

FOSCR Meeting Minutes January 16, 2024 Virtual Meeting - Zoom

Attendees:

Ken Hall, Brenda Lorenz, Susan MacFarlane, Mike Moroney

Regrets:

Craig Griffiths, Gabriel Torres-Pulgarin, John Timar, Kris Lee, Terry Burrell, Vince Gagner

Meeting called to order by the Chair, Ken Hall at approximately 6:30 pm.

1. Opening remarks

 Ken explained that the primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss the letter dated January 8, 2024 addressed to the Directors of the Friends of the St. Clair River from Joel Johnson and Deb Trebics of the Wallaceburg Advisory Team for a Cleaner Habitat (WATCH), and to also decide on WATCH's request for funds from FOSCR for their website.

2. Response to Request by WATCH for Funds from FOSCR

- A discussion ensued with respect to the request from WATCH for \$300 to support the maintenance of their website, as the Board had not yet voted on the request.
- Mike advised that if the request was put to a vote, he would abstain since he did
 not feel that it was appropriate to be voting on such an issue when he is serving
 on FOSCR as the Remedial Action Plan Coordinator for the St. Clair River Area of
 Concern with the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority.
- It was questioned whether there was still a quorum to allow for a vote by the Board. Mike explained that the FOSCR By-Laws indicate that it is to be managed by a Board of up to 10 members, of whom 3 constitute a quorum, and therefore, a quorum would still exist if the matter was put to a vote.
- Moved by: Ken Hall

Seconded by: Brenda Lorenz

That FOSCR decline the request from WATCH for \$300 for maintenance of their website.

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3. Response to Request by WATCH to Meet with FOSCR

- The letter from WATCH is requesting a meeting with FOSCR so that they can discuss the concerns outlined in their letter.
- The Board discussed whether the request for a meeting should be granted or whether a written response would instead be the preferred approach.
- The Board discussed what should be in the letter of response, if that was the approach to be taken. There was agreement with the proposed content of the letter.
- Moved by: Ken Hall

Seconded by: Susan MacFarlane

That a letter instead be sent to WATCH, with the content agreed to by the Board, and signed by the Chair and Vice-Chair of FOSCR.

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4. Adjourn

Adjourned at 7:25 pm.