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ABSTRACT

The Canadian Association for Adult Education (CAAE) celebrated its fortieth anniversary during the 1974-75 year, which the document reviews. Program accomplishments and objectives are discussed, as well as staff changes, currently sponsored work shops, seminars and programs, learning resources kit, new publications, CAAE budget and auditors report, and president's message. The association works in close cooperation with their Francophone counterpart, l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes (ICEA). (LH)

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Annual
Report
1974/75



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The coming year, 1976 may be seen in years to come as a critical juncture for the future direction of adult learning in Canada. The outcome of federal-provincial negotiations now beginning with respect to existing post-secondary agreements will bear inexorably on the programs and priorities of post-secondary institutions and the open-sector for a long time to come.

Readers of this report will note the course of a study of educational policies in Canada being conducted by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development the result of which — if past experience holds true — will profoundly affect the future allocation of priorities among competing sectors in Canadian education.

Political leaders, who once could say nothing against educational expense, seem to have come to view the existing public expenditures in support of the various forms of education as a yoke not to be borne without vigorous complaint. Whether they are in fact reflecting the opinion of the public with respect to that public's own education remains to be seen.

In the industrial sector programs of adult learning have never before enjoyed such vital importance as corporations and trade unions jostle to keep pace with ever accelerating change.

The challenge in 1975 to a national voluntary organization with an overriding concern for adult learning in Canada is to monitor the emerging issues and to work, from some of the few objective viewpoints open to an honest broker, towards an influence for improvement amongst powerful forces whose direct interests cannot always be assumed to coincide with the needs of adult learners in our country.

All too much of the impact to date of the investment in adult learning has been to verticalize our society, to widen the gap between fortunate and unfortunate, when our imperative ought to be to extend learning opportunities to all citizens and newcomers; without this goal 'accessibility' becomes an empty slogan. In fact the education of adults in Canada now bears a sharp resemblance to the state of the education of children before the introduction of 'free' public education some sixty years ago. The same solution is obviously not open to us but we must work hard on viable alternatives.

I am pleased to report that in my opinion the CAAE has worked vigorously to meet this responsibility in 1974/75. To our Search Committee, who found our new Executive Director, Ian Morrison, I extend profound appreciation.

... a critical juncture for the future direction of adult learning in Canada

Our Board of Directors has demonstrated a strength and balance which has sustained the Association during the past year and has nurtured many ideas which we now report as emerging projects and activities. Our newly elected Board for 1975/76 shows similar promise. I welcome each one of them to the affairs of the Association.

Throughout our fortieth anniversary year we have undertaken special projects not only to celebrate past achievements but, equally important, to re-awaken old affiliations and to strengthen our Association as we face future obligations.

This Annual Report reveals the extent of close co-operation between CAAE and our francophone counterpart organization, l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes (ICEA) in many of our priority activities. To our friends and colleagues in ICEA we extend our warm regard and anticipation of future co-equal collaboration towards objectives we share.

To our associates in the five provincial organizations, where we see also encouraging signs of vitality and growth, we express appreciation for their encouragement, advice and support in the past year. Our intention is to offer reciprocal co-operation in the year to come.

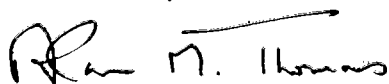
To Gordon Hodge, who served this Association with warmth and enthusiasm for three years until his departure in 1974, I extend the appreciation of the Board of Directors and the membership of CAAE.

Our particular thanks is due to Ian Morrison, our new Executive Director, and to the other members of the staff, whose tireless efforts have brought to life the vital program we report herein.

The essential ingredient of any voluntary association is the energy and commitment of many persons whose contribution of time and effort without remuneration generates the energy to sustain the greater cause. The CAAE is fortunate in both the numbers and quality of its volunteers at all levels and from so many diverse interests. Without their participation no progress would be possible.

And to those whose contribution of funds provides the essential financial base for our concern and outreach, I offer our most heartfelt appreciation.

