

Friends of the Petawawa Research Forest  
 Annual General Meeting (#16)  
 Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017; 7 p.m. Deep River Public Library

Attendance:			Regrets:
Robin Cunningham Frank Knaapen Tom Moore Hilary Veen	Jordon MacMillan John Pineau Ronnie Huang Melissa Vekeman	Cash Allard Will Power Dan Lightfoot  +25 other members/guests	Dave Lemkay

1. Introduction of BOD to members/guests
2. Hilary gave overview of last year's AGM and minutes are accepted (Frank / Tom)
3. Melissa presented treasurer's report. (Dave/Hilary)
4. Robin presented presidents report (attached)
5. Motion to accept existing board, i.e. no new board members, no election (Ray/Anne Serdula).
6. Peter Arbour gave an update of the professional activities occurring on the PRF, including
  - the Forest Management Plan,
  - Species at Risk,
  - Aerial and backpack herbiciding,
  - Fire detection and suppression,
  - the Cartier Lake Silviculture area,
  - the Moose Grove Logging Damage Study to establish Best Management Practises,
  - PSP remeasurement,
  - Genetic experiments remeasurement
  - Meridian Road Understory Vegetations Study
  - Engineered wood – Meridian Road bridge over washout
  - LiDAR Based FRI Attributes (AWARE) using drones
  - Terrestrial and UAV LiDAR systems
  - GeoSLAM testing (point clouds)
  - Avian/SAR Habitat characterization – quantify and locate SAR habitat
  - Biomass study / Knowledge exchange
  - 1918-2018 birthday celebration
7. Guest Speaker. We were pleased to present Ethan Hunter, senior forest tech with Algonquins of Ontario who gave a very interesting and informative talk on features on the landscape of value to our first nation heritage. He gave us a geological history lesson to lay the groundwork for how our landscape has changed over the last several thousands of years especially how shorelines have changed as glaciers receded. Values included:
  - Edible/ Medicinal
  - Reflective landscapes
  - Landmark rocks
  - Split rocks
  - Piles of stones indicating graves
  - Marker stones
  - Fire rings
  - Grinding stones
  - Cube-like quartz – tools
  - Shoreline features.