CMOS Executive Committee 2020-21 Meeting #3 2020-12-10

Procès-verbal du Comité exécutif de la SCMO 2020-21 Réunion #3 10-12-2020

Minutes

Thursday, 10-Dec-2020, 12 pm EDT

Attending/ présent :

President	Marek Stastna (MS)	٧	Past Pres.	Kim Strong (KS)	٧
Vice-Pres.	Jim Abraham (JA)	٧	Exec Dir	Gordon Griffith (GG)	٧
Treasurer	Amir Shabbar (AS)	٧	Dir. Pub.	Douw Steyn (DS)	٧
Cor. Sec.	Diane Pendlebury (DPe)	٧	Congress 2021	Dave Fissel (DF)	٧
Rec. Sec.	Alexandre Audette (AA)	٧	Congress 2022	Yanping Li (YL)	٧

Attachments to Minutes/Pièces jointes

1	The State of CMOS Scholarships		Cycle of Activities – Oct-December
2	2 The CMOS Strategic Plan Consultation		Executive and LAC Reports
	Process		

Acronyms Used:

CMOS-CCMC	CMOS Centre Chair and Membership Committee
PECC	Planetary Exploration Consultation Committee (Canadian Space Agency)
SPEC	CMOS School and Public Education Committee
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
DFO	Dept of Fisheries and Oceans
NSERC	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada

1.	Approval of Agenda / Adoption de l'ordre du jour. (MS) KS moved, AS seconded. Carried.				
2.	Review of minutes from Executive Committee meeting #2 JA moved, DPe seconded. Carried.				
3.	Update on the CMOS Congress/mise à jour sur le congrès de SCMO				
3(a)	Victoria Congress (DF)				
	See attachment 3a for details.				
	 Learning on how online meetings are working by attending to different meetings in December. 				
	Seems like the Arctic Change meeting is a good starting point for Victoria 2021.				
	Lots of work will have to be put into organizing the labour aspect of the meeting.				
	Typical schedule: late morning ET until 5PM ET.				
	AS: Expenditures question – "Previous in-person meetings costs" DF: Initial deposits already paid about 1 year ago. Looking into possible reimbursement.				
	MS: We should increase the coop student remuneration (6K to 9K maybe). DF: The 6K was the net counting the subsidies.				

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3(b)	CMOS/CGU 2022 Saskatoon Congress (YL) – Most serious discussions will take place in
	January when we know more about the distribution of the vaccine.
4	Tour Speaker / conférencier (DPe)
	Contacted Katja to do a scientific talk and a public lecture + Q&A session.
	See attachment 7f section 4 for more details.
	Biggest challenge will be advertising the public lecture.
5.	CMOS Strategic Planning exercise (MS)
	See attachment 5a,5b and 5c
	External review of the governance of CMOS: Institute of governance (IOG) (See att. 5c for
	details about how)
	IOG goal: help non-profit organizations to improve their governance.
	MS: Important because we are an aging organization that depends a lot on voluntary
	work.
	IOG charges \$9,960.00 for this review.
	GG: Asks to increase our relief loan from the government from \$40K to \$60K (keeping)
	\$20K now instead of \$10K). AS: Pretty good deal
	JA: This is part of the overall strategic plan. We are doing this thoroughly.
	JA: Motion: CMOS authorizes the contract with IOG for the \$9,960.00. DPe seconded.
	Motion carries.
6.	CMOS Website and Olatech contract (MS)
	New website rolled out.
	Olatech contract ends in May.
	Unhappiness about the website has to be directed to both CMOS and the tech company.
	Website should continue to get better. The French version is improving and being worked
	on. Olatech hopes to have it back online on Friday or at least next Monday.
	DPe: Comment on Website – No pictures, not very exciting to look at. More could be done
	with the visual impact.
	MS will lead a review of CMOS technical needs in the coming months. (Action item.)
7.	Executive reports
7(a)	President/Président MS : -
	See attachment 7a for details.
	• We can increase the number of some scholarships without any issues with the by-laws. MS
	proposes to increase the Tertia Hughes awards to 4. (JA moves, DPe seconds, Carries.)
	Scientific committee co-chair has resigned. We need to rethink what Sci. Comm. does and
	how to make sure it is active.
	Bulletin editor has resigned. Pressing matter. DS: Return to the other candidates that got
	interviews last year? They were outstanding and were not rejected due to lack of skills.
	Motion: Executive support the director of publications to reach to the previous two other
	candidates for bulletin editor. (DPe moved, JA seconded. <i>Carries</i> .)
	JA: A newsletter would be of great interest to the members.
	DS: We need a Bulletin editor that has knowledge of the society, or else the learning curve
	will be really steep.
7(b)	Vice President/Vice-président JA :
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	the cycle of activity to familiarize with the deadlines. See attachment 9 for details.					
	Lot of deadlines coming up before the next Executive meeting. DPe invites all exec to look at					
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			fethics in our publications.			
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7(h)		of publications DS:				
7(g)		sident / Presidente s chment 7g.	sortante KS: (Had to leave early).			
7/~\			moved, DS seconded. (Carries.)			
	See atta	chment 7f for details.				
7(f)	Correspo	onding Secretary/ Se	crétaire correspondante DPe			
7(e)		g Secretary AA - No	-			
	000 000		e because we have less expenses.			
7(d)	Treasurer AS: See attachment 7d for details.					
7/-1\	Website updates are more detailed in att. 7c.					
	See attachment 7c for details.					
7(c)	Executive Director GG –					
	working. GG: Letter of agreement drafted between the WMO and CMOS for the group registration (\$20K)					
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Attachment 12: New Action Items from CMOS Executive 3

