CMOS Executive Committee 2021-2022 Meeting #1 2021-08-31 Procès-verbal du comité exécutif de la SCMO 2021-2022 Réunion #1 31-08-2021

Minutes Tuesday, 31-August-2021, 2 pm EDT

Attendance:

President	Jim Abraham (JA)	V	Past Pres.	Marek Stastna (MS)	V
Vice-Pres.	Serge Desjardins (SD)	V	Exec Dir	Gordon Griffith (GG)	
Treasurer	Jinyu Sheng (JS)	V	Dir. Pub.	Douw Steyn (DS)	Х
Councillor	Abdoulaye Harou (AH)	V			
Councillor	Emily MacPherson (EM)	Х			

Agenda & Attachments

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Attachments to Minutes

Acronyms Used:

CMOS-CCMC	CMOS Centre Chair and Membership Committee
SPEC	CMOS School and Public Education Committee
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
DFO	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
NSERC	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada

1. Approval of Agenda

2. New Councillor Orientation

(GG) provided an overview of the following:

- CMOS Not-for-Profit and Registered Charity
- CMOS National Office
- Centres
- Standing Committees
- Partners

3. Strategic Plan – Objectives and Implementation Plan (JA)

(JA) described the process that was followed to update the Strategic Plan 2021-2024. The main difference between this strategic plan and the previous 2017-2020 was that an annual implementation plan will be developed for each year of the strategic plan. The strategic objectives include:

- **Governance and Membership:** Modernize the Society's governance and business processes to better support members.
- **Scientific Excellence:** Promote discovery in the CMOS scientific disciplines in order to benefit Canadian Society.
- Education and Outreach: Increase the scope of the Society's efforts in Education and Outreach, including the promotion of equity, diversity, and inclusivity.

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4. Discussion Topics (JA)

(JA) led a discussion to identify ideas of the Society that need immediate attention. These included:

- Replacing the Publications Director. Douw Steyn announced his resignation during the June 2021 Publications Committee meeting. The technical editor (Sheila Bourque) for Atmosphere-Ocean also needs to be replaced due to Sheila's resignation too.
- Developing a communications plan. This plan would include a media strategy, managing the social media networks, websites, all focused on sharing the sciences with CMOS members and the general public.
- Creating a CMOS electronic Newsletter. This newsletter would interface with the Bulletin and Bulletin website and the main CMOS website, highlighting new and current activities. (SD) is championing this initiative and will start the conversation with the Centre Chairs.

(JA) also briefly discussed the upcoming meeting schedule (below). The meeting cycle repeats every two months. First gathering input from the Centre Chairs and Membership Committee meetings to feed discussions at the Executive Committee meeting. The Council meetings follow each Executive Committee meeting two weeks later. The Council meeting format will include a Consent agenda to help streamline the meeting and use the allocated time more efficiently. (JA) also would like each Councillor to become a champion for at least one standing committee of Council and be able to report to Council on behalf of their committee.

5. Upcoming Meetings 2021-2022

Centre Chair & Membership Committee	Executive Committee	Council
Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
	August 31	
September 7	September 14	September 28
November 02	November 11	November 23
January 04	January 11	January 25
March 08	March 15	March 29
May 03	May 10	May 24
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6. **Adjournment** (Meeting adjourned)