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**Meeting of the CMOS Ottawa Centre Executive
Wednesday, 18 April 2018
Approved Minutes**

Venue: Army Officer's Mess, 149 Somerset Street West, Ottawa

Call to Order: 11:00 AM

Chair: Dawn Conway

Present*: Dawn Conway, Yvon Bernier, Bob Jones, Ann McMillan, Michael Steeves, Leslie Malone

Regrets*: Martin Gauthier, Denis Bourque, Sheila Bourque, Paul Pestieau, John Stone, Helen Joseph, Bruce Angle, Greg Steeves, Brie Morrison

* See **Table 1** (or <http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/ottawaexecs.html>) for Ottawa Centre Executive

Agenda: Adopted as written.

Minutes from 28.03.2018 meeting: Adopted with no change. **ACTION:** Dawn to finalize.

Actions arising from the minutes: Paul Pestieau did cancel the April booking at the Junior Officer's Mess. Actions assigned to Martin Gauthier were not addressed due to his absence.

Schedule of Luncheon Speakers – 23 May 2018 (see Table 2 for the full 2017-2018 schedule)

May 23 will be the final date in the regular schedule for the 2017-2018 season.

Speaker: John Stone has approached the office of Kirsty Duncan to give the May talk but has not yet informed the Executive of the status of his request. **ACTION:** Bob Jones will contact John Stone to clarify. Should Ms Duncan not be able to agree to give the talk, other excellent suggestions include inviting the incoming CMOS President, Dr Kushner. **ACTION:** Dawn Conway will contact Wayne Richardson to discuss the possibility. **Post-meeting UPDATE:** the two action items above were completed but did not bear fruit. Later, happily, John Gilbert and Michel Labrecque agreed to talk on The Search for Two Lost Meteorological Artifacts (see abstract at: <http://cmos.ca/site/ottawa>).

Elections: for the 2018-2019 season, all current Members including the two Student Representatives are willing to stay on the Executive. With the approval of the Membership, Ann McMillan will be added to the list of Members-at-Large, Martin Gauthier will become Past Chair and Dawn Conway will be the Chair. The position of Vice Chair will be vacant. A shortlist of new Members was discussed to join the Executive, and to serve as Vice Chair. **ACTIONS:** Ann McMillan will seek to identify a new Member who will stand for the Vice Chair position; and will write up the new slate and print copies for Members to consider for the election of the Executive at the May meeting.

Membership: A strategy is needed to attract and retain Members, and for Corporate membership. Michael Steeves is working on the latter, and it is expected that the draft will be ready for discussion at the May meeting. **ACTION:** Michael will send out the draft prior to the May meeting.

2020 Congress Update

Discussion deferred to the May meeting.

Ontario Science Fair 2018

Greg Steeves and Martin Gauthier were the judges, and Michael Steeves also was present. The event was very good, there was a lot of enthusiasm. Topics included climate change, pollution, permafrost. Unfortunately, the trophy did not quite make it in time to be presented. Martin Gauthier is drafting a report. Michael Steeves has shared photos of the event, including of the two winners.

Other business

At the luncheon on 23 May, the Ottawa Centre Membership will conduct elections. There will be a summer meeting as usual. Items for the agenda for the May meeting of the Executive include to discuss the draft strategy for Corporate membership, and to set a date for the summer meeting.

Closure

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:45AM. All were in favour.

Table 1: Ottawa Centre Executive (see also <http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/ottawaexecs.html>)

Chair	Martin Gauthier
Vice Chair	Dawn Conway
Treasurer	Yvon Bernier
Recording Secretary	Leslie Malone
Membership and Archives	Bob Jones
Education Co-ordinator	Sheila Bourque
Past Chair	Ann McMillan
LAC Chair, 2020 Congress	Bruce Angle

Member-at-large	Denis Bourque
Member-at-large	Helen Joseph
Member-at-large	Paul Pestieau
Member-at-large	Michael Steeves
Member-at-large	John Stone
Student rep., U. Ottawa	Greg Steeves
Student rep. Carleton U.	Brie Morrison

Table 2: Speakers, Sept 2017- May 2018

Date	Speaker	Proposed by
20.09.2017	Ian Black	Bob Jones
24.10.2017	Geoff Strong	Bob Jones
16.11.2017	Alana Faber, Adventure Canada	Dawn Conway
12.12.2017	Jonathan Moore, Parks Canada	Dawn Conway
31.01.2018	Karen Kohfield, CNC/SCOR	Helen Joseph; Martin Gauthier
28.02.2018	Andrew Stewart, DFO	Helen Joseph; Martin Gauthier
28.03.2018	Gilbert Brunet, CMOS Tour Speaker	Martin Gauthier
18.04.2018	David Fisher, CMOS/CACOR session	CACOR
23.05.2018	John Gilbert and Michel Labrecque	Bob Jones

Archive of past speakers: <http://cmosarchives.ca/Ottawa/ottawapastspeakers.html>

NB: All the above-noted dates for the 2017-18 season (except the joint session with CACOR) are booked and confirmed with the Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess, 4 Queen Elizabeth Drive, Ottawa.