

## Friends of the Ferguson Forest Centre Annual General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010      Start ::30 p.m.

Attendance				
Present = P; Absent = A				
Jim Beckett	P	Colleen Morris-Wilson	P	
Trevor Buck	A			
Sally Hamilton	P	<b>Guests/Advisors:</b>		
Linda Patchell	P	John Wilson (FFC)	P	
Josée Lavoie (newsletter)	A	Linda Tosin (ad hoc member)	P	
Katharine Church	A			

1. Colleen Morris-Wilson welcomed everyone, introduced the members of the board, acknowledged the great work of Mark Blaisdel and Virginia Bourget who resigned during the year. Katharine Church has agreed to become responsible for Trails; and Josee Lavoie has accepted the position of Secretary.
2. Colleen gave an overview of membership over the past year, which has stagnated. It was agreed that membership is one of the items to focus on for 2011. It was suggested that we approach St. Mike's teachers, who recommend that students use FFC. It was also suggested that we approach members of the various walking groups that use FFC. June 18<sup>th</sup> 2011 is set for the next membership drive.
3. Sally Hamilton presented the Financial Report, including fundraising activities and an overview of the trails work that has been done. Taking into consideration all outstanding commitments, our bank balance is \$925.47 as of October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.
4. John Wilson gave a short update on the Ferguson Forest Centre.
5. The Upcoming Calendar of Events was discussed and several changes were made. It was decided to move the Walks in the Woods to Sunday instead of Saturday, and to move the time to the afternoon, starting at 1:30 pm. The dates for Clean-Up days remain the same, but the time was changed to 10:30 to 1:30 pm. (Please note that Forest Fair has been changed to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, for this year only. I have moved the Walk in the Woods date to accommodate this change.) The new schedule is below and will also be set up on the web, with more details:
  - Winter Woodlot Conference: February 23, 2011
  - Earth Day: April 17th, 2011
  - Clean-up Day: April 30<sup>th</sup> 2011
  - Walk in the Woods: May 15th, 2011
  - Membership Drive: June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011
  - Dandelion Festival: FFFC will not participate this year
  - Canada Day: FFFC will not participate this year
  - Forest Fair: October 1st, 2011
  - Fall Walk in the Woods: September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011
  - Fall Clean-up Day: November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011

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6. Elections were held to confirm current board and/or seek any new members. All members of the board were acclaimed.
  - President – Colleen Morris-Wilson
  - Treasurer – Sally Hamilton
  - Secretary (Includes publishing the Newsletter) – Josee Lavoie
  - Director, Web development – Trevor Buck
  - Director- Trails & Communications – Katharine Church
  - Director at large- Jim Beckett
  - Director at large -Linda Patchell
  
7. Meeting closed at 9:00 pm. The next AGM will be held on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7:30 pm.