

Society for Conservation Biology  
Kingston Chapter  
Meeting Minutes  
Start Time- 11:35 AM

## **October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

### **General**

- Please pay the \$5 memberships fee
- Kingston Field Naturalist Group – Animal Rehabilitation Rm 1102 at 7:30 by Sue Meech
- Halloween bake sale in the Biosci atrium

### **Sustainability and Butterfly Garden**

- October 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> for the garden maintenance
- Schoolyard naturalization project – Sent Carol an e-mail
- User Education Plan – Lemoine Point Conservation Area
  - Willing to tailor it when SCB can participate

### **Social Committee**

- Little Cat Conservation Area Walk – November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm with the ENSC
- \$5 for the bus and entrance
- Will be back by 4:30pm

### **Education & Programs Committee**

- Which schools to contact about Fish and Frogs?
- November 23<sup>rd</sup> – World Fisheries Day – ENSC 307: Marine Issues will be speaking

### **Issues Committee**

- Who to send our petition to?
- Create our own petition sending it to the Premiere, showing that biologist/academics are concerned
- Decided which are the key points to include on the petition (CCD, loosing biodiversity and ecosystem function, food crops are pollinated).
- Anyone with ideas should e-mail SCB or place comments in the Facebook groups
- U of T petition for bees, maybe we can join there petition and maximize signatures

### **Photo Contest Committee**

- Continue to help other committees.

### **Feature Creature**

- Mexican Axolotl
  - Amphibian found in Southern Mexican the canals and wetlands
  - Habitat requires deep water and abundant vegetation
  - Critically engendered by IUCN; major threats are overharvesting (food and medicinal), pollution, desiccation of lakes and invasive species
  - Conservation actions – raising the profile of the lake through conservation and habitat restoration

End of meeting- 12:08 PM