We invite all persons of common view to join with us in the coming year in this venture of human development.



Alan M. Thomas,
President



IAN MORRISON NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ian Morrison joined the Association as Executive Director effective December 1974. In his previous position as President of the Frontier College he directed a unique program of community education which extends educational opportunities to thousands of citizens and newcomers in outlying parts of the country whose access to educational and social services is restricted by geographic or cultural isolation.

Prior to his appointment as President of Frontier College in 1971, he served for five years as Program Director and three years as a field worker with the College. He holds degrees from the University of Toronto and the London School of Economics.

STAFF

Gordon Hodge resigned as Executive Director of the Association in June 1974. In September the Board of Directors announced the appointment of Ian Morrison as Executive Director effective December 1974. Other members of the CAAE staff in 1974/75 are:

Project Consultants	Gordon Ball Dorothy MacKeracher Paul McGinnis Anne Van Burek Isabel Wilson
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Accountant	George Conn
Senior Secretary	Faye Frewin
Secretaries	Susan Tapley Sharon Wood

CAAE 1935 — 1975

This year CAAE celebrates the fortieth anniversary of its founding in 1935 as a social force in Canada. To celebrate this occasion the Association has initiated four special projects:

- production of a *Multi Media Kit* which portrays and highlights the most important events and activities of forty years;
- the casting and sale of a *Fortieth Anniversary Medal* in silver and bronze designed by the internationally renowned sculptress Dora de Pédery-Hunt featuring a portrait of J. Roby Kidd;
- the publication of a *book of essays* in honour of Roby Kidd in his sixtieth year;
- the establishment of the *J. Roby Kidd Lectureship Fund* to be accumulated by public subscription.

... to re-ignite affiliation with old friends

On May 30, 1975 the Government of Ontario hosted a dinner on the occasion of the Association's fortieth anniversary. Three hundred friends of the CAAE attended this special event, including representatives of thirty-five national adult education organizations from all continents, and paid tribute to Roby Kidd's unique contribution to the cause of adult learning both in Canada and internationally. Prior to the dinner the Honourable Pauline McGibbon, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, welcomed the participants at a reception in her Chambers at the Ontario Legislature where she spoke eloquently of Roby Kidd's outstanding achievements.

A major objective of the special fortieth anniversary events and activities has been to re-ignite affiliation with old friends towards the implementation of our aims and objectives.

PARTICIPATE IN CAAE'S FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY BY PURCHASING...

A MULTI MEDIA KIT which packages the highlights of forty years in the development of Canadian adult education including:

- personal reflections on cassette by Dr. E. A. Corbett, CAAE's founding Director



- excerpts from a Citizens' Forum broadcast on cassette featuring Pierre Elliott Trudeau
- exact reproductions of key documents, telegrams and letters from the early days of Canadian adult education including benchmark articles from *Adult Learning*, *Food for Thought* and *Continuous Learning*
- cassette recording, photographs, documents and a portrait head of Dr. Corbett

Price \$8.00 (Ontario residents add P. S. T.)

A BOOK OF ESSAYS IN HONOUR OF J. ROBY KIDD is to be published late in 1975 by Peter Martin Associates, Toronto. Under the editorial direction of Walter Herbert, the essays will reflect Roby's diverse interests spanning several decades of adult learning in Canada and the world. CAAE will be pleased to forward detailed information to interested persons on request near the time of publication.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY MEDAL CAST IN SILVER AND BRONZE featuring a profile portrait of J. Roby Kidd. This is a rare and limited opportunity for collectors of Dora de Pédery-Hunt's medals, and for friends of Roby Kidd and the CAAE. Mrs. Hunt is internationally renowned as a sculptress and designer. She approached the CAAE medal with great enthusiasm because of her long friendship with Roby Kidd.

As a symbol for the Association she chose an owl under wing which appears on the reverse side of the medal and on the cover of this report.

