

## **Annual General Assembly of Members, Sunday, October 27, 2013**

This year the Annual General Assembly of APS members was held in Montreal, more precisely at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel in Ville St-Laurent. The meeting was held in the presence of the same delegates who had attended the National Council the previous day. This year, the sole purpose of the event was to unveil the results of the national consultation vote held between October 15 and October 18, 2013.

The voting procedure now included in our By-laws is entrusted to an outside firm entirely responsible to conduct voting activities. This year again, the mandate was awarded to Big Pulse to cover the operation which included four different proposals. At the end of its mandate, the company sent the results at 9:00, by e-mail, right in time for the opening of the General Assembly. The unveiling of the results is the responsibility of two returning officers. The elected representatives this year were David Mac Farlane from Edmonton for the English Network and Rémy Parent the Ottawa Director for the French Network.

David and Rémy then proceeded to disclose the results of the vote transmitted to them electronically by the voting firm.

At the end of the voting period registered at midnight October 18 a record number of participants had chosen to exercise their voting rights with a total of 243 members in good standing having casted their ballots. The previous record had been set last year, with 217 members participating in our first ever electronic consultation. The official results are the following:

### Proposal 1 (acceptation of the financial statements)

Yes: 239 (98.35%)      ---      No: 4 (1.65%)

### Proposal 2 (Nomination of Lussier, Séguin, external auditors)

Yes: 241 (99.18%)      ---      No: 2 (0.82%)

### Proposal 3 (collective agreement)

Yes: 224 (92.18%)      ---      No: 19 (7.82%)

### Proposal 4 (By-laws)

Yes: 231 (95.06%)      ---      No: 12 (4.94%)

For the validation of each of the results specific percentages were required. For the financial statements as well as the collective agreement a minimum of 50% of votes + 1, was needed, while the By-laws required a majority of more than 2/3 of the votes. All proposals were accepted by the Assembly to the satisfaction of everyone in attendance.