

Meeting of the CMOS Ottawa Centre Executive
Monday March, 14, 2016, 11:00 AM
Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess
4 Queen Elizabeth Dr., Ottawa

Minutes

Present: Ann McMillan (Chair, Ottawa Centre), Martin Gauthier (Vice-Chair), Yvon Bernier (Treasurer), Bob Jones (Centre webmaster, Archivist, Member-at-Large) and Wayne Richardson (Member-at-Large).

Unable to attend: Marty Taillefer (past Chair, CMOS Ottawa Centre), Paul Pestieau (Member-at-Large), Denis Bourque (Member-at-Large), Sheila Bourque (education liaison), John Stone (Member-at-Large), Zoé Kuntz (student representative), Janice Pilon (student representative) and Leslie Malone (Secretary).

Proceedings:

1. Ann McMillan chaired the meeting of the Executive held on 14 March 2016. The minutes of the meeting of 24 February 2016 were approved with minor changes. The final version is posted at: <http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/Executive/minutes.html>.

The action items from the February meeting were reviewed without changes.

2. The approved agenda for this current session is attached as **ANNEX 1**. Discussions on each item are summarized in items 3 - 5 below, along with any decisions and actions agreed upon.
3. **Schedule of lunch speakers**
Christopher Harley is the March speaker on the topic "Global warming, ocean acidification, and the importance of shifting species interactions in coastal marine ecosystems".

The Canadian Association of the Club of Rome (CACOR) has invited the CMOS Ottawa chapter to jointly sponsor a talk on April 20 2016 at their venue, The Army Mess, 149 Somerset St. W (please note there is a dress code at this venue). The speaker would be Robert Sandford, and the title of his topic would be: Hot & Bothered: Water Security, Climate Stability; and Human and Planetary Health in a Warming World.

Ann McMillan is working on finalizing arrangements with Meteorological Service of Canada (MSC) to have one of their DGs to present in May.

Decisions and status of arrangements for luncheon speakers for September to December 2015 and for January to May 2016 are summarized in **Table 1 and Table 2**, respectively, below.

4. **2020 Congress**

The 2020 Congress is planned to be held in Ottawa. Ann has asked the Executive to think about someone who could lead the local arrangements. At the last meeting, Ann proposed to offer an honorarium for this position. An amount of \$2000 was suggested but members of the Executive were not asked yet to vote on this proposition.

The congress is coming soon and the Executive agree to put this subject high on the committee's priority list.

5. **Other business**

Sciences fair in Outaouais

The Expo-sciences de l'Outaouais was held this weekend in Gatineau. Yvon Bernier and Serge Nadon attended on Friday to identify the projects that qualified for CMOS's two prizes. Surprisingly, there were no projects on meteorology or climate change this year. Nevertheless, they identified four projects that qualified for our prizes. Yvon attended also on Sunday to give the prizes to our winners. The project that received our First Prize, titled **Cumbre Vieja: la menace**, deals with the tsunami phenomenon (Cumbre Vieja is a volcanic island in the Canary Islands off Africa). The one that received our Second Prize, titled **Une nouvelle vague d'énergie**, deals with a method to extract energy from oceans waves. This is posted on the web site at: http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/index_ottawa_archives.html under Science Fair Reports / Rapports des expos-sciences.

6. **Closure.** The meeting was closed at 11:45. Participants were thanked for their contributions to the discussions.

Table 1: Summary of luncheon speakers, September-December 2015

Date	Speaker	Proposed by	Status
2 September	Dr Adam Sobel, MEOPAR tour speaker	MEOPAR	Completed
23 September	Mark Richardson	Wayne Richardson	Completed
28 October	Phil Chadwick	Bob Jones	Completed
25 November	John Stone	John Stone	Completed
16 December	Zoe Perkins	Denis Bourque	Completed

Table 2: Summary of luncheon speakers, January-May 2016

Date	Speaker	Proposed by	Status
27 January	Amanda Pappin	Martin Gauthier	Completed
24 February	Francis Zwiers	Ann McMillan	Completed
14 March	Christopher Harley	CNC-SCOR	Completed
April 20	Robert Sandford	CACOR (joint event)	Confirmed
25 May	TBD	TBD	TBD

For CMOS archive of past speakers: <http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/ottawapastspeakers.html>

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Junior Ranks Mess

11 am

PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Changes to agenda (all)
2. Minutes of February meeting (all)
3. Schedule of lunch speakers (all)
 - a. April 20 – Special event with Club of Rome – Robert Sandford
 - **awaiting abstract and bio**
 - **announcement should reflect dress code at the mess (no jeans)**
 - **CACOR has asked if we will handle our own registration through DOODLE as usual**
 - **we may need to schedule a separate Exec meeting...need to think about Exec for next year, elections**
 - b. May – Speaker from the MSC? – sent e-mail to David, have not heard back as yet.
4. Congress 2020 (all)
5. Other business - Round Table (all)
6. Adjourn.