The fortieth anniversary medal has been cast in a limited edition of 250, of which a maximum of 25 will be cast in silver, the remainder in bronze. She describes the medal as a "free form, non-geometric, oval shape. The obverse side depicts a low relief portrait of Roby Kidd on a mild concave surface. The reverse features an owl under wing on a convex oval surface. I have designed the medal to fit comfortably into the palm of the hand."



Dimensions: 77 x 67 millimetres

Price:

Cast Bronze \$69.00
Cast silver \$180.00 (Ontario residents add P.S.T.)

A detailed brochure describing the medal is available from CAAE.

FRIENDS OF J. ROBY KIDD

During our Fortieth Anniversary year the CAAE is honouring the contribution of J. Roby Kidd to adult learning in Canada and throughout the world.

We have established a J. ROBY KIDD LECTURESHIP FUND whose proceeds will go to finance an annual lecture in future years by individuals with important statements to make in the field of adult education.

To all of Roby's friends and associates over many years we extend a warm invitation to honour his special contribution by supporting the lectureship fund financially. All contributions to the Association designated for this purpose will be received with our heartfelt gratitude and a receipt for income tax purposes will be issued.

I enlist your assistance to ensure the success of the J. Roby Kidd lectureship fund.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Alan M. Thomas in black ink.

Alan M. Thomas

Cheques should be made payable to "CAAÉ re J. Roby Kidd Lectureship".



CAAE PRIORITIES IN 1975/76

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN is a network of leaders in women's education throughout Canada. This Canadian Committee on Learning Opportunities for Women operates as an independent committee affiliated with the Association. Its goals are to provide a linking network among persons developing learning opportunities for women across the country and to initiate a communications media program or outreach to Canadian women. Two workshops have been sponsored by the Committee, in Saskatoon and Toronto, and a third planning meeting will follow to develop strategies for future initiatives.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OLDER PEOPLE (LOOPS) is a project to study and develop effective approaches for learning of, by and for the fastest growing age group in Canada, the quartile of the population over fifty-five years of age. Through a series of meetings and workshops, LOOPS is investigating andragogical techniques particularly appropriate for this group, is developing a comprehensive knowledge of programs offered for older people throughout Canada and is publishing LOOPS, a newsletter for distribution to individuals and groups interested in this emerging priority in adult education. Sample issues of LOOPS are available on request from CAAE.

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group in Canada

LABOUR EDUCATION, the development of learning opportunities within the trade union movement for members and leaders, and public education on the role and importance of trade unions in a democratic society, have long represented a priority of concern for the Association.

In 1975 the CAAE co-sponsored (with l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes, the Canadian Labour Congress, the Congres des Syndicats National and the Canada Department of Labour) a National Conference on Labour Education, the first in nineteen years, at the Government Conference Centre in Ottawa, April 28-30. Out of this highly successful meeting came a resolution calling on CAAE and the CLC to constitute a joint committee to offer co-ordination and contact between universities and colleges and labour organizations.

During 1975/76 CAAE will work with the CLC to implement the directions from the Conference. Detailed information on the deliberations and decisions of the Conference is available from the Association on request.

ADULT LEARNING IN THE COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA. Since the days of Farm Radio Forum and Citizens' Forum CAAE has maintained a concern for continuing education through the broadcast media. In 1975 the Association sponsored a special workshop to examine strategies for adult learning in the communications media. This meeting took place on April 17 with representation from all parts of Canada, from government, media executives, universities, public interest organizations, and adult educators.

Out of this gathering a series of objectives for a continuing committee have been proposed and CAAE has decided to constitute a committee to carry forward this concern. Arthur Knowles, Director of Extension at Sir Wilfrid Laurier University has agreed to serve as founding Chairman.

WORKSHOPS IN LIFELONG LEARNING

Following the January 1974 Workshop in Toronto led by Walter Pitman, CAAE is planning a series of special Workshops to investigate on location, some of the most exciting experiments in lifelong learning throughout Canada.

