

Minutes of the Meeting of the Canadian Society of Hydrological Sciences

February 25, 2010 10:00 PST
 By Teleconference

Participants: David Hutchinson (DH), Chris Spence (CS), Frank Weber (FW), Andre St-Hilaire (AS), Bruce Davison (BD), Eric Blais (EB), Russ Boals (RB)

Absent:

Summary:

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 For:*

1. Approval of January 7 minutes

Approved.

2. Old Business

Hydrology Short-Course

- Lead: CS.
- Course is overfull (41 people have registered).
- Alberta Water Institute sponsorship uncertain, but budget will likely be balanced regardless.
- The question came up whether travel costs for speakers will be covered, but nobody knew. CS
- Participant will be canvassed for interest in participation in the CSHS executive and specifically, the secretary and Member-at-Large position. CS

Water Availability Indicators

- Lead: AS.
- The project is slowly moving through EC.
- A workshop is planned for March.
- At the January 7 meeting it was decided to move this item to the Watch List.

Canada Water Strategy

- Lead: AS.
- The strategy was discussed at the CWRA directors' meeting.
- Agencies have been targeted to promote the strategy



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Mid-term directors meeting

- Lead: CS.
- CS reported from the meeting, which was generally uneventful from a CSHS perspective, but CWRA directors were enthusiastic about the Hydrology short-course

2010 CWRA national conference – CSHS sessions

- Lead: DH.
- The CSHS AGM will be Thursday morning (June 17th)
- CSHS might host one breakfast (7-8:30 am), which entails upgrading the regular breakfast. Get a quote for the upgrade. DH
- Bill Stolte Award
 - Confirm the committee for the Bill Stolte Award CS?
 - Develop TOR for Bill Stolte Award DH
 - Announce the award via CWRA distribution list and webpage
 - It was recognized that the communication to students has been ineffective in the past.
- FW to pursue a CSHS sponsored session on 'Hydrologic Modeling & Forecasting', which entails
 - Chairing the session and advertising the CSHS (with Sean Fleming) FW & SF
 - Hang up the CSHS poster in the room FW
 - Having the CSHS name appear in the session title FW

Slate of nominations for new CSHS executive

- Lead: CS.
- President: Dave
- Vice-president: FW was suggested. He will get back to the executive whether he will accept the position. FW
- Secretary: Sean Fleming was suggested. Frank will ask Sean. FW
- Members-at-Large:
 - Daniel Casey was suggested. Andre will contact Daniel AS
 - Andre will remain Member-at-Large; he will be on a 6-month sabbatical and is touted as future national CWRA president (?)
 - Eric will step out as Member-at-Large
 - Chris will remain Member-at-Large as past president

PUB Workshop on Intermittent Streams

- Lead: CS.
- Scheduled for 3rd week in February 2011 in Drumheller. Alternative locations were discussed, such as Okanogan, Waterton Lakes and Cypress Hills.
- Hotel is tentatively booked
- Next step is to arrange sponsorship for the event
- Organizing committee: Paul Whitfield, Daniel Peters, Chris Spence, Ilia Van Trump, Emily Huckster.

2010 Recipient of Outstanding Achievement Award (formerly known as 'Lifetime Award')

- Lead: DH.
- Since the conference is held in BC, it will be awarded to a BC hydrologist.

	<i>Action For:</i>
o TOR were accepted	
o It was decided to canvas the profession for nomination letters. Dave will design a nomination form for entering name, reasons (eligibility criteria) and calls for letters of reference.	DH
o Once the form has been designed, announce the award via <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BC CSHS distribution list ▪ CWRA distribution list ▪ CSHS webpage 	FW CS CS

3. New Business

None

4. Watch List

No news

Model Intercomparison Project

- o Lead: FW, AS

NRCAN National Water Atlas

- o Lead: Gord Bell.

CSHS communications committee representative

- o Lead: RB.

Manning's n textbook

- o Lead: none (TBD when WSC decides to go ahead)

State of the profession in Canada

- o Lead: BD

National assessment of the training of Canadian human resources in water resource specialization for WSC

- o Lead: CS.

5. Other

N/a

6. Next Meeting

March 23, 2010.

Submitted by: Frank Weber, CSHS Secretary, on March 12, 2010