

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

January 16th, 2013

General

- Introduction
- No Tar Sands in Kingston – January 26th Day of Action
- SWEP position for Turtle Project and Butterfly Garden summer 2013
- Turtle Project
 - Group in Kingston with a similar project, meeting with them on January 28th
- Queen's Water

Sustainability and Butterfly Garden

- Plants ready for Valentine's Day (a one day trip for a couple of hours)
- Butterfly garden – looking for people to take over the project for next year.

Social Committee

- Movie night, January 29th at 7pm, snacks to be provided, Facebook liking to determine movie
- Grad Club – January 16th, 2013 at 8:30pm

Education & Programs Committee

- Fish and Frogs
 - Strike prevents from entering the school
 - Different options/targets – Girl Scouts, Brownies, Girls Inc., YMC, private schools, Catholic schools

Issues Committee

- Conservation Wins of 2012!
 - Marine ecosystems in Australia – protected areas created
 - Recognizing that birds need fish as well
 - Ontario and Quebec 13.5 acres protected
 - Science based catch limits
 - Prevention of shark finning in certain areas
 - 100 million acres of protect lands in Grand Canyons
 - Countries taking pledges to protect vulnerable areas

Photo Contest Committee

- Cards selling was very successful, \$180.00
- March 4-8th for the Atrium for the photo contest

- Prizes have been collected
- Assemble judges, locate nature photographer to talk during the prize ceremony
- Speak with advertising, focus on community involvement as well as students

Advertising Committee

- Advertising for the movie and the photo contest

Feature Creature

- Malabar Giant Squirrel
 - Tails are longer than body weight, improves balance
 - Aboreal, year round breeding, build nests, dispersal of seeds through fecal matter
 - Only in India, deforestation

End of meeting- 3:12 PM