The next of these Workshops will take place in Saskatchewan, October 21-24, 1975, jointly sponsored by the CAAE and the Saskatchewan Association for Lifelong Learning, to investigate the *Saskatchewan Community College model* — a system of local learning centres utilizing local resources without extensive capital facilities which is unique within Canada.

Further Workshops will:

- expose anglophone adult educators to the real world of *éducation permanente* in francophone Montreal (Spring 1976)

... the real world of *éducation permanente* in francophone Montreal

- investigate the *Further Education Policy* in operation within Alberta and Alberta's unique *Local Further Education Councils* whereby initiative for non-formal continuing education is extended to myriad interested groups of citizens (Banff, October 1976)
- study the Newfoundland *Community Learning Centre* concept operating in outport settlements (tentatively Spring 1977)

Each Workshop will focus upon direct exposure of participants to local activities through visits, discussion and direct confrontation. Participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs together with a registration fee to cover organizational costs of the Workshop. Registration will be limited to ensure flexibility and a full opportunity for all to participate. Additional information is available from the Association.

HABITAT '76

Through Alan Thomas and Rennie Mohamed, CAAE took part in a consultation on the Canadian participation aspects of Habitat '76, the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements scheduled for Vancouver in mid-June 1976. Copies of the edited transcript of the consultation, which took place in Ottawa, November 1-2, 1974 are available on request.

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

Following the first tour of the Peoples' Republic of China by Canadian Adult Educators, sponsored by the CAAE in cooperation with UNESCO in May 1974, the Association has been working to develop a policy and program for future educational travel activities under the leadership of Eleanor Vellinga.

CAAE hopes to apply its experience from the evaluation of the China tour towards educational travel to Canada by adult educators from abroad at the time of Habitat '76 and the 1976 Olympiad.

MEMBERSHIP IN CAAE...

...is open to all individuals and organizations who support the Association's goals. Members receive a monthly learning resources Kit containing up-to-the-moment information on all aspects of adult education in an informal, brief format.

The cost of annual membership is \$10.00 for individuals and \$30.00 for organizations.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of
The Canadian Association for Adult Education (1964)

We have examined the balance sheet of The Canadian Association for Adult Education (1964) as at April 30, 1975 and the statements of revenue and expenditure, deficit and source and application of funds for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Association as at April 30, 1975 and the results of its operations and the source and application of its funds for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Toronto, Ontario
May 15, 1975



Chartered Accountants

BALANCE SHEET

April 30, 1975

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 955	\$10,337
Short Term deposit	15,000	—
Accounts receivable and accrued interest	<u>1,088</u>	<u>722</u>
	<u>17,043</u>	<u>11,059</u>

Investments; at lower of cost or market

Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario Bonds 6% July 5, 1988	<u>18,500</u>	<u>18,500</u>
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Fixed Assets

Library, at nominal value	1	1
Office furniture and equipment, at cost	<u>7,150</u>	<u>5,520</u>
	7,151	5,521
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>5,121</u>	<u>4,641</u>
	<u>2,030</u>	<u>880</u>
	<u>\$37,573</u>	<u>\$30,439</u>

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Bank Loan (secured)	\$22,000	\$22,000
Accounts payable and accrued charges	<u>5,486</u>	<u>1,281</u>
	<u>27,486</u>	<u>23,281</u>

Charitable Bequest from R.J. Copeland Estate (note 1)

<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
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Deficit

<u>14,013</u>	<u>17,842</u>
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STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
Year Ended April 30, 1975

	1975	1974
Revenue		
Contributions	\$66,755	\$52,031
Other revenue	4,446	2,750
Programs and Projects	<u>50,397</u>	<u>70,768</u>
Total Revenue	<u>121,598</u>	<u>125,549</u>
Expenditure		
General expenses	55,838	48,960
Publications and informational services	7,400	6,674
Programs and Projects	<u>55,425</u>	<u>81,964</u>
	<u>118,663</u>	<u>137,598</u>
Excess of Revenue over expenditure (expenditure over revenue) for year	<u>\$ 2,929</u>	<u>\$(12,049)</u>

