



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2024 AGM

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This year started more business as usual. It took a drastic turn as one Member decided to withdraw. The executive has held multiple meetings to face the new challenges. Committees are functioning at their best as they have more representative from across the country. On the overall, I feel that we are stronger than we were one year ago. That is thanks to the work of the executive, the committees and the members.

### 2. MEMBERSHIP

We had a drastic fall of our membership this year nevertheless, the remaining members did show an increase in their membership.

### 3. ACER-CART AS A CORPORATION

ACER-CART is incorporated federally. We received our letters patent on September 6, 2006, from the Ministry of Industry. In 2014, we had to file for continuance under the non-for-profit act, now Corporation Canada. We received the continuance certificate on the third of February 2014. Every February, we must file an annual return with them, at a cost of \$12. We do not have to file any audited financial report because our income is too low. I must indicate any changes of directors when new officers are elected to the executive. Every time we approve changes to the bylaws, I must file those changes. Our logo is registered. We received the trade-mark certificate of registration on November 2, 2012.

### 4. LIABILITY INSURANCE

We hold a liability insurance. This policy does not cover any accident or damages. If we were sued, then they would cover certain costs. See attachment.

### 5. FINANCIAL SITUATION

Because of the withdrawal of RTOERO, our finances took a hit this year. Nevertheless, actions have been taken to reduce our expenses without affecting our programs. By prudently tapping into our reserve fund, we will be able to continue our work for many years without having t

### 6. Correspondence

Letters were generated or received during the year. The President and I have received numerous emails (I have received over fifteen hundred since the last AGM) most of which requested a reply or further work.

**7. Zoom meetings.**

We have met twice this year to discuss issues with the directors and presidents. The meeting was primarily focused on the changes needed to realign or organization on a go forward basis. This meeting was very useful for the executive to continue its work or to realign their us, if our direction does not meet the expectations of Members. We are planning at least three next year.

**8. Annual General Meeting 2024**

Setting up for this meeting was somewhat more difficult this year. Hotels have considerably increased their costs. As a cost-saving measure, the executive has opted to return to CTF/FCE. The saving of between six and nine thousand dollars. It is important to have this face-to-face meeting as it is the only way to be able to create links between us. They will now occur on a biannual calendar.

**9. Sharing information.**

We have seen an increase of a demand for information between many organizations. These demands were forwarded to you, as often as I do not have the information on hand. Thank you for responding to these requests in a timely fashion.

**10. New Mode**

We have re subscribed to New Mode. We have made use of the program this year and are planning new actions in the coming year. Some Members have requested to use it for their advocacy work.

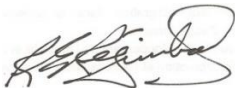
**11. Website and Publications**

Marilyn, Tony, and Linda have done a superb job at maintaining and enhancing our website. We have had many positive comments about the professionalism that it reveals.

Executive, Directors, and Members thank you for answering our requests and producing your reports in a timely fashion.

Bill, thank you for your leadership, hard work, and your friendship.

It has been and it is always a pleasure serving you.



Roger Régimbal  
Executive Director