

Society for Conservation Biology,  
Kingston Chapter Meeting Minutes  
Start Time- 2:30

**Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011**

**Education & Programs committee**

- Boys and girls club- 4 to 8 years old, upcoming Mondays or Thursdays

**Sustainability committee**

- Get outside by the end of this week to clear up the gardens

**Issues committee**

- Over fishing and fish farms- potential to have a future without fish by 2048 (species collapsed)
  - Due to consumers innocently buying fish, research, and fisherman breaking quotas to fish illegally
  - Not fishing sustainably but fishing above the capacity of allowed fishing
  - SOLUTIONS: international agreement, catch limit below what would keep a stable population, marine reserves, fish farming? (Pros vs. Cons)
- What can you do? Make more sustainable seafood choices, claim your piece of ocean, bring in pamphlets
- End of line discussion- raw sea; potential to bring in speaker from California or UK
- When fish are overfished, prey end up growing rapidly such as jellyfish, shrimp and rays- changes the whole ecosystem balance
- Bring in speaker in January- William Montevicchi, professor at Newfoundland who researches oil pollution and oil spill in Mexico
- Emailed Frank Wolf, who created *On the Line* documentary... for input on our letter to the review panel for pipeline across Canada issue and links to watch documentary online/showings in Kingston- beginning of next term- documentary showing event with other groups, donations?
- 327 signatures from turtle petition
- Feature creatures- bythotrephes 'water flea'; large impact on zooplankton communities; ecological effects of their invasion

**Photo contest committee**

- Med photo, in Etherington hall??- look at more options to print photos because the samples were small and on different paper than what we had last year, quality issues
- Keep it under a \$100
- Sell the cards for three days this week (wed, thur, fri) and three days next week?
- Submission dates for photo contest- beginning mid January and end beginning of march

End of meeting.  
End time- 3:22