STATEMENT OF DEFICIT
Year Ended April 30, 1975

Balance, beginning of year	\$17,842	\$ 135
Excess of expenditure over revenue for year	—	12,049
Write — down of investments to market value	—	<u>5,658</u>
	17,842	17,842
Excess of revenue over expenditure for year	<u>2,929</u>	—
Balance end of year	<u>\$14,913</u>	<u>\$17,842</u>

NOTE TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
April 30, 1975

Under the terms of the bequest from the R.J. Copeland Estate this money may be used only for investment purposes. These investments are lodged as security for the Bank Loan with the consent of the Trustees of the R.J. Copeland Estate.

STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS
Year Ended April 30, 1975

	1975	1974
Source of Funds		
Excess of revenue over expenditure for year	\$ 2,929	\$ —
Depreciation, not requiring a current outlay of funds	<u>480</u>	<u>200</u>
	<u>3,409</u>	<u>200</u>
Application of Funds		
Excess of expenditure over revenue for year	—	12,049
Purchase of office equipment	<u>1,630</u>	<u>84</u>
	<u>1,630</u>	<u>12,133</u>
Increase (decrease) in working capital	<u>1,779</u>	<u>(11,933)</u>
Working capital deficiency, beginning of year	<u>12,222</u>	<u>289</u>
Working capital deficiency, end of year	<u>\$10,443</u>	<u>\$12,222</u>

OECD STUDY OF EDUCATIONAL POLICIES IN CANADA

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, based in Paris, is undertaking a special study of Canadian education as part of its continuing program of evaluation of important policy areas in member countries. The first phase of this program, completed in the spring of 1975, has been the preparation of an internal report by the Council of Ministers of Education of Canada in cooperation with the Secretary of State. This internal report, consisting of six parts, is organized on the basis of four regional reports, a federal government report and a summary document, available for limited distribution from the Council of Ministers of Education.

During the second stage of the study, a visit to Canada by five external expert examiners in June 1975, CAAE, together with l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes and the Ontario Association for Continuing Education met with the external examiners in Toronto and representatives of the Alberta Association for Continuing Education met them in Edmonton. The Association played before the external examiners its concern for policies affecting adult learning and, in particular, for policies to extend educational opportunities to Canada's 'poor' and disadvantaged population toward a redistribution of human development investments through education. A copy of the CAAE statement to the external examiners is available on request.

The third stage of this study consists of a report by the external examiners leading to a confrontation meeting in Paris in December 1975 where the internal and external reports will be debated. In early 1976 OECD will publish its final report.

In view of the influence on Canadian decisions in the past by OECD reports, in particular the 1960's report on manpower policy, CAAE believes the forthcoming report on educational policies will have profound influences on future educational policies. Our intention is to monitor the process closely and to inform our members periodically of the results.

FINANCING POST SECONDARY EDUCATION IN CANADA

The present fiscal arrangements between the federal government and the provinces covering post-secondary education finance will expire in 1977. Under the present agreement, the federal government pays 53% of the cost of post-secondary education, the provinces collectively 30%, and the balance is divided equally between fees and endowments.

...the outcome may shape the course of post-secondary education for the balance of this century

CAAE believes that the federal-provincial negotiations now underway on a future cost sharing agreement are of vital public interest as the outcome may shape the course of post-secondary education for the balance of this century. In cooperation with l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes, the Association is planning a program of public education on this vital issue towards a more informed public interest in a sector of adult education which even now involves about four billion dollars of public resources each year.

NATIONAL VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS CONFERENCE

Fifty-seven national voluntary organizations including CAAE and many of its member organizations participated in a national conference at the Government Conference Centre, Ottawa on November 3-4, 1974. Don Brundage, Past President of the Association, worked on the Conference organization committee on our behalf.

Participants considered common concerns and interests leading to a recommendation for future continuing association.

