

Meeting of the CMOS Ottawa Centre Executive
Wednesday, 28 September, 2016
Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess
4 Queen Elizabeth Dr., Ottawa

Approved Minutes

Present: Martin Gauthier (Chair), Dawn Conway (Vice-Chair), Yvon Bernier (Treasurer), Denis Bourque (Member-at-Large) and Sheila Bourque (education liaison), John Stone (Member-at-Large), Bob Jones (Centre webmaster, Archivist, Member-at-Large), Paul Pestieau (Member-at-Large), Leslie Malone (Secretary).

Unable to attend: Wayne Richardson (Member-at-Large), Ann McMillan (past Chair), and Zoé Kuntz (student representative).

The meeting was called to order at 11 AM.

Proceedings:

1. The agenda was approved with one addition (see **ANNEX 1** for the approved agenda).
2. The minutes of the informal meeting of 24 August were approved with no changes.
ACTION: The Secretary will provide a final version to Bob Jones for posting asap.

3. Schedule of lunch speakers

Tables 1 and 2 below summarize the schedule and status of preparations for the upcoming luncheons and speaking events. Specifically:

a. **OCTOBER:** Marty Taillefer will be the speaker at the October luncheon (on Thursday, 20 October 2016). Dawn Conway pointed out that the Canadian Climate Forum was hosting an event - Symposium 2016 - Moving Towards Sustainable Energy –at the Westin Hotel, Ottawa, on Oct 20 – 21. The Executive felt that although some CMOS members might opt to participate in the CCF event, the Oct. 20 date would be kept for the CMOS luncheon as planned. Bob Jones noted that CACOR was planning a Round Table Debate on *Pathways to a low-carbon energy future for Canada* for 12 October.

ACTION: Martin Gauthier will contact Marty to identify his topic/title and get an abstract for posting, asap.

b. **NOVEMBER:** Roberta Hamme (U. Victoria), the CNC-SCOR eastern tour speaker for this year, is available to give her talk in Ottawa on Thursday 10 November. The Mess is able to accommodate the change of date for the November luncheon. The executive agreed to Change the November luncheon schedule from 23 Nov and invite Dr Hamme to speak on 10 November. Sufficient information for her bio and abstract are available for

posting. It was noted that Leslie Malone and Dawn Conway would not be available for the meeting on 10 November, and that it is not certain whether Sheila and Denis Bourque will be available.

ACTION: Martin Gauthier will contact CNC-SCOR to confirm the date and to discuss and finalize the logistical arrangements for Dr Hamme's visit, asap.

ACTION: Martin Gauthier will confirm the change of date (to 10 November) with the Mess, asap.

c. DECEMBER: The executive agreed on two additional speakers to invite as soon as possible, one for the December luncheon, the other for early in 2017. Dr Robyn Fiori, Space Weather Research Scientist, Natural Resources Canada's Geomagnetic Laboratory will be invited to give a talk on space weather, and Dr Gilbert Brunet will be invited to talk about weather and climate modeling. The actions for these are as written in the August minutes, but Martin Gauthier will assist as needed. The Executive was informed that the Mess had required that we change our date from 21 to 14 December for the Christmas luncheon. All were in favour. The revised date is already confirmed with the Mess.

d. For 2017, decision on three additional candidates is required (one date between January and May will be filled by the CMOS tour speaker, and one will be either Dr Fiori or Dr Brunet). John Stone suggested that we ask David Scott from Polar Knowledge Canada to speak. Informally, Helen Joseph (Chair of Arctic SIGG) agreed to speak with Mr Scott on behalf of the Executive. For another speaking slot, Dawn Conway suggested the topic of polar tourism and its impacts, and suggested Denis St George or David Pelley (the latter writes on Arctic issues) as speaker. Finally, it was noted that 2017 will mark the 70th anniversary of the first JAWS/HAWS station at Eureka. Prof Whitney Lackenbauer and Dr. Daniel Heidt on the University of Waterloo have just completed a book about the JAWS/HAWS stations which is now out for peer review and may be published in 2017 in time for the 70th anniversary. The Science museum is also setting up a Met exhibit in time for its reopening in November 2017 (the museum will open in time to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday, highlighting the country's history of scientific and technological achievements). Bob Jones will look into the possibility for the Ottawa Executive to highlight some of this in 2017.

ACTION: Leslie Malone will contact Helen Joseph to discuss the invitation to David Scott, asap.

ACTION: Dawn Conway will provide the Executive with further information on possible speakers on polar tourism for consideration at its next meeting.

ACTION: Bob Jones will speak with John Gilbert about a contact at the Science Museum about the new Met Exhibit and the JAWS/HAWS anniversary.

4. Sponsoring an Executive member to attend a CMOS Congress

The Executive discussed whether or not to arrange to cover the costs of participation of a member at annual Congresses. A number of persons on the executive do attend regularly, some because they have professional and/or personal reasons to go (e.g. meetings associated with CMOS National business). CMOS National does not cover the costs of Centre Executive chairs or their representatives to go to Congress. There used to be meetings of all the Centre Chairs at Congress, but these are no longer held. There was a general consensus that if the Centre were to pay for anyone's participation, it would be for the Chair. No definitive decision was made and further discussion is likely closer to the next Congress.

5. Student Representative

The CMOS Ottawa Executive is pleased to welcome Marc Quintaneiro to join subsequent meetings as the new student representative for Carleton University.

6. CMOS Congress 2020

It was announced at CMOS Congress 2016 that Ottawa would host the Congress in 2020. Ann McMillan is in touch with Ottawa Tourism to enlist their help in identifying options for a venue, and will report on results at the October meeting. It was noted that a new convention centre holding 1,250 will soon open near the E-Y Centre around the airport, which could be considered amongst the options.

7. Signatures for financial matters

Yvon Bernier informed the Executive that with the transition of chair and vice-chair positions, it was necessary to update the signatures on file with the Bank. Yvon will arrange to ensure that he (as Treasurer), Martin Gauthier and Dawn Conway have signing authority for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

8. Other business

No other business was raised.

9. Closure

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Table 1: Luncheon speakers, September-December 2016

Date	Speaker	Proposed by	Status
28 September	Len Barrie	L. Malone	completed
20October	Marty Taillefer	himself	In preparation
10 November	Roberta Hamme	CNC-SCOR	In preparation
14 December	Either Robyn Fiori or Gilbert Brunet	Martha Anderson or John Stone respectively	In preparation

Table 2: Luncheon speakers, January-May 2017

Date	Speaker	Proposed by	Status
25January	Either Robyn Fiori or Gilbert Brunet	Martha Anderson or John Stone respectively	In preparation
22 February			TBD
22 March			TBD
26 April			TBD
24 May			TBD

NB: All the above-noted dates 2016-2017 are booked and confirmed with the Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess, 4 Queen Elizabeth Drive, Ottawa. Highlights indicate a date change as of the September meeting.

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

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11 to noon

Approved AGENDA

1. Changes to agenda (all)
2. Minutes of August meeting (all)
3. Schedule of lunch speakers (all)
 - a. October :Marty Taillefer to present on October 20, 2016
 - b. November: The proposed change is Thursday November 10 to accommodate the CNC-SCOR eastern tour speaker (Roberta Hamme from U of Victoria).
 - c. December: proposed date is December 14, not the 21. Need to discuss about who will be the speaker (Robyn Fiori ?)
 - d. Year 2017 speakers: review the list of potential candidates.
4. Should the Ottawa centre help to send one of his members at the next CMOS Conference?
5. Next Student representative?
6. 2020 CMOS Congress
7. Signatures for financial matters
8. Other business - Round Table (all)
9. Adjourn