CALL TO ORDER
The Co-Chairs (John Cathro & Steven Sage) of the Board of Directors of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Canada call the 2014 Annual General Meeting to order at 3:15pm on November 5, 2014 in Quebec City, Quebec.

NOTICE, PROXIES AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA
The Secretary confirms that notice of the meeting was served in accordance with the FSC Canada By-laws.

The FSC Canada Secretary confirms that a total of 20 proxies have been received and posted, all of which are held by members in attendance. The Secretary explains the voting process whereby 50% of the voting power of Members in good standing in each of the four chambers constitutes quorum.” Members may also designate a proxy to act on their behalf.
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- **MOTION** to approve the Agenda.
  Moved by: Arnold Bercov, PPWC
  Seconded by: Catharine Grant, Greenpeace Canada
  None opposed. MOTION PASSED

**MINUTES OF THE 2013 Annual General Meeting**
The Secretary notes that the draft minutes of the meeting of the 2013 Annual General Meeting, held in Halifax, Nova Scotia on November 5th, 2013 have been posted on the FSC Canada website. No comments on the draft minutes have been received.

- **MOTION** to approve the 2013 AGM Minutes.
  Moved by: Shawn Wasel, ALPAC
  Seconded by: Catharine Grant, Greenpeace Canada
  None opposed. MOTION PASSED

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**
The Secretary (Chris McDonell) states that, as per FSC Canada by-laws, the Board of Directors is made up of eight individuals, with two representatives from each of the four Chambers (Aboriginal Peoples, Economic, Environmental, Social). As per FSC Canada by-laws, the Board of Directors is made up of eight individuals, with two representatives from each of the four Chambers (Aboriginal Peoples, Economic, Environmental, Social).

**ABORIGINAL PEOPLES Chamber**
Bradley Young, National Aboriginal Forestry Association (NAFA)
Brenda St-Denis, Wolf Lake First Nation

**ECONOMIC Chamber**
Chris McDonell, Tembec Inc.
Steven Sage, Kruger Products

**ENVIRONMENTAL Chamber**
John Cathro, individual
Chris Miller, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS)

**SOCIAL Chamber**
Satnam Manhas, Ecotrust Canada
Arnold Bercov, Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers of Canada
CO-CHAIR’S REPORT

This past year marked significant advancements for FSC Canada including FSC’s 20th anniversary. In 20 years, we’ve grown significantly - from an organization with a basement office and a single staff person to a national organization with regional presence across Canada; over 50 million hectares of FSC-certified forests and over 900 Chain of Custody certificate holders. Canada has become a global leader in FSC forest management certification with about a third of the world’s FSC-certified forests. This includes four of the ten largest FSC-certified forests in the world as well as innovative group schemes of smaller forests, most notably in B.C., Ontario and the Maritimes.

Such success doesn’t come without great supporters, dedicated staff and an active membership. But we need to do more. This past year we have focused on strengthening our internal governance system by aligning our bylaws to FSC International’s and updating key policies ensuring compliance with new federal guidelines. These changes, with membership approval, ensure we maintain a strategic focus at the board level.

We have also made progress in our Forest Management Standards revision process. In the past 12 months, FSC Canada has initiated the Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) Pilot Project, completed the first phase of the Species at Risk / Woodland Caribou project and established six Technical Expert Panels to help draft indicators for our revised standards. We are also in the process of completing the National Controlled Wood Risk Assessment as part of the FSC review and revision of the global Controlled Wood system.

FSC Canada needs to be strong to meet the challenges ahead. Recent legal challenges of existing certificates in Canada speak to the dynamic nature of our forests, the passions involved, and the need for leadership. Growing global demand for FSC products is placing unprecedented pressure on certified producers and manufacturers along the supply chain. The FSC network on six continents is evolving to keep pace with the growth in demand to ensure that the system is rigorous, transparent and accessible.

FSC will continue to play a key role in the positive transformation of Canada’s forest industry and forest dependent communities. We look forward to the next 20 years of keeping Forests for All, Forever.

• **MOTION** to approve the co-chairs report.
  Moved by: Brad Young, NAFA
  Seconded by: Arnold Bercov, PPWC
  None opposed. MOTION PASSED
PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Over the past year, we have made great strides in building-up FSC Canada’s organizational capacity with the addition of a Business Development Manager, to help develop new partnerships for FSC Canada, and a Regional Manager in Western Canada, to establish a market presence in British Columbia and better serve our stakeholders.

On the International front, FSC Canada has remained proactive in the discussions around the implementation of Motion 8 (passed at the 2011 General Assembly) which aims to strengthen the global network through a strategic review of current and future capital and operational needs, ultimately helping improve FSC Canada’s financial stability.

At home, this year we had much needed progress in our Forest Management Standards Revision Process with the launch of the Free, Prior and Information Consent (FPIC) Initiative and a project around Species at Risk – Woodland Caribou.

Although FSC has made great strides forward, the immediate need is to cope with the sheer number of important processes that have been started over the past few years. These include International Generic Indicators, Forest Management Standard Revision Process, development of a National Risk Assessment, Motion 8 process and several more.

Although these projects may seem numerous, these are key projects that need to be implemented in order to ensure FSC’s standards are up-to-date with the latest science and operate efficiently and fairly across the globe.

With a strengthened team, focused board, dedicated membership, strong certificate holders and overall renewed interest in FSC’s projects, we see this as an opportunity for FSC to continue to be a leading forest certification system and keep forests healthy for future generations.
TREASURER’S REPORT
The Treasurer presents the financial report of the organization.

The audited financial statement has been finalized and the revenue and a summary of expenses for the organization have been presented on the last page of the Annual Report (2013-2014). During the past fiscal year, FSC Canada total revenues were $837,352 against total expenses of $799,990. These numbers represent the twelve months ended December 31, 2013.

The Treasurer formally acknowledges the following financial supporters: Alberta Pacific Forest Industries, Boreal Leadership Council, Cascades, Domtar, FSC International, Kruger Products, Tembec Inc., and TD Bank Group. They have been instrumental in ensuring the continued operation and success of FSC Canada.

• MOTION to approve the 2013-2014 Audited Financial Report.
  Moved by: Brad Young, NAFA
  Seconded by: Chris McDonell, Tembec
  Non Opposed. MOTION PASSED

• MOTION to appoint Cowperthwaite Mehta as the Auditors of Record for the Fiscal Year 2014.
  Moved by: Brad Young, NAFA
  Seconded by: Arnold Bercov, PPWC
  Non Opposed. MOTION PASSED

RESOLUTIONS
The Co-Chair notes that there haven’t been any requests for the presentation of RESOLUTIONS has been received at the FSC Canada office within the specified period. Additional motions may be raised from the floor at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS
The Co-Chair invites members to introduce other business or other issues or items of information for consideration by the Board.

NEXT MEETING
The Co-Chairs confirms that next year’s AGM will be held at a time and place to be decided by the Board and announced to members as per the By-laws.

ADJOURNMENT
With no further business, the Co-Chair declares the 2014 AGM adjourned at 3:39pm.