IMMIGRATION 1975 — 2001

A major national conference to examine the future directions of immigration policy was sponsored by the CAAE in cooperation with a Toronto Committee on Immigration and Migration with financial support from the Department of Manpower and Immigration.

This conference, which took place at the University of Toronto, May 22-24, 1975, brought together 150 persons with experience and expertise in various aspects of immigration, migration and demographic policy to discuss future options in the context of the federal Green Paper on Immigration. Copies of the Conference Report are available in both official languages from CAAE. Also available are edited video and audio cassettes of important Conference proceedings.

A principal recommendation from *Immigration 1975 — 2001* is that the federal government should establish an independent demographic council to investigate thoroughly Canada's future demographic needs and to report with recommendations no later than 1980.

MANPOWER TRAINING POLICY CONFERENCE

CAAE will co-sponsor jointly with l'Institut Canadien d'Education des Adultes a major conference to examine the future direction of manpower training policy in Canada. This event is planned for Ottawa, January 27-29, 1978 with financial assistance from the Department of Manpower and Immigration.

... Manpower training in the context of recurrent education

Representatives of the federal government and the provinces will be invited together with persons from business, labour unions, academics, professional groups, students and other interests to identify and evaluate options for future policy. The Conference theme will be "manpower training in the context of recurrent education."

LIFELONG LEARNING CONFERENCE

The Association is beginning to plan a major conference on lifelong learning in Canada to take place in 1978. Members will receive advance notification.

THE IXth INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HEALTH EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC. . .

. . . will take place in the Skyline Hotel, Ottawa, August 29 — September 3, 1978 under the auspices of the World Health Organization and the International Union for Health Education. The main objective will be to extend and improve the health education of the public nationally and internationally. Over 1,000 leaders in the health and education fields, representing more than 100 countries will explore the theme: "Health education and Health Policy in the Dynamics of Development."

The CAAE will co-host this Conference in the belief that all Canadians, and particularly our membership, have much to gain and to contribute in the deliberations and, equally important, the focus of public opinion on this vital topic to develop in Canada through hosting the event. Additional information from: Conference Secretariat, Box 2305, Station D, Ottawa.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR ADULT EDUCATION

The CAAE, as the Canadian member of this new international organization, served as host to the third Annual Meeting of the International Council in Ottawa, May 26-28, 1975. Representatives of thirty-five national adult education associations from all continents participated in this gathering under the Presidency of Dr. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah of India.

... thirty-five national adult education associations from all continents participated

In September 1974 the International Council sponsored a conference of national adult education organizations at Wansfell, England. CAAE's representative at Wansfell was Gordon Selman of Vancouver, Chairman of the International Relations Committee of the Association. Limited copies of the Wansfell report are available from CAAE together with a cassette recording of a conversation between Selman and Roby Kidd, Secretary General of ICAE, on the principal themes of the Conference (Wansfell cassette price \$4.00)



The fourth Annual Meeting of ICAE will take place in Dar es Salaam in June 1976. The International Council publishes a multi-lingual international journal of comparative adult education, *Convergence*, available by subscription from ICAE, 252 Bloor Street West, Toronto.

CAAE COOPERATION WITH PROVINCIAL ADULT LEARNING ORGANIZATIONS

The Association cooperates closely with five regional bodies who share with us a concern for adult learning in Canada. CAAE lends support to the local activities and priorities of these groups and offers an exchange of information, techniques and approaches among them. These provincial associations are:

Continuous Learning Association of Nova Scotia
Ontario Association for Continuing Education
Saskatchewan Association for Lifelong Learning
Alberta Association for Continuing Education
Pacific Association for Continuing Education

The Presidents of each provincial association are members of the Board of Directors of the CAAE.

CAAE will continue to offer assistance and cooperation to facilitate the emergence of provincial, territorial or regional adult learning bodies in other parts of the country as well.

METRIC COMMISSION

John Morris, Director of Extension Services at the University of New Brunswick and a member of the CAAE Board of Directors, sits as the Association's representative on the Metric Commission's Steering Committee on Education, Information and Training. The Commission has published a series of booklets to assist the public towards the conversion process. Detailed information on CAAE's role and some of the published material is available from the Association on request.

