



Manitoba Director's Report
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. October 21, 2017
Vancouver, B.C.

Since the CSCT Annual General Meeting (AGM) held in Montreal on October 22, 2016, the Board of Directors of Manitoba Association of Cardiology Technologists (MACT Inc.) organized a very successful AGM and Education Session at the St. Boniface Hospital on April 30, 2017. As this was an election year, we had only 2 speakers. Mr. Scott Kheler (PhD candidate) spoke on the Rehab Study (pre-operative Rehabilitation for Reduction of hospitalization after coronary Bypass and valvular surgery). Dr. Rizwan Manji discussed and shared video clips of cardiac surgery with limited technology in Rwanda, Africa. Both presentations were informative and interesting.

At the AGM on April 22, 2017, our members elected four new directors to the board. Our Vice President (VP) gracefully accepted the president's position while our President Barb Arora stepped down but offered continuing support to the newly constituted Board. Pam Singh PEC took on a new challenge by accepting the VP's position. Darlene Keith proudly accepted the Education Coordinator's position while Christine Chan, who is new to the board, passionately accepted the Assistant Education Coordinator's position. Colleen Bemister, with great success won the Manitoba director's position to be nominated as the next CSCT Director on October 21, 2017, CSCT AGM. Zynu Anchan who spent hours balancing books, checking mail etc., stepped down from the Treasurer's position. Trina Toro, our secretary, who took pride in submitting detailed minutes covering all aspects of the board meetings, gladly accepted the positions of the Treasurer and the Registrar. Samantha Nedokus, also a new member on the board, wholeheartedly accepted the Secretary's position. Karen Sklavenitis, who is well experienced as she has held Board positions in the past, gladly accepted the Rural Director's position.

In April 2017, five candidates from the Stenberg Cohort program attempted the CSCT exam, four were successful and one was unsuccessful. In September 2017, one candidate attempted the CSCT exam, and was successful.

The tentative date of our AGM and Education Session is May 5, 2018. MACT will be celebrating 55th Anniversary. Members are encouraged to attend AGM and Education Sessions, accumulate 30 CEUs and pay dues to remain members in good standing. My term ends in Oct. 2017. It has been an honor, and I have had a privilege to serve on the MACT/CSCT board for four years. Thank you for the trust and faith you had in me.

Respectfully submitted,
J.Polly Pachu, RCT

