# CMOS Executive 2019-2020: Meeting No #3 Exécutif de la SCMO 2019-2020: rencontre #3 1200 EDT, Thursday, December 12 / 1200 HNE, jeudi 12 décembre 2019

## **Minutes**

## Thursday, 12-Dec-2019, 12 pm EDT

#### Attending/ présent :

President	Kim Strong (KS)	٧	Past Pres.	Paul Kushner(PK)	
Vice-Pres.	Marek Stastna(MS)	٧	Exec Dir	Gordon Griffith (GG)	٧
Treasurer	Amir Shabbar (AS)	٧	Dir. Pub.	Douw Steyn (DS)	
Cor. Sec.	Diane Pendlebury(DPe)	٧	Congress 2020	Bruce Angle (BA)	
Rec. Sec.	Fred Conway(FC)	٧	Congress 2021	Dave Fissel (DF)	٧
			Congress 2022	Yanping Li (YL)	

#### Attachments to Agenda/Pièces jointes à Ordre du jour

1	Agenda CMOS/SCMO Exec_3 2019-12-12	9d	Treasurer Activity Report	
2	Draft Minutes_CMOS_Executive_2_2019-10-17	9f	Corresponding Sec Activity Report	
4	4 Update on CMOS 2021 Congress		Past Pres Activity Report	
6a	IUGG-CMOS Montreal Centre Compensation Proposal	9h	Director of Pubs Activity Report	
6b	CMOS Congress-Centre Compensation	9i	CMOS Congress Code of conduct	
7	CMOS Operational Policy - 2019-12-12 - Redlined	9j	Congress Guidelines	
9a	President Activity Report	10	Action Items for Exec-3	
9b	Vice-President Activity Report	11	Cycle of Activities	
9c	Executive Director Activity Report			

#### Attachments to Minutes/Pièces jointes au Procès verbal

12	New Action Items from Exec-3	13	Updated Outstanding Action Items from Exec-3
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#### **Acronyms Used:**

CCMC	CMOS Centre Chairs and Membership Committee
SPEC	CMOS School and Public Education Committee
MSC	Meteorological Service of Canada, part of Environment and Climate Change Canada
DFO	Dept of Fisheries and Oceans
PSC	CMOS Private Sector Committee
SciCom	CMOS Scientific Committee
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
AGU	American Geophysical Union
ARRCU	CMOS Sig – Atmospheric-Related Research at Canadian Universities
JPdL	Event Management Firm – (www.jpdl.com)

1.	Approval of Agenda / Adoption de l'ordre du jour. Motion to adopt the agenda moved by
	MS, seconded by DPe. Carried.
2.	Minutes of Executive Committee #2/ Approbation du procès-verbal de la reunion du comité
	executive #2- agenda attachment 2

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- Revisions to the original draft were discussed.
- MS suggested revisions to item 12a

**Motion** to approve amended minutes: moved (AS), seconded (FC) – approved.

#### 3. Update on the Ottawa Congress/ mise à jour sur le congrès d'Ottawa:

- BA was not present and had not submitted a report.
- MS (from Ottawa LAC report, not available at meeting):
  - preparations are well underway, but no commitment has been made re suggestion for Science Fair winner participation.
  - VIA Discounts: Ellen Gute raised issue; BA not sure if this is an LAC or CMOE Exec issue
- GG travel discounts are arranged by LACs, as they must be destination specific

#### New Action Time E3.1: GG to advise BA

General Discussion:

- MS: recent AGU meeting involved considerable GHG offsets. Has this practice been dropped in Canada?
- GG: issue of CMOS coverage of GHG offsets at its meetings should be a future discussion topic.
- AS: will updated software be available for abstract submissions for Ottawa Congress
- GG (from recent discussions with Olatech re contract for upgrades to CMOS software)
  - o Full software revamp will not be available for Ottawa Congress. More specifics on CMOS wants are needed.
  - o Application form for Student Travel Awards now online
  - o Existing system has help pages that can help with some difficulties
  - o Centre Chairs will see submitted abstracts
- GG expressed some concerns about status of Olatech work.