CANADIAN COMMISSION FOR UNESCO

CAAE is a member of the UNESCO Sub-Commission on Education in Canada. Bert Curtis, President of Confederation College, is the Association's representative on the Sub-Commission, and its Chairman in 1975.

At the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Commission for UNESCO in Moncton, April 2-4, 1975, the Education Sub-Commission considered reports from the Committee on International Cooperation in Education, from Lorne Bergstrom, Deputy Minister of Education, Regina, representing the Council of Ministers of Education on the progress of the OECD study of educational policies in Canada (see page 10) and from Alan Thomas, President of CAAE, in his capacity as Chairman of the Secretary of State's Advisory Council on Voluntary Action on the progress of its work.

... the special needs and interests of women for adult learning opportunities

At the same meeting the special UNESCO workshop on International Women's Year passed a resolution calling for much greater attention to the special needs and interests of women for access to adult learning opportunities, particularly women whose access has been limited by geographic or cultural isolation.

During the coming year CAAE plans to cooperate with UNESCO by co-ordinating visits to Canada by international visitors interested in adult education and by co-sponsoring a seminar to consider the main trends developing in the transformation of educational systems.

The ongoing function of the Sub-Commission is to gather Canadian responses to the UNESCO biennial world plan for education.

CANADIAN COUNCIL ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Harold Baker of the University of Saskatchewan's Department of Extension is CAAE's representative on the Council. The Canadian Council on Rural Development is a national advisory body established by the Minister responsible for Regional Economic Expansion to advise on policy directions of the Department.

The Council's primary focus of concern in 1975 has been to assist the Department to develop policies for federal-provincial agreements on the 'mid-north'. Current emphasis rests on the four western provinces. The Council is completing a long-term study of local development associations leading to a conference to consider the establishment of an ongoing federation of local associations on a Canada-wide basis. In addition the Council is extending priority towards the study of tourism and recreation as it affects the rural environment together with a concern for adaptive technology to serve smaller rural communities.

LEARNING RESOURCES KIT

Since 1972 the CAAE has published a monthly KIT of information, ideas and comment touching on all aspects of adult learning, citizen participation and community development. The KIT utilizes an informal format with brief notes on events, people, themes, emerging issues and membership feedback.

Occasional supplements to the KIT include reports, articles, brochures and other documents of particular interest to practitioners of adult learning. The KIT is mailed monthly as a service to members of CAAE. Sample copies are available on request.

After two years of service, Gordon Ball departed as the KIT editor in April 1975. The new editor is Dorothy MacKeracher.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

A special committee of the Board of Directors of the CAAE has recommended a publications strategy which the Board has adopted for progressive implementation as resources permit. New CAAE publications will include: a magazine (quarterly), an adult learning yearbook, and a decennial review of adult education in Canada (the last decennial review was *Learning in Society*, 1963, now out of print).

BUDGET PLAN FOR 1975-76

To finance expanding activities and services in support of adult learning in Canada, the Association is planning a budget plan to reflect and support this developing program

Operating revenue	\$115,000
Project revenue	160,900
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	275,900
Operating expenses	121,730
Project expenses	160,900
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Excess of expenses over revenue	6,730

The Board's long-term objective is to operate on a balanced budget and plans for 1976/77 will be developed to support this long-term balance.

CAAE OBJECTIVES

1. To represent the interest of adult learning in Canada and in the world community,
2. To facilitate communication and interaction among practitioners and adult learners between the various provinces and regions of Canada,
3. To offer critical examination and evaluation of the effectiveness of existing programs of adult education and citizen participation in Canada,
4. To encourage those interested in adult learning to speak and act together in pressing matters of joint concern,
5. To identify priorities among the un-met needs of adults in Canada for continuing education opportunities and to encourage established institutions to adapt programs and priorities in response to new needs.

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