



Canadian Section of The Wildlife Society

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Date and Time : Friday, April 17, 2015, 3 pm, EDT (12 :00 PDT,
1:00 MDT, 2:00 CDT)

Meeting called to order at 15 :02 EDT

- **Roll Call (Mark)**

Present	
Affiliation(s)	Name(s)
CSTWS President	Mark Boyce
CSTWS Past-President	Darren Sleep
CSTWS President-Elect	Dee Patriquin
Section Rep to TWS Council	Art Rodgers
CSTWS Secretary-Treasurer	Matt Dyson
Student Representative	Kristin Denryter
Conservation Committee Chair	Jim Allen
Manitoba Chapter President	Stephen Petersen

Regrets	
Affiliation(s)	Name(s)
CSTWS Vice-President	Laura Trout
TWS Section Coordinator	Mariah Simmons
TWS 2015 Conference Arrangement Co-Chair	Merlin Shoemith
Alberta Chapter President	Jason Fisher
British Columbia Chapter President	Michel Lavalee
Ontario Chapter President	Neil Dawson
Saskatchewan Chapter President	Tom Perry
Education Committee Chair	Meagan Hainstock
Awards Committee Chair	Evelyn Merrill

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- **Review of Agenda (Mark)**

Motion to approve by Darren, Seconded by Stephen, Approved

- **Minutes of last meeting (Matt)**

Motion to approve by Matt, Seconded by Darren, Approved

Updates:

- **Conservation Affairs Network (Jim)**

Two conference calls this winter, minutes being forwarded to Mark as they come in. Each chapter has a conservation affairs committee and reports to section chair, only 2 provinces have conservation affairs committees.

Letters recently sent to premiers of Sask and Manitoba regarding lands donated to provinces from Federal government. Have received a response.

Have sent letters representing CSTWS supporting TWS issue statement on disease transmission between domestic and bighorn sheep to Alberta and BC.

Darren: *Should these letters be circulated to the entire exec?*

Consensus: *Yes, should be shared with the executive before being sent.*

Stephen: *Manitoba has a CAF and who should be signing/co-signing these letters?*

Art : *Communication and information sharing important outcome of sharing letters with entire executive.*

- **Finances and Membership (Matt)**

CSTWS Accounts

Account	Balance
Paypal	\$ 224.55
Chequings	\$ 10,218.05
Savings	\$ 5,005.04
Accounts Receivable	0
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,396.25
Total	\$ 12,051.39

Memberships 272

AGM Balance Sheet

Expenses

Hall	\$ 3,296.25
DS Expenses	\$ 308.36
Student Awards	\$ 200.00
Room Rental (Quiz Bowl)	\$ 570.00
Liquor Permit and Alcohol	\$ 481.99
Van	\$ 492.55
Bartender	\$ 50.00
Nametags	\$ 100.00
	\$ 5,499.15

Revenue

Registration (CSTWS AGM)	\$ 4,915.00
Registration (Conclave)	\$ 325.00
Sponsorship - TWS (Received)	\$ 500.00
Sponsorship - TWS (Expected)	\$ 500.00
Alcohol Sales (Conclave)	\$ 300.00
	\$ 6,540.00
Income	\$ 1,040.85

- **News from TWS**
 - **Headquarters (Mariah) - Regrets**
 - **Board (Art)**
- *Not a lot going on since the mid-year council meetings*
- *Recommendations coming in for new Editor In Chief for JWM and WSB, has been a submission for JWM*
- *TWS is financially back on track, funding is rebuilding.*
- *Couple of staffing changes with respect to marketing*
- *Largely getting ready for the conference in October*
- **Saskatoon Meeting (Darren)**

Meeting was a great success, along with the collaboration after. We had very little sponsorship on this meeting, however, we still came out in the black. Thanks to the Saskatoon folks for organizing a great event.

The meeting has been featured on the TWS Website as of today!

ACTION: Darren and Matt to figure out revenue sharing

- **Winnipeg 2015 (Merlin, Mark, Art)**

Art is chairing the symposia and workshop committee. We have accepted and recommended 21 symposia on a wide range of topics. We also have 14 workshops with a wide range of topics. There was a conference call a few days ago for a second plenary on the conservation of NAs Boreal Forest. It was recommended that planners contact Darren. Field Trips have been sorted out for polar bear viewing, pre is for students, post is for professionals. Fundraising is on target.

The program is also on target, deadline for contributed papers is the 24th of April. Brent Patterson is the chair of the review. The deadline for Student Work In Progress is in June 18.

The Alberta Chapter has donated \$1000 to the fundraising challenge for Winnipeg 2015.

We should send out a proposal for a Canadian Section Reception soon

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- **Venue for CSTWS, March 2016 (Matt)**

Matt: Waiting to hear from ON chapter on status of their executive

- **Educational Webinars (Meagan) - Regrets**
- **Canadian Clips (Rachel) - Regrets**
- **Awards, announce student travel awards! (Evie) – Regrets**

We need to announce the travel awards.

ACTION: Darren to put together an announcement, and to be distributed in the Newsletter and Website.

- **TWS Monthly Activity Reports (Art)**

Chapter Updates:

- **BC (Michel) - Tabled**

- **Alberta (Jason) - Regrets**
- **Saskatchewan (Tom) - Tabled**
- **Manitoba (Stephen)**

Recently had AGM, where the new slate of execs was voted in including a few new faces. First meeting to occur over the next couple of weeks. Contributing to TWS 2015, but also trying to increase Membership benefits including a necropsy workshop and a bird banding workshop (professional development). University of Winnipeg has started a student chapter.

ACTION: If anyone can share examples of PD workshops that would be great.
ACTION: Stephen to contact Student Chapter President to contact Kristin and Matt

- **Ontario (Neil) - Tabled**
- **Student Chapters (Kristin)**

Trying to improve student chapter communications. Trying to get good rep from student chapters at quiz bowls. Trying to encourage student chapters to fundraise, etc.

ACTION: Dee to connect Kristin with ACTWS student coordinator

Old Business

No old business to discuss.

ACTION: Matt to send out doodle poll for next meeting time

Motion to adjourn Stephen, Seconded Dee, Approved

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM EST