La voix unifiée des Sciences de la Terre au Canada

CANADIAN FEDERATION OF EARTH SCIENCES / FEDERATION CANADIENNE DES SCIENCE DE LA TERRE

2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – DRAFT MINUTES

Saturday, November 19th, 2011

University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario

1. CALL TO ORDER: CHAIR: Bill Stiebel, PRESIDENT, CFES

"The Meeting will please come to order. With your approval, I shall ask Elisabeth Kosters, Executive Manager of the Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences, to act as Secretary for the Meeting."

"Notice of this Meeting has been duly served and I direct a copy of this notice to be retained by the Secretary with the records of this Meeting."

"There is a quorum present and, unless there is any objection, I propose to declare that this meeting is properly called and properly constituted for the transaction of business, and to proceed with the published Agenda."

"I will entertain a motion from the floor that we proceed with the published Agenda"

Motion: Rob Raeside. Seconded: Richard Moore.

PRESIDENT - "All those in favour of the motion, please raise your hand." All were in favour.

"I declare that the motion is CARRIED."

2. MINUTES OF THE 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PRESIDENT - "Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences, on Saturday, November 6th, 2010 in Ottawa have been circulated and are available from the Executive Manager. Unless there is objection, I propose to waive the reading



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of the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting." "Are there any errors or omissions in the Minutes?"

COMMENTS: there were none

PRESIDENT -

"If there are no further corrections, I will entertain a motion from the floor that the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences be adopted as circulated."

Motion: Pat Ryall, Seconder Godfrey Nowlan

PRESIDENT - "All those in favour of the motion, please raise your hand." All raised their hand.

"I declare that the motion is CARRIED."

PRESIDENT - "Are there matters arising from the Minutes that are not otherwise addressed in the posted Agenda?"

"If not, I propose to move to the next item."

3. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT - "The Directors and the Members have received the *President's Report – November 2011*: If there are no objections I shall regard the report as read."

The President comments that this has been a busy year although we have not achieved all our objectives. He acknowledges all outreach volunteers, the CanGeoRef team and the IGC2020 Bid team. The president stresses the importance of getting nominees for board positions from the constituency, specifically a president-elect, a communications director and an 'under 35' board member. The president thanks Treasurer Patrick Ryall.

"I direct the Secretary of this Meeting to append the President's Report – November 2011 to the Minutes of this Meeting, and/or to post it on the CFES Web Site"



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4. REPORT OF THE TREASURER (FINANCE DIRECTOR)

PRESIDENT - "The next item of business is the Report of the Treasurer"

Pat Ryall thanks the members of the Financial Review Committee for their efforts over the last two years. He subsequently discusses the financial review report.

There are a few questions. The entire council comments on the quality of the report. Bill Mercer moves that the audit committee gets a gift.

"If the membership agrees, the audited statements will be included as an appendix to the minutes of this report".

PRESIDENT:

"I will entertain a motion to accept the audited financial statements for 2010-2011 as presented by the Finance Director"

Motion: Iain Samson, Seconder: Charly Bank

PRESIDENT - "All those in favour of the motion, please raise your hand." All raised their hand. "I declare that the motion is <u>CARRIED</u>."

5. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE MANAGER

PRESIDENT - "The Directors and the Members have received the *Executive Manager's Report, November* 2011: If there are no objections I shall regard the report as read."

"I direct the Secretary of this Meeting to append Executive Manager's Report, November 2011 to the Minutes of this Meeting, and/or to post it on the CFES Web Site"

GAC would like to see a more expended justification of the time of the EM. The EM report will be revised and distributed.

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6. NOMINATIONS FOR 2011-2012

PRESIDENT -

"Pursuant to the By-Laws of the Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences, we have a current slate of Officers and Directors which are:

Current Directors:

President Bill Stiebel (2 year term, ending Nov 2012)

President Elect vacancy

Past President

Bill Mercer (2 year term, ending November 2012)

Finance Director

Patrick Ryall (3 year term ending Nov 2011)

International Director Andrée Blais-Stevens (3 year term ending Spring 2014)

Outreach Director Charly Bank (2 year term ending Spring 2013)
Director for CanGeoRef Carolyn Relf (3 year term ending Nov 2012)

Treasurer-elect Mary-Louise Byrne (3 year term ending Spring 2014)

Director of CNC-IYPE and Geoparks Godfrey Nowlan (3 year term ending Spring 2014)

Nominations and reconfirmation:

Treasurer Patrick Ryall has indicated that he is not eligible for another term. Treasurer-elect Mary-Louise Byrne is slated to take over this function.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: "I will entertain a motion to elect Mary-Louise Byrne as Treasurer of the Board of CFES"

Motion: Peter Bobrowsky, Seconded: Godfrey Nowlan

PRESIDENT - "All those in favour of the motion, please raise your hand.". All raised their hand. "I declare that the motion is <u>CARRIED</u>."

PRESIDENT -"I will now request a motion that the Secretary cast a single ballot for the affirmation of the election of the complete slate of Directors and Officers just named, to hold office as described."

Motion: Bill Mercer, Seconder: Peter Bobrowksy.



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PRESIDENT - "All those in favour of the motion, please raise your hand." All raised their hand.

"I declare that the motion is CARRIED and that those named in the Slate of nominated Officers and Directors be duly elected, to hold office until the end of their terms as outlined in the Bylaws."

PRESIDENT: "I would like to acknowledge the outstanding service of Patrick Ryall to CFES."

"There is one vacancy at present. The Board of Directors of CFES is presently seeking nominations for President Elect"

8. UNIFINISHED BUSINESS

PRESIDENT -"Is there any unfinished business to be raised before this assembly?"

Pat Ryall mentions that he is 1 of 3 people who have signing authorities for cheques. CFES will be transferring signing authority to Mary Lou Byrne. Pat Ryall asks the council to approve that he still signs cheques for accounts payable during the transfer period.

Bill Mercer moves, Iain Samson seconds. The motion is carried unanimously.

There is a discussion on the budget as presented during the May 2011 Council meeting in Calgary as requested by Peter Bobrowsky (GAC), specifically on the expenditure for the executive manager. There is a discussion on how to interpret the minutes of the council meeting in Calgary. It was not planned to discuss the budget at this time in the year.

Peter Bobrowsky would like to move that the budget attached to the agenda in the Fall meeting. There is no vote on this motion.



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9. NEW BUSINESS

PRESIDENT -"Are there any items of New Business to be raised before this assembly?"

10. NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PRESIDENT - "The next Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Earth Sciences will be convened in the Fall of 2012, at a time and place to be selected by the President, with due notice to be provided to Members and Directors in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Bill Mercer

PRESIDENT - "I declare that the motion is CARRIED. This AGM is now closed."