

Ontario Invasive Plant Council

May 6, 2014

Executive Committee information session

Conference Call

10 am – 10:40am

Summary Notes

Board Members Attending:

Iola Price, Member at Large
Owen Williams, President & Member at Large
John Benham, Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association/ Wellington County
Dan Kraus, Nature Conservancy of Canada
Jim Ferguson, Hydro One (for Mary Gordon)
Andrew Pitek, Forests Ontario
Jeanine West, Landscape Ontario
Kellie Sherman, OIPC staff
Rachel Gagnon, OIPC staff

Board Member Regrets

Dr. Robert Simmons, Ontario Horticultural Association
John Urquhart, Ontario Nature
Sandy Smith, University of Toronto
Larry McDermott, Plenty Canada
Lindsay Barr, Royal Botanical Gardens
Jennifer Gibb, City of Toronto
Ken Towle, Vice-President & Conservation Ontario
Dawn Sucee, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters

Agenda items

- The Executive Committee

1. Executive committee

Owen is seeking to step back from being President and Ken is unable to take his place. We need to fill the executive committee roles: President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Iola is willing to continue to sit on the executive committee as President (if absolutely necessary) or continue in her current role (secretary/ treasurer).

It was also suggested that Owen could sit as secretary treasurer. He would only do this if absolutely necessary.

Currently there is no one else on the Board of Directors that has the time to dedicate to these positions. We need someone to fill in.

In the OIPC Terms of reference it states: **"Members of the Executive may be drawn from the general membership or the Board"**

Therefore the Board has decided to review the membership list, and contact some of the members to see if they would be willing to sit on as Board of Directors and as executive committee members.

We will be contacting OIPC members and asking whether they would consider being on the OIPC Board of Director with an additional role on the Executive Committee.

We will contact the following people (they are currently very active OIPC members) directly:

- Rod and Freyja: Owen will contact them.
- Chris Hargreaves. Iola will contact him.
- Patricia Lowe and Diana Shermet: Rachel Gagnon to contact them.
- Jeff Muzzi: Andrew will contact him.
- Barry Cottam: Iola will contact him.

Also Rachel will send out the membership list to this group in order for us to look it choose others.

ACTION: Rachel to send the list of members to this group

ACTION: ALL go through the list, if you see someone that you would like to call, send out a note to the rest of us that you will be contacting that person.

ACTION: all please **DO NOT** share the list, please delete it once you are done.

If none of these people are interested Rachel will send out an email to the membership and ask for nominees / volunteers.

Action: If none of the people contacted are interested. Rachel will send out an email to the members.

NEXT CALL:

In the next call we will discuss the candidates.

May 12, 10:00am via conference call.