## 4. Update from Victoria Congress 2021 (attachment/p.j. 4) and Saskatoon Mise à jour sur les congrès 2021 (Victoria) et 2022 (Saskatoon)

Victoria Congress (6-10 June 2021): DF

- now have 15 LAC members, 2-3 more needed. First full LAC meeting planned for Jan.
- PK has asked that Bancroft (LAC sponsorship lead) join Fissel and Aspin on the CMOS Congress Committee.
- Fairmont Hotel and room blocks: available discount ends in Dec. Exec expressed concerns about a commitment to this costly hotel, with penalty risks.
- Carbon Reduction Issue: DF noted that this is difficult for a Victoria site due to limited transportation options, but LAC will consider.

#### Saskatoon Congress (2022): YP

No report

#### **Future Congresses**:

• GG noted that CMOS should consider the location of the 2023 Congress

**New Action Item E3.2**: MS to raise issue at next CCMC meeting in January.

#### 5. Tour Speaker / conférencier itinerant (DPe)

- Only one confirmed date and venue (Ottawa), but date is during March break
- Scheduling effort continues, but no response at all from Newfoundland, Rimouski, or New Brunswick Centres

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_	New Action Item E3.3 MS to arrange for DPe participation at next CCMC meeting					
6.	IUGG - CMOS Montréal Centre Compensation (attachments/p.j. #6a, #6b)					
	GG: JPdL has advised verbally that CMOS proceeds from IUGG 2019 will be about \$75K. The					
	usual formula for Society/Centre sharing of proceeds does not necessarily apply as the 2019					
	Congress was different (JPdL did much of organizing work). Attachments review past					
	arrangements and suggest a modified formula for this case. In discussion, AS noted that Society's financial position is not rosy.					
	<b>Moved</b> by FC, seconded by MS, that Society adhere to existing formula for sharing of 2019					
	Congress profit (est. Centre share ~\$7700). Passed by 4-1 vote, AS voting against.					
7.	CMOS Operational Policy (attachment/p.j. #7)					
,,	<b>GG:</b> original draft was presented to Nov Council meeting; current draft includes suggested					
	changes.					
	In discussion, AS noted that he as Treasurer does not have signing authority for logistic reasons					
	(account is in an Ottawa bank), but other organizations do handle such difficulties.					
	<b>Moved</b> by FC, seconded by MS, that CMOS Exec approves the Operational Policy – approved.					
	New Action Item E3.4: AS to explore signing authority logistics.					
8.	Contribution from CMOS to International Forum of Meteorological Sciences (IFMS)					
٠.	KS: request received from Harinder Ahluwalia, that CMOS fulfill its commitment to contribute					
	1% of its membership fees to IFMS.					
	GG: CMOS needs to confirm if there was any such commitment. Council agreed only to					
	monitor IFMS activities. Cost to CMOS would be ~\$300-400/year. Some societies (e.g. AMS)					
	are contributing.					
	AS: such contribution is not in CMOS budget.					
	New Action Item E3.5 KS to acknowledge request and ask for clarification of claimed					
	commitment.					
9.	Executive Reports / Rapports executives					
9a	President / Président (attachment/p.j. 9a)					
	• Ellen Gute (national student rep) has got National Student Committee going, and is asking					
	for copies of the CMOS recruitment postcard for Centre to distribute.					
	CMOS Membership Code of Conduct – next step in development is distribution to					
	membership at large. Draft covering letter in the works.					
	Executive Director's contract was signed by KS and MS.					
	<ul> <li>SPEC has been reactivated with new members; some interest in revitalizing UPEC.</li> </ul>					
	Contact from MSC about possible collaboration in encouraging careers in meteorology to					
	secondary and college-level students: scope for SPEC/UPEC partnership. Graduation rates					
	in BSc Atmospheric Science decreasing; U. of Alberta has dropped its program - MSC					
	recruitment affected.					
9b	Vice President/Vice-président- attachment/p.j. 9b					
	Want to review the SPEC Terms of Reference: purpose should be to organize, not lead,					
	outreach.					
	<ul> <li>Need a Council discussion on who in the Society speaks for Climate Change</li> </ul>					
	From AGU meeting: e-poster session very effective. Will bring to SPEC					
	Situation with calls from funding organizations difficult. CMOS should lobby funding agencies for increased notice of application dates.					
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#### Attachment 12

