

Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society
Toronto Centre AGM
17-April-2018

Centre Chair Amir Shabbar called the meeting to order at 3:20 pm, with about 15 members in attendance

1. Chair's Report (Amir Shabbar)
 - a. Centre in good shape, both in terms of activities and finances
 - b. Centre exec members worked hard on the successful 2017 CMOS Congress in Toronto.
 - c. Educational file particularly busy in 2017
 - d. CMOS Exec moving to Toronto in 2018: looking for candidates
 - e. Planned 2018 Activities
 - i. under work: tour of the Weather Network (bus might be arranged)
2. Education Coordinator (Joan Klaassen)
 - a. In 2017, 13 talks (to schools, groups), highest number since 2006. Also a York networking event.
 - b. Calendar 2018 activities
 - i. Planning for 3-4 Science Fair cash prizes in Toronto area (matching funds from CMOS National)
 - ii. Already 12 talks presented, with 8 more planned by June
 1. Joan does 90' talks to Gr7-8 (on climate) and Gr10-11 (climate change), and also talks to Scout groups
 2. Rob Kuhn is continuing to give Severe Weather talks in K-W area
 3. Geoff Coulson includes CMOS topics in presentations to LINC
 - iii. The Ontario School system is a problem area. The science curriculum was changed recently (previous presentation material no longer relevant, and texts on new material are already dated), and difficult to obtain invitations to present in schools. Information on school contacts would be welcome, as would volunteers to present.
3. Treasurer's Report (Ram Yerubandi)
 - a. A detailed report was prepared
 - b. Current state (round figures): \$10K in bank and \$12K invested.
 - c. 2017 subvention was \$1700, not all spent in that year
 - d. One significant expense in 2017: \$500 contribution to the Congress Student Night.
 - e. In 2018, Centre spent \$700 in connection with the Sills Seminar at UofT, which included refreshments.
4. Elections for Centre Executive – chaired by Fred Conway. Results:
 - a. Chair – Amir Shabbar
 - b. Vice-Chair – Steve Jacobs
 - c. Treasurer – Dominique Brunet
 - d. Secretary – Oscar Koren
 - e. Education Coordinator – Joan Klaasen
 - f. Membership Coordinator – Ron Bianchi

- g. Student Rep – Zheng Qi Wang
- h. Councillors – Gord McBean, Peter Taylor
- 5. Other Business
 - a. CMOS National Executive
 - i. Paul Kushner (CMOS VP) introduced the nominated CMOS Executive, to be presented to the CMOS AGM in Halifax in June:
 - ii. Paul Kushner (Pres), Kim Strong (Vice-Pres), Amir Shabbar (Treasurer), Alanna Mackenzie (Corresp Scy), Fred Conway (Rec Scy)
 - iii. The CMOS Exec includes some members not elected, such as Gord Griffith (Exec Dir of CMOS), and Douw Steyn (Publications Coordinator)
 - b. Votes of Thanks
 - i. The meeting made a vote of thanks to Ron Bianchi for all his work on the Toronto Congress, and to Peter Taylor (Scientific Coordinator for the Congress)
- 6. Adjournment – all business completed, meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm