

London District Science Olympics

Notice of Meeting on Thursday 16 February 2012

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Grad Club Board Room Western

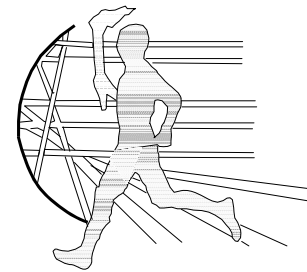
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<http://www.uwo.ca/sogs/gradclub/index.html>

To do good science.

To involve as many people as possible.

To have fun.



Thank you all for the time and energy that you commit to this wonderful enterprise.

Minutes

1. Introductions

a. Herm Vanderhayden, Kristy McConnell, Rhonda Milton, Lynn Watson-Lee, Sandy Zakaria Holtslag, Jenny Shaw, Tim Kwiatkowski., Joseph Turnbull, Terry Brown., Elizabeth Heinicke., Alexander De Sousa, Allison Hill, Esther Loney, Laura Reid., Caroline Whippey, Patrick Whippey,

2. **Regrets:** Al McIntyre, Patrick Cookson; Michelle Blais;

3. **Thank you** to Elizabeth Heinicke who is stepping down after many years as coordinator of the 'And This Little Pig' Event. She has been volunteering since 1995.

4. **Date of Science Olympics:** Thursday 24 May 2012.

5. **Financial Report** - Patrick Whippey. We have \$2537.25 in our bank account.

6. Review of events:

Pentathlon Nine

Chemical Capers - Jenny Shore: Fine. Move to Material Science Atrium?

Circuitous Circuits - Spencer Seiler Fine

Cryptic Crossword - Rhonda Milton & Christine Morris. Should be fine. Rhonda will email Christine

Ecology Jeopardy - Esther Loney Fine

Heavy Engineering - John Budge Have not heard from John yet. Patrick to follow up

Pentathlon Ten

Cryptic Word Search - Climate Change - Al McIntyre. This is Al's last year. Need someone to shadow, and to take over in 2013. Rhonda Milton will take this on. She will get in touch with Al. For last 2 years we have shaped it so it represents Climate change unit in gr. 10 syllabus

Models of Mitosis - Kristy McConnell. Two volunteers, please know mitosis.

INDYcator 500 - Richard Tamminga Patrick will follow up with Richard

Metric Madness - Patrick Cookson Fine

Star Wars - Mark Drabick Patrick will follow up with Mark.

Amazing Rodents - TBA. Todd will be on stand by. Could also use a volunteer.

And This Little Pig - Terry Brown; Need a replacement for Elizabeth Heinicke. Perhaps someone from Western? Elizabeth has passed "the binder" to Patrick. Patrick will follow up with Dan LeJoie to find the technician. Small meeting.

Compound Boggle - Herm Vanderhayden fine - undergrads. Two. Meet beforehand.

Need to add to the rules that we cannot double mark the first round, so occasionally there may be an error. Best markers are the teachers. Add in the rules and on website: Please could teacher stay for the first round to help mark. Email Herm if you are able. Ruth Tanner will take over

Compound Boggle if Herm steps down. Move to Western Science Centre 55.

Dante's Peek - David Sutherland. Patrick will follow up.

Displacement Dragster Paul Vejvoda

Double check with Paul. Patrick will follow up. Paul is on leave of absence from school.

Fermi Event - Ruth Tanner, Johanna Weissenborn (Centennial) Fine. Patrick to follow up

London Bridge - Tim Kwiatkowski Fine. Site has been revamped with better specifications

Function Deduction - Frank Tancredi Fine. Frank wants two volunteers

Mathematics Biathlon - Frank Tancredi.

Lightening Calculators - Frank Tancredi

ICUE- Frank Tancredi Fine

Mystery Solutions - Ken Yeung, Francois Lagugne-Labarthet, Sandra Zakaria Holtslag Fine.

Need to revise a little. Sandra will send updates to Patrick.

Robotic Event - Laura Reid Fine. Laura will be away on holidays, but will make sure there are two people running it.

Rube Goldberg - Ian Martin, Paul Webb, Madeline Merner. Fine. Patrick will follow up.

Objective is on the website

ExtraSolar Planets Fine. Potential changes coming. Best suited for grade nine. Is it worth making a change?

Taxonomy Spelling Bee - Michelle Blais Patrick will follow up.

Cup Stacking. Jim Wells He is thinking of putting in the Rubic's cube. We will do this.

Patrick will follow up with Jim to see if he can run it, or someone else.

7. Timetable - any changes?

And this little pig: had 18 teams, ran in three shifts of 6 teams each, which ran very close to time.

Need to get the pigs to loading dock by 2. Could do 2 groups of 9.

Could we replace Heavy engineering with Solar Systems for gr. 9 pentathlon, and open heavy engineering to older students. Patrick will contact John about this.

Jenny and Allison will communicate re: Solar Systems. Final deadline April 1 for rules.

When schools register, can specify what time slot you like.

We will have a deadline date (May 9). Additions will be made, but no changes (ie: in time slots).

8. Any other business.

Laura will hold MC 320 for us

We need to play with rooms for Chemical Capers. Visual arts 100? NCB 117? MC 320?

Kristy - wants volunteer early - 20/30 minutes

Crossword - two volunteers, 15 minutes early

Allison does not need any

Esther wants volunteer 10 minutes early.