

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MCILWRAITH
FIELD NATURALISTS OF LONDON ONTARIO INCORPORATED
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2014
CIVIC GARDEN COMPLEX, LONDON, ONTARIO**

1.0 Motions

1.1 Moved by Bob McGee, seconded by Stan Caveney, that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of February 15, 2013 be accepted as presented. Carried.

1.2 Moved by Eric Auzins, seconded by Rick Martin, that the McIlwraith Field Naturalists Financial Reports for 2012/2013 be accepted as circulated. Carried.

1.3 Moved by Eric Auzins, seconded by Ian Platt, that Michael A. King, C.A. be appointed as auditor for McIlwraith Field Naturalists for the fiscal year 2013/2014. Carried.

1.4 Moved by Norm Corrin, seconded by Jim Moorhead, that the 2013/2014 Board of Directors be elected as presented. Carried.

2.0 Call to Order:

Karen Auzins, President, called the 2013 Annual General Meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Thirty members present constitutes a quorum. Fifty-one members were present.

3.0 Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting:

The Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting had been distributed electronically and posted on the McIlwraith website. They were reviewed. One question was raised about an error in one Appointed Position but with explanation it was felt that there was no error. *Moved by Bob McGee, seconded by Stan Caveney, that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of February 15, 2013 be accepted as presented. Carried.*

4.0 Reports from Board Members:

The Directors' and Appointees' Reports were made available to members in the form of a PDF file on the MFN/Nature London website. There were no questions or comments.

5.0 Treasurer's Report:

Eric Auzins, Treasurer, introduced the auditor, Michael King, who reviewed the 2012/2013 audited Financial Statements. The year's profit was \$617 and the net assets are \$103,738. A few questions were asked for clarification. *Moved by Eric Auzins, seconded by Rick Martin, that the McIlwraith Field Naturalists Financial Reports for 2012/2013 be accepted as circulated. Carried.*

6.0 Appointment of Auditors:

Moved by Eric Auzins, seconded by Ian Platt, that Michael A. King, C.A. be appointed as auditor for McIlwraith Field Naturalists for the fiscal year 2013/2014. Carried.

7.0 Election of the Board of Directors:

Norm Corrin, Chair of the Nominating Committee, read the names of the Nominating Committee members (Norm Corrin (chair), Ray Robertson, Catherine Burr, and Karen Auzins) then presented the roster of nominations for the 2014/2015 Nature London Board of Directors.

The following members were nominated:

Carol Agocs	Norm Corrin
Muriel Andreae	Cathy McCrae
Karen Auzins	Bob McGee
Herb Bax	Gail McNeil
Jack Blocker	Henry Przysiezny

Moved by Norm Corrin, seconded by Jim Moorhead, that the 2013/2014 Board of Directors be elected as presented. Carried.

8.0 Appointed Positions

Appointees for 2014-2015

(Positions marked with ** are board positions)

Object #1: To acquire and disseminate knowledge of natural history

Archivist(s) – Winifred & David Wake

Brochure/Editor – Ray Robertson

E-mail Co-ordinator – Gail McNeil

Editor *The Cardinal* _____

(Acting) Editor(s) *The Cardinal* – Betsy Baldwin & Hugh Casbourn

Editor (s) – *Guide to the Natural Areas of London & Vicinity* – Ros & Jim Moorhead

Facebook Co-ordinator – Mady Hymowitz

Nature Line Co-ordinator(s) – Bob McGee, Gail McNeil, Rick Martin

Publicity Administrator – Paul Nicholson

Webmaster – Mady Hymowitz

Object #2: To conserve wildlife and protect its natural habitat

**Cedarcroft Manager – Herb Bax

Conservation Committee Chair – Sandy Levin

Friends of the Coves Sub-watershed Rep. Daphne Lowe

Heritage Rep. (LACH – London Advisory Committee on Heritage) – Jim Cushing

Middlesex Stewardship Council Rep. – Cathy Quinlan

Middlesex Woodlands Advisory Committee Rep. – Pete Read

Ontario Nature Rep. – Anita Caveney

Thames Talbot Land Trust Rep. – David Wake

The Urban League Rep. – Carol Agocs

Object #3: To stimulate public interest in and understanding of nature and its protection and preservation

**Field Trips Co-ordinator – Cathy McCrae

**Indoor Meetings Co-ordinator – _____

Nature In The City Co-ordinator – Pat Tripp

Outreach Speaker Co-ordinator _____

Saunders Library Liaison – Pat Tripp

Object #4: To develop and sponsor special interest groups in the various fields of natural history

Butterfly Count Co-ordinator – Ann White
Birding Wing Program Co-ordinator – Dave Martin
Chimney Swift Liaison – Winifred Wake
Migration Secretary (Bird) – Pete Read
Christmas Bird Count Compiler – Pete Read

Club Administration – Positions that don't fall directly under the 4 Objects but are part of the administration/smooth running of the club.

Audio Visual Technician – _____
Awards Banquet Coordinator(s) – Karen Auzins & Deb Gorman-Smith
Cookie and Coffee/Tea Coordinator(s) – Jim & Linda Bristow
Manual Secretary – Cathy Quinlan
Membership Database Support – Hugh Casbourn
Membership Secretary – _____
Sales Coordinator – Ann Henderson
**Volunteer Coordinator – Norm Corrin
WEB Host – Ken Dimson

9.0 No other business was conducted.

10.0 Adjournment:

Moved by Bob McGee, seconded by Anita Caveney, that the meeting be adjourned.
Carried.

The time of adjournment was 7:45 PM.

Minutes were taken by Bob McGee, Nature London Recording Secretary

Addendum

With respect to 3.0 in the above minutes, further investigation revealed that indeed there was an error in the Minutes of the 2013 AGM. Therefore, notice of a membership meeting to correct the error was placed on the Nature London website and a mass emailing notice about the need for such a meeting was distributed. This meeting was held on March 21 2014. There were 63 members present. It was **moved by Gail McNeil, seconded by Pete Read, that the motion previously adopted at the 2014 Annual General Meeting to accept the Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting as presented be amended to read that the Minutes of the 2013 Annual General meeting be accepted with the deletion of the appointed position of Advertising Co-ordinator for *The Cardinal* – Blaine Prentice. Carried.**