C3.6	MS	Lead a review of CMOS technical needs in the coming months.	Open.	
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Attachment 13: Outstanding Action Items (Year is 2020-21 unless specified)

C2.4b	MS	By Council meeting C3, present a proposal on how the online 2023 Congress organization will work.	Open.
C2.4b	JA	Raise the idea of a coalition of smaller centers organizing the 2023 congress to Centre Chairs and Membership Committee.	Open.
E2.1	MS	Get more details on the new scholarships for the next executive meeting and will report at the next Council meeting as well.	Reported on at C2.8
E2.2	MS	Bring the results of the member survey on the strategic plan to the February Executive meeting.	Open
E2.3	MS	Discuss with JA (and KS) to get ideas for an external consultation on our structure and way of functioning. Bring this to executive committee before council.	Open.
C1.1	MS, JA, GG	Come up with specific ideas and guidelines to get a consent agenda for each meeting and will report back at the next Council meeting.	Open
C1.2	MS, GG	Post-mortem on who did and did not have a tour speaker.	Open.
C1.3	MS, GG	Obtain ARRCU budget information and actual spendings.	Open.
E1.1	AS	Contact Delta Ottawa for the 2020 congress venue refund of \$20K deposit.	Updated on C2.10d. Open.
2019-	MS	Ensure that Council completes the development of a	Open
20AGM.1		management process for the CMOS Members' Code of Conduct by the end of calendar year 2020, for presentation to the 2021 AGM.	
2019-	Fellows	Review and rationalize the Fellow category and	
20AGM.2	Committee	recommend any changes to Council and subsequently the AGM, with legal review if deemed necessary. ().	
2019-	KS, MS	Complete assessment of virtual Congress for inclusion	
20C5.1		in the official Congress report.	
2019-	GG	GG to clarify items included in "Bulletin Renewal-	
20C5.2		Online" Congress	
2019- 20E5.2	BA	Ottawa LAC to submit cost proposal for Ottawa Plenary session to Council	Open
2019- 20C4.2	GG	Discuss with Olatech required changes to website re donations.	Open
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2019-	GG/AS	Explore logistics and costs of suggested new Signing	CIBC Forms being
20C3.7		Authority Procedure and report to Exec	signed
2019-	GG	Consider wording for a multi-year or stronger	Open
20C3.1		automatic renewal arrangement for future personal	
		service contracts.	
2019-	GG	Take lead in collection of bios of CMOS Councillors for	Progress. Lead with
20E2.7		posting on CMOS website.	GG
			Missing: Tim, Clark,
			Diane, Felicia and
			Laura
2019-	GG	Update CMOS reference about its charitable status on	Open. Discussed at
20E1.3		CRA website when annual report on CMOS charitable	E4
		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-	GG	Conduct a review of the three existing MOUs (RMS,	Update at C4:
19E3.3		AMS and CGU) will be done to ensure they are kept	RMS – awaiting
		current and that members of each society can take	return of signed
		advantage of the intent of the MOUs with ease. (for	version from RMS
		example, easily obtaining associate membership with	AMS – done and
		the other societies.)	posted on website
			CGU – under review
			AMOS – done and
			posted.