

**FINAL
CMOS Ottawa Centre**

MINUTES OF MEETING – February 16, 2012-02-23

In Attendance: Paul Pestieau, Bob Jones, Sheila Bourque, Denis Bourque, Wayne Richardson, Richard Asselin, Yvon Bernier, Ann McMillan

The meeting began at 10:50.

1 – Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with the addition of “posting speaker slides on the website” to be discussed under “other business”.

2 – Review of Previous Actions

- 2d Bob completed the generic e-mail name which is ottawa@cmos.ca
- 3a Bob got Rosenberg’s bio
- 3b Ann attempted to confirm with Savi who is unavailable for March 22.
- 3c Paul contacted the National Exec and has the Tour Speaker booked for May.
- 4 See item 4 Upcoming Science Fairs
- 5 See item 5 Public Event Planning
- 6 See item 6 Welcoming new members.
- 8 Paul submitted the Annual Report to the National Office.

3 – Speakers for remaining dates

a. *March* - Ann suggested Lori Ridgeway who is also a senior DFO manager who has broad international connections.

ACTION: Ann to confirm with Lori.

b. *April* -

ACTION: Exec to work on finding an April speaker.

c. *May* – Tour Speaker is booked.

ACTION: Ann was requested to update the speakers list so it could be posted on the web site.

4 – Upcoming Science Fairs – judges and prizes

Quebec side – Serge Nadon will help Yvon judge.

Ontario side – March 24, Marty has plaque, another judge is required, Paul to make the request in his concluding remarks (done). Note: Marty Taillefer agreed to judge.

ACTION: Paul to send a reply to the organizers confirming the details of our participation.

5 – Public Event Planning

- Paul indicated that a total of 7 responses have been received from the groups to whom we sent letters, including CFCAS, Ottawa River Keepers, Science Exchange and the Museum of Nature
- Paul prepared a list of responses and sent to Denis.
ACTION: Paul to send list to all the Executive.
ACTION: Paul to announce planning for this event in his concluding remarks and request people to volunteer to be on an organizing committee for this event (done).
- Need a volunteer to: respond to the 7 organizations that responded (as a group) and organize a conference call or a meeting amongst them in April or May to discuss planning of the event for the fall.
ACTION: Paul to approach Dick Stoddart to see if he would be willing to take this on.
ACTION: Bob to send message out to members to request participation.

6 – Welcoming new members.

- Bob had sent the messages to the Executive for their review and input. The National Executive also sends a welcome letter. Yvon has translated the Ottawa welcome message.
- Bob has now cross referenced our list with the Doodle response for this meeting but no new members will be present.

7 - Financial Report

No further developments.

8 – Other business

- Bob has set up a protected area on the website for storage and access to information such as Centre Minutes and the List of Potential Speakers. The username is bytown and the password is legion.
- It was proposed to post speaker's presentations on the site. Paul Beckwith's have been posted already. We will try this for a year, and dismount the previous year's presentations when the next year's start, in September.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.