12-14 (0)	0.00
Members 12-15 (15)*	9,000.00
Sustaining members 12-15 (0)	0.00
<b>Subtotal Dues</b>	<b>22,400.00</b>

Conference:

Registrations	19,769.87
Sustaining sponsors	10,000.00

**Subtotal Conference** 29,769.87

**Total Revenues:** **\$52,205.25**

**Expenses:**

Operations:

Supplies/postage	480.21
Website	287.20
Awards (Dissertation, Teaching, Mentoring)	4,000.00
Ex. Committee Meeting, October 2013	1,705.49
Ex. Committee Meeting, December 2013	1,408.53
Reception for D. Stewart	3,087.69
NAGS Board Travel (meeting site)	1,135.82
CGS Board Travel	275.55

**Subtotal Operations** 12,380.49

Conference (see detailed report): 36,910.42

**Subtotal Conference** 39,499.03

**Total Expenses:** **\$49,290.91**

Profit (Loss)

<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>	<b>\$2,914.34</b>
Balance 6-30-09	\$32,809.12
Balance 6-30-10	\$24,269.64
Balance 6-30-11	\$15,223.97
Balance 6-30-12	\$11,207.79
Balance 6-30-13	\$42,132.70
Balance 6-30-14	\$43,600.07

**INVESTMENT ACCOUNT (Kemper/Scudder)**

Market value 6-30-09	\$117,981.63
Market value 6-30-10	\$131,310.20
Market value 6-30-11	\$148,467.14
Market value 6-30-12	\$154,568.63
Market value 6-30-13	\$134,611.49
Market value 6-30-14	\$153,931.15