**CMOS Toronto Centre Executive Meeting**

September 27, 2022, 12:00-1:00 pm

ONLINE

Present: Amir Shabbar, Joan Klaassen, Oscar Koren, Dominique Brunet, Daniel Liota. Regrets: Steven Jacobs

Minutes:

1. **Debriefing of Centre Chairs meeting.**

The 2022 CMOS-CGU-ESC joint Congress in Saskatoon was virtual and generated $90K profit which was shared with CGU. 64% for CMOS and 36% for CGU. The 2023 Congress will be in St. John’s NL. It will be a hybrid Congress allowing for in-person and virtual presentations.

1. **Centre Finance Audit.**

All centres will be audited stating in 2023. The Toronto Centre is the largest with 223 members. It is expected to receive $1,800 from the national CMOS office in 2023. There is a concern that Toronto Centre has not been spending enough and has a significant surplus which may invite questions from the auditors. In addition to the year end financial statement, bank statement may be required.

1. **Website update.**

Current CMOS website is not attractive nor is it user friendly. It needs more up to date content. Anyone from Toronto Centre creating content should have it reviewed by the executive committee and then send to Daniel to be uploaded to the website.

1. **Webinar speakers.**

Getting qualified webinar speakers has proven to be difficult. Because of COVID-19 the in-person seminars were not possible. The situation is changing and we may be able to adopt the hybrid model similar to the 2023 CMOS Congress. Anyone with connections to seminar speakers is invited to present their ideas to chair (Amir).

1. **Scholarships**

CMOS-TC is considering awarding a scholarship to a qualified graduate student in atmospheric or oceanographic sciences. The proposed budget is $1000 and can be awarded to one student or split at $500 to two students one in meteorology and one in oceanography. The proposed strategy is to inform university professors of these scholarship(s) and have professors inform the students. Joan will take the lead in developing and distributing scholarship application(s).

1. **Science fair.**

It was proposed to continue to support 3 science fairs with the same financial rewards as in 2022. We would retain the same judges as in 2022.

1. **Round table.**

The school visits were not possible due to COVID-19. It is not clear when school visits will resume. Suggestions were made to organize activities for CMOS-TC members. One suggestion was to organize a visit to King Radar site with a presentation and a free lunch for the participants. Transportation would not be provided, except for free parking at the site. Another suggestion was to organize hybrid seminars with those attending in-person being provided with a free lunch.

1. The meeting ended at 1:15 pm.

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