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The 2008 annual general meeting in Gimli, Manitoba was a productive one for the Canadian Society for Hydrological Sciences. A new executive was elected. Bruce Davison stepped down as President, but his corporate memory will remain as he is staying on as a member-at-large. Bruce has his main task well in hand as he has already built a strong committee of academics, practicing hydrologists and regulators to investigate the state of hydrologic practitioners in Canada. Due to workload demands, Bob Reid could not remain as a member-at-large, but will stay involved in the CSHS as a regional representative for the Northwest Territories. Eric Blais and André St.-Hilare both agreed to stay with the executive as members-at-large. Joining us as secretary is Frank Weber, from BC Hydro. Dave Hutchinson is the new vice-president. The CSHS has some exciting projects coming in the next few years. Our vision of the CSHS is a society that encourages interaction between the academic and practicing Canadian hydrology communities for improved water management in Canada. In the 1970's, the University of Saskatchewan hosted a lecture series on hydrology. These lectures and the ensuing publications that came from them became a reference tool for Canadian hydrologists for decades. We think it is time for another similar lecture series. So much has happened in our field since then, particularly with technology (i.e. GIS and remote sensing) and improved process knowledge. We don't know the form that this series could take, but there are several models we could draw from, including Project WET and the original 1970's lecture series. Each lecture would be a short one or two day course on a hydrological subject given by the Canadian expert in the field. We would like to see this series become CSHS's flagship operation over the next few years. We also are continuing with our other initiatives on water availability indicators, and promoting a model intercomparison project. Finally, I would like to express my thanks to Bruce Davison for his efforts while he was President of the CSHS. Bruce continues to give tirelessly to the CWRA. I appreciate his leadership over the past year and his willingness to stay involved in the CSHS executive.

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