

Society for Conservation Biology  
Kingston chapter  
Meeting Minutes  
Start Time- 1:35 PM

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012**

**LAST MEETING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR**

**ELECTIONS:**

**Vice President Candidates-** Meagan King and Peter Lee

**Presidential Candidates-** Celina Willis and Meera Manghani

- Conference call on the 18<sup>th</sup>- 8pm

**Advertising committee**

Biodiversity day

- Send letter to radio stations - make an event broadcast
- Posters, put up around community – next week
- Contact elementary schools- blurb in newsletters

**Education & Programs committee**

- Biodiversity day: Steve the flying squirrel guy (\$600) and ray's reptile zoo ( just under \$300)
    - Funding not a 100 percent guaranteed, so dependent on getting the grant money, both are scheduled to come
  - School gardening project- follow up with the school we did last fall
    - But if we don't do it this year can we use the funding allotted to this for biodiversity day?
- Motion: Spend up to \$300 dollars for biodiversity day- everyone voted YES
- Match it with environmental studies and bio department
- 7 and 8 groups will be presenting on biodiversity day from biology 422  
And 5-6 groups from community

**Issues committee**

- Individually register for Hearthmakers clean up project on April 27<sup>th</sup> ( refer to last week minutes for more information)
- Earth Hour, last Saturday results- Toronto star article- 6.8% drop in power usage for that hour
- Turtle project- summer planning, apply for grants/funding to hire a summer student and purchase equipment (KEYS & city funding)
  - Possibility to combine this job with the garden job? Six sites for turtle project, hour to do the entire circuit just driving and 30-45 min at each site to do the monitoring
  - Garden only needs watering once a week, before 10 am & pulling weeds. However the turtle monitoring is also done in the morning
  - Monitoring until end of July, so remaining of summer can be dedicated to gardening

- 7 weeks, 30 hours a week
- \$30 dollars a week from budget to pay for gas to get to Collins Bay site
  
- Start monitoring end of April-Garden is June & July
- Will have to consider all the safety guidelines and provisions in order to hire an employee and post a job (animal care)

End of meeting- 2:50 pm