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RPSC to revise its strategic plan, says new President

The Board of Directors of The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada has elected Ed Kroft, QC as president and Sam Chiu as first-vice president. The elections took place during a recent board meeting in which James Taylor tendered his resignation as president for personal reasons.

Taylor is staying on the board as past president and will continue to chair the RPSC's international committee and to serve as Canada's international exhibition liaison.

"I want to thank Jim for his service as president," says Kroft, who had been serving on the RPSC board as first vice-president.

Kroft says the RPSC board "is focused on revising its strategic plan and expanding its membership base."

The new board consists of:

EXECUTIVE / L'EXÉCUTIF

Ed Kroft, QC, FRPSC, Vancouver BC, President / président
An active exhibitor, author and national level judge, Kroft is a former legal advisor to the Society. He is also currently president of the Society of Israel Philatelists (SIP) and has been a member of its executive since 2002.



Ed Kroft, QC, FRPSC

Sam Chiu, FRPSC, Toronto ON, Vice-President / premier vice-président
An award winning exhibitor and judge at both national and FIP levels, Chiu is a former member of Canada Post's Stamp Advisory Committee.



Sam Chiu, FRPSC

George Pepall, FRPSC, Kitchener ON, Second Vice-President / deuxième vice-président
Pepall is a past president and the third longest serving president in RPSC history. He brings a long institutional history to the executive and to the board.

Robert Pinet, Toronto ON, Secretary / secrétaire
Pinet is a philatelic exhibitor, writer, presenter and national level judge. He teaches English at Centennial College in Toronto.

Stuart Keeley, Thorold ON, Treasurer / trésorier

Keeley is retired from John Deere, and is a former church treasurer. He served as president of the St. Catharines Philatelic Society for 21 years, and as vice-president or president of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Alliance (GRVPA) for 14.

James R. (Jim) Taylor, FRPSC & FRPSL, Calgary AB, Past President / président sortant

Taylor is the past president of the Royal. An award-winning exhibitor at all levels and a judge at the FIP level, he is the Canadian FIAF representative and FIAF treasurer, and the Canadian FIP representative.

DIRECTORS / LES DIRECTEURS

Hugo Deshayé, Quebec City QC

Deshayé is a Canadian Armed Forces veteran, has been a collector for over 30 years, and is a dealer specializing in Canadian postal history, postcards and postmarks.

Lloyd Field, Kitchener ON

A former vice president of human resources, Field has his own consulting practice. He is an active community volunteer and has facilitated strategic planning with not-for-profit organizations.

Robert Lunn, Nasonworth NB

Lunn is an award-winning exhibitor and national judge. He is an advocate of expanding the network of local clubs to make the Royal a stronger organization.

Douglas McAndless, London ON

A retired educator, former president of The Ontario Teachers' Federation, and a retired commanding officer in the Canadian Militia, McAndless is a strong advocate for the hobby.

Robert Timberg, Toronto ON

Timberg is a lawyer, and volunteer executive manager of The RPSC. He teaches law at the University of Waterloo in the School of Accounting and Finance.

Mike Walsh, Wainfleet ON

Walsh is managing partner and editor of *Canadian Stamp News*, a bi-weekly news magazine serving the Canadian philatelic community since 1976.

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