

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

## **March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

### **General**

- SWEF student was hired for the summer.

### **Sustainability and Butterfly Garden**

- Spring transplantation - Plants will be potted and then transplanted out to the butterfly garden for the spring.
- Biodiversity day – Mid- to Late April
  - A prof or graduate student, a guided bird tour with a natural history hike and emphasis on birding. Locations such as Lemoine Point or Cataraqui Conservation Area.
  - Pay or clean-up at Elbow Lake for prof/graduate student

### **Social Committee**

- A barbeque before the end of the semester.

### **Education & Programs Committee**

- Fish and Frogs – sending out letter to children’s community groups. Will be looking for volunteers after that.

### **Issues Committee**

- The Ivory Trade
  - Prime Minister of Thailand wishing to completely stop the ivory trade in her country.
  - How to protect the animals from the poachers, as well as protecting the people who prevent the poachers from poaching
  - Rhinos – poached for ornamental value of the shape, not to be altered for later sale.
  - Largest trading hubs are in Hong Kong and Africa
  - Linked to the extinction of elephants

### **Photo Contest Committee**

- Speaker on Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 6pm who is interested in nature photography and from the Kingston community (Biosci 1103). Prizes will be handed out at that time. Grad club afterwards for those interested.

### **Advertising Committee**

- Will place posters around the community for the Biodiversity Day

## **Feature Creature**

- None this week.

End of meeting- 3:06 PM