



The Puffin Report

RIMS Canada Council (RCC) Update Fall 2012

1. **RIMS Canada Council**

For the term January 1st, 2013 to December 31st, 2013, the slate of officers is as follows:

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| ▪ Betty Clarke, Newfoundland & Labrador | CHAIR |
| ▪ Roman Parzei, Ontario | VICE CHAIR |
| ▪ Rieneke (Ren) Lips, Southern Alberta | TREASURER |
| ▪ Sue Mephram, Saskatchewan | SECRETARY |
| ▪ Tino Brambilla, Manitoba | PAST CHAIR |

2. **RIMS Update**

- RIMS Board has appointed a Governance Task Force to address the issue of Associates on Chapter Boards.
- To encourage and enhance the value of GRMI membership, RIMS is planning a quarterly webinar.
- Nominations for 2012 RIMS Awards are open until January 9, 2013. Information on the various award categories can be found at:
<http://www.rims.org/aboutRIMS/Awards/Pages/default.aspx>
- Future RIMS conference locations:
 - ✓ 2013 – Los Angeles, April 21 - 24
 - ✓ 2014 – Denver, April 27- 30
 - ✓ 2015 – New Orleans, April 26 - 29

3. **RIMS Canada Conferences**

- Congratulations to the Saskatoon Local Organizing Committee for hosting an exceptional conference.
- Mark your calendars for upcoming RIMS Canada Conferences:
 - 2013 – Victoria, October 6 – 9
 - 2014 – Winnipeg, September 14 - 17
 - 2015 – Quebec City, September 26 – 30

Wanted – Volunteers for RCC Subcommittees

Every year vacancies occur on the 3 RCC Subcommittees.

- All subcommittees of the RIMS Canada Council follow the same process for selection of new members when a vacancy occurs.
- All members will be appointed for a two-year term. Usual term commences January 1st.
- Canadian RIMS members interested in serving on one of the subcommittees are asked to put their name forward to their Chapter President.
- The Chapter President will forward the names, along with a one page resume, to Bonnie Wasser bwasser@sympatico.ca or the relevant subcommittee Chair. They, in turn, may recommend the candidate to the RCC based on skills needed by the subcommittee. In all cases, the RCC or its Executive will approve candidate selection.
- When an opening becomes available new members will be selected from the candidate pool.
- Volunteering for one of our committees is a rewarding experience. The three standing committees are: Communications/External Affairs, Conference and Education.

Remember that the RCC position is an elected Chapter Board position. The 10 chapters each have one RCC representative.