#### **Action Items from CMOS Exec-3**

E3.1	GG	Advise BA the LAC has lead in arranging for for Congress	
		travel discounts	
E3.2	MS	Raise issue of 2023 Congress location with CCMC at January meeting	
E3.3	MS,DPe	Discuss Touring Speaker arrangements at CCMC January meeting.	
E3.4	AS	Explore logistics for new signing authorities	
E3.5	KS	Acknowledge to Harinder Ahluwalia reception of IFMS funding request, and aks for clarification of cited CMOS commitment	
E3.6	GG	Get a full update on the status of the software update contract with Olatech.	

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## Attachment 13 – Outstanding Action Items from CMOS Exec-3 (Year is 2019-20 unless specified)

62.4	15/55	De la destrat CNACC Constitue d'Autre	Character 1th 52 and a state
C2.1	AS/GG	Review draft of CMOS Operational Policy with comments and present to Exec_3	Closed with E3 approval
C2.2	MS	Acknowledge AMOS proposal for a joint statement	Closed by KS. Now
C2.2	IVIS	on the recently released IPCC Special Report on	awaiting SciCom response.
		Oceans and Cryosphere	awaiting scicom response.
C2.3	MS/KS	Write to ECCC/DFO suggesting encouragement of	Status: KS drafted letter,
C2.3	ועוט/ ועט	local conference attendance.	sent it to LOC/SPC chairs
		local conference attendance.	for feedback and to
			confirm addressees.
E2.3	DS	Discuss with Taylor & Francis the implementation	Awaiting response from
L2.3	D3	of the publication sharing process in the proposed	T&F
		MOU with the Royal Meteorological Society.	181
E2.4	KS	Discuss draft CMOS Membership Code of Conduct	Drafting covering letter
L2. <del>7</del>	KS	with CCMC.	for circulation to
		With Celvic.	membership.
E2.5	Exec	Consider possible sponsors for CMOS participation	Status: closed. KS revised
L2.3	LACC	in Project Atmosphere.	the two-pager slightly
		in Project Atmosphere.	based on Exec feedback
			and sent it to Denis to
			circulate to potential
			sponsors.
E2.7	GG	Take lead in collection of bios of CMOS Councillors	Progress. Lead with GG.
L2.7	00	for posting on CMOS website.	6 of 14 received
C1.4	KS/SC	Review AMOS Position Statement on International	Status: awaiting response
02.4	113/30	Cooperation and Data Sharing Agenda and	from SciCom.
		recommend re. endorsement.	
C.1.7	GG	Seek legal advice re. implications of adopting a	Postponed at E2. See E2.4
5.2		membership code of conduct.	. ostponed at EE see EE.
E1.3	GG	Update CMOS reference about its charitable status	Open
		on CRA website when annual report on CMOS	
		charitable status is done (spring 2020).	
2018-	Exec	With respect to the impact of waiving student	Open
19AGM.2		membership fees since 2017, it was recommended	
		to collect two more years of data to better inform a	
		decision on whether or not to continue to waive	
		the student membership fee. (Executive	
		Committee).	
2018-19E7.2	GG,PK	GG and PK to investigate a hardship fund to support	Open. PK reviewed new
	. = ,	members' dues payments, based on donations to	AMS dues at C2.
		CMOS.	
2018-19E5.3	Cor.Sec.	Ensure the application form includes request for	Issue considered to be
		contact information of the student applicant's	closed.
		supervisor/program advisor.	
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2018-19E3.3	GG	Conduct a review of the three existing MOUs (RMS, AMS and CGU) will be done to ensure they are kept current and that members of each society can take advantage of the intent of the MOUs with ease. (for example, easily obtaining associate	In works. RMS renewal approved at C-2
		membership with the other societies.)	
2018-19E2.4	GG,AM	GG to prepare a support paper for a CMOS Green Initiative, and to discuss with AM. A proposal paper will be drafted for the next Executive Committee meeting, using the Global Reporting Initiative. 15-Nov – GG recommended to have GG and 1-2 Council members assume task.	Open. No action in prospect.