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Meeting of the CMOS Ottawa Centre Executive  
Wednesday, 28 March 2018

**Venue:** Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess, 4 Queen Elizabeth Drive, Ottawa

**Present:** Martin Gauthier (Chair), Yvon Bernier, Dawn Conway, Bob Jones, Ann McMillan, John Stone, Greg Steeves, Michael Steeves, Helen Joseph.

**Regrets:** Bruce Angle, Leslie Malone, Denis Bourque, Sheila Bourque, Paul Pestieau, Brie Morrison

**Agenda:** Accepted following the addition of an item on Corporate Membership.

**Minutes of the Meeting of February 28, 2018**

**Action:** Conway will finalize revisions and recirculate for approval electronically.

**Actions arising from the minutes:** Discussed under relevant items below.

**Schedule of Luncheon Speakers (see also Table 2):**

- **March 28, 2018:** Martin Gauthier will introduce Gilbert Brunet and thank him.
- **April 18, 2018:** joint CMOS/CACOR meeting: Ann McMillan confirmed the speaker: David Fisher, who will present on *Climate of The Holocene, From the End of the Ice Age to The Present as Derived from Ice Cores*. The talk will be at the Army Officers' Mess on Somerset Street.

**Actions:** Paul Pestieau to cancel the CMOS April reservation at the Junior Officers' Mess.  
Ann McMillan will confirm a meeting room at the Army Officers Mess

- **May 23, 2018:**
  - Greg Steeves has determined that Profs. Jackie Dawson and Konrad Gajewski are unavailable in May. Gajewski may accept to speak at a later date.
  - John Stone has initiated contact with Kirsty Duncan's staff and will follow up regarding whether she or her designate could talk in May, on the 2018 Federal Budget for Research.
- Members agreed to hold an Ottawa Centre meeting in May. If no confirmed speaker we could have a guided discussion on renewal of EC and DFO memberships, since the Ottawa centre is concerned about declining federal memberships. We also need to hold elections.  
*Note Martin Gauthier will not be available on May 23; John Stone will not be available April 18.*

**2020 Congress Update:**

- Martin Gauthier reported his discussion with CMOS Executive Director Gordon Griffith concerning financial help for the LAC Chair's costs to the 2018 CMOS Congress. Griffith was open to helping with costs and will get back to Martin on this.

**Action:** Gauthier to follow up with Griffith.

### **Science Fairs 2018**

- Bob Jones reported that the CMOS trophy is being engraved. He will obtain and deliver the trophy to Martin Gauthier's office.
- The Ontario Science Fair will be held the weekend after Easter (April 6, 2018). Michael Steeves offered to attend to take photos.
- Yvon Bernier reminded members that we provide a cheque to the organizers and student winners. We need a formal request for CMOS sponsorship and an indication of who should receive the organizer cheque.

**Action: Gauthier will discuss this with the organizers, including their need/desire for continued CMOS sponsorship.**

- Yvon Bernier reported on the Outaouais Science Fair at which he and Serge Nadon had been judges. He described the limited number of CMOS-eligible projects, and the two winning entries.

### **SCOR speakers: shared costs**

- Helen Joseph mentioned the costs associated with hosting the SCOR speaker, with Paul Myers, president of the SCOR National Committee. Ottawa CMOS Executive members would like SCOR to pay per diems and hotel as well as speaker travel.
- The cost to CMOS Centres could be discussed at the upcoming SCOR executive meeting in Halifax. Bernier suggested this first be discussed at the next meeting of CMOS Centre Chairs.

**Action: Gauthier will raise this at the next CMOS National meeting, in advance of the June AGM of CNC SCOR.**

### **Corporate Membership**

- Michael Steeves had circulated a document on corporate memberships to the Executive. He described how they work. Benefits of corporate membership should be clear (e.g., networking opportunities; recruitment of new members; access to the CMOS Bulletin; increased visibility, etc.) He invited input from members.
- The results of the study and subsequent brainstorming could be presented to CMOS National in Halifax. Steeves offered to present the results to National.

**Action: Steeves will review the membership form as it pertains to corporate vs. individual memberships. Executive members will send him their comments.**

### **Other business:**

- John Stone proposed that Executive members visit the new Science and Technology Museum and offer to assist by reviewing relevant exhibits if desired by the Museum.

**Closure:** The meeting adjourned at 11:55

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**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
May, 2018	TBD	

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

NB: All the above-noted dates for the 2017-18 season have been booked and confirmed with the Rideau Canal Junior Ranks Mess, 4 Queen Elizabeth Drive, Ottawa.