



Board Meeting Minutes
1:00-2:30 PM EST, Wednesday, Feb 4, 2009
Via conference call

Participants: Bas Oosenbrug, Chair
(Regrets) John Vandall, Treasurer
John Meikle, Director
Karen Beazley, Director
Mark Richardson, Secretariat
Robert Hélie, Secretary
Joyce Gould, Director

David MacKinnon, Vice Chair
Marc Johnson, Associate Director
Jacques Perron, Director
Siân French, Director
Tom Beechey, Associate Director

Visiting: Rob Vanderkam, EC CCEA rep

1. **Review the Agenda**
(items added)

2. **Administration**
a) **Financial Update**

- expenditures for the CCEA web site and Libby's on-call work and annual stipend have been paid
- Board approved the establishment of a savings account with ING for ease of access (online)
- Board approved the transfer of ~\$60,000 from chequing to savings account for accumulation of additional interest (amount is an estimate of what is not needed for ongoing operations)

ACTIONS

- John V. will clarify with Jacques that that appropriate thanks are given for the cheque received from DUC/Boreal Initiative.

3. **Projects**
a) **Strategic Plan Workshop Review/Overview**

ACTIONS

- Jacques will review and comment on the workshop draft output with a focus on the third priority as time allows and send to Bas or Robert

b) **Strategic Plan Path Ahead**

ACTIONS

- Bas will reformat the document to match with Heritage Rivers Strategy document
- additional edits will be coordinated by Bas with individual sections (additional text to accompany current bullets) to be written by various members as follows:
 - Planning – Rob V. and Karen B.
 - Management – John V.
 - IM/Reporting – Rob V. and consult with Jacques regarding IUCN alignment
 - Partnerships – Bas

- Education – Robert H.

Bas will provide a new draft for this work by February 12. Writing should be done by the end of February so that a final form can be completed by the end of March. We want to share the final document with SAMPAA and CPC etc in April.

c) **AGM Coordination**

2009

- Bas spoke to Rob David from ON who said he was interested in the idea of a workshop of some kind on freshwater classification issues. He was willing to provide a venue in Peterborough in early October but had no capacity to plan or organise it. He will discuss with his staff and provide us with a more accurate response.

ACTIONS

- we need to have internal discussions regarding hitching that to the 2009 AGM.
- once that is sorted out, we need to respond to Yvonne Beaubien in MB regarding her invitation to have us coordinate our AGM at the 2010 species at risk(?) conference.

2010

- Joyce reported on her conversation with Mark Boyce(?) of SCB re their 2010 Edmonton AGM. Symposia ideas will be welcome this fall but speaker suggestions should wait until later.

ACTIONS

- Joyce will continue talks with SCB as we sort out our own options over time.

ACTIONS

- Bas will inform Sian F. and Dave M. about our conclusions with respect to sharing a conference and/or workshops and the potential conflict between the 2010 SCB conference and the proposed 2010 SAMPAA conference. One of them will then be tasked with passing this info along to SAMPAA.

d) **SAMPAA**

- a new Executive Director is expected soon

ACTIONS

- Bas will inform SAMPAA that more discussion is needed regarding the 3 year conference, that we like the idea of shared odd-year workshops, and that we see a conflict between the SAMPAA 2010 (mentioned above)

e) **CARTS Update**

n/a – covered at previous week's face-to-face

(discussion results will be integrated into next version of strategic plan)