

CMOS Ottawa Center

Minutes- March 21st, 2013

11:00am

In attendance: Bob Jones, Martin Taillefer, Yvon Bernier, Ann McMillan, Wayne Richardson, John Dewar, Paul Pestieau

Marty welcomed the group to the meeting. Noting that Adrienne was absent, John Dewar kindly volunteered to take notes.

1. Approval of Agenda

- There was a motion to approve the agenda. It was approved with all in favour.

2. Actions

- An executive meeting during the summer to plan for the upcoming year and begin to investigate venues for pub style meetings was approved. Marty to convene such a meeting.
- Ann is to find out about the “experimental farm venue which is used by Sigma XI” and prepare a report as a possible venue for the joint Ottawa – Sigma XI meeting on the status of the ozone layer. This venue could also be considered for other Centre meetings.
- Next there will be a 2 or 3 person subcommittee nominated for taking charge of finding and organizing public events, with the possibility of a small budget.
- The Facebook page has been posted online, <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Canadian-Meteorological-and-Oceanographic-Society-Ottawa-Center/598597886834857>

3. CMOS Report to council

- Marty has submitted the annual report

4. Speakers for next luncheons

- Doug Allport will be unable to speak this year; however he is willing to do so next year.
- April 18 speaker Jim Bruce has requested the need to sit down during his presentation.
- Marty and Ann will speak on May 16 about the Arctic SIG

5. Ottawa Science Fair- April 6th

- Michael Ott and Leah Braithwaite have volunteered to judge the Ottawa Science Fair.

6. Other Business

Paul discussed the process to get our public event on track. Paul has talked with Meredith Brown, the Ottawa River Keeper and Donna Jean Kilpatrick of the Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA). They are willing to do a two person panel talk. Paul will continue to follow up.

He noted it would not be possible this year but that a group had met which will help in making this happen. Paul suggested a small sub committee of the Executive be struck to pursue this further in the coming season. He emphasized that a group effort would be better able to achieve success than one person alone. It was agreed that this committee would be set up.

Action: Marty, Paul.

7. A motion to adjourn was approved.