**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CONVENED BY CHAIR D. ENGLISH**

**Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:40 am, welcoming the members and guests, inviting open discussion but noting that only members may vote. Members were further reminded that voting was on a weighted voting basis.

**Confirmation of Meeting and Proxies**

The Secretary confirmed that notice of meeting had been properly served, and sufficient members were present in person or by proxy. The Secretary confirmed that 3 proxies had been received and were held by D. Brown, T. Stark & D. English (all organizational).
**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting of September 20, 2003 had been distributed, posted to the website and were available to the members at the meeting. No comments had been received by the Secretary.  

**Reports of the Chair & Executive Director**

The Chair acknowledged the work and support of the Board, and Board committees over the past year, and the special assistance of the Vice Chair J. Wiggers. She went on to note that a formal Annual Report was available to the members, and highlighted several aspects of the past year.  

The Executive Director reported on organizational accomplishments over the past year, also noting that a more detailed outline was available in the Annual Report.  

**Treasurer’s Report**

**Financial Report for Year Ending March 31, 2004**

The Treasurer presented the audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2003-2004, noting that there was a summary in the Annual Report and complete copies were available to the members in the room and on request. He went on to note that past year was the most complex for the organization with both revenues and expenses topping $1 million.  

It was added that all three major projects came to completion this fiscal year, which added to the need to secure untied and sustaining funding which was noted in the previous year.  

The Treasurer went on to note that the financial management system had been improved over the past year leading to improvements in project tracking, and the previous years had been reviewed using the new tracking tools.  

The Treasurer also publicly acknowledged the generous support of The Pew Charitable Trusts, The Richard Ivey Foundation and The Kohlberg Foundation, as well as the financial support of Tembec Inc., Domtar Inc, Alpac, and Abitibi Consolidated, and the partnership support of the Eastern Ontario Model Forest and WWF Canada.  

**Appointment of Auditors**

The Treasurer recommended that McPherson & McPherson be retained as auditors for the fiscal year 2004-2005.
Election of Directors

The Secretary reported on the results of the Nomination process and the ensuing election of Directors. Following the presentation of a slate of candidates to fill the vacant seats – 1 in each Chamber – one nomination had been received from the membership. An election was held and the results were that the following are Directors for the 2004 – 2006 period:

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The membership congratulated the new Directors.

Other Business

Nominations Policy

As directed by the membership at the 2002-2003 AGM, the Nominations Policy that had been approved was re-introduced for comment and review. The Executive Director and representatives of the Nominating Committee commented on the process, noting that it improved the focus on the type and quality of Directors. It was further noted that the voter turnout was the largest in FSC Canada history.

Members appeared satisfied with the application of the Policy.

Information Management Policy

It was noted that the Information Management Policy, which meets the new federal requirements for privacy of information, approved at the 2002-2003 AGM had also been implemented. FSC International, custodian of member information, had been informed of both the FSC Canada Policy and the new Canadian privacy legislation, and had included a note to members regarding the use of information provided.

There was no other business raised by the membership.

Next Annual General Meeting

The members were informed that the next Annual General Meeting would be held on September 16, 2005 in Fredericton, NB.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.