

Society for Conservation Biology
Kingston chapter
Meeting Minutes
Start Time- 1:30 pm

Jan 31st, 2012

Social committee

- Introduction SCB slide show for new members
- QUBS award- undergrad biology website, works in conjunction with SWEP for the summer
- February movie night, before reading week?

Education & Programs committee

- Biodiversity Day- Earth Day , we have booked room 1101 and the biosci atrium
 - Contacted the cataraqui conservation centre, eco adventure camp, flying squirrel guy, group radical, let's talk science...etc for people to come present throughout the day

Issues committee

- Proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipeline and Tanker Routes
 - 5.5 billion dollar project
 - Transport bitumen from Alberta's oil sands to Kitimat BC to be refined in Asia
 - Currently in regulatory review process (national energy board and environmental board) , public hearings are also being held
 - Gov says that it will be a 72 billion loss over 9 years if we don't build the pipe
- March 8th speaker (Bill M.) , chronic effects of oil pollution, see past weekly minutes for further information
- On the Line documentary fundraiser night, week before March 8th speaker, sustainable munchies?
- Feature Creature: western gray whale
 - Two populations, eastern (btw Alaska & Mexico)/western (Eastern Russia)
 - Interested in Migration Routes for conservation purposes/ breeding grounds
 - However the western population is on the brink of extinction

Photo contest committee

- March 12th -16th, first set of posters printed, spelling mistakes so should we still put it up? And needs clarification on submission policies... possibility of covering it up with a sticker and posting the correct information online
- Send out volunteering sheet for help to put the posters up and display set up
- Trial practice run to set up the display for the photo contest just in case we need to change the lay out

Finances

- New members- \$5 membership fee

End of meeting- 2:25 pm