Orillia Naturalists' Meeting Club Minutes

February 1, 2017 7:30-9:30 pm at O.M.A.H. Approved- March 1

President welcomed new and returning members to the meeting. Guests were asked to introduce themselves. Five guests were in attendance.

<u>Sightings</u> – Goshawk, red-bellied woodpecker at a feeder, barred owl, snow buntings, pileated woodpecker and a red fox at the Couchiching Golf course.

Approval of Minutes from November 2, 2016 – moved by Denis Paccagnella. Seconded by Adam Thomson. Carried.

<u>Website</u> – Reminder that the website has the latest and greatest information and record of past and upcoming outings. Audience encouraged to look at the "Find of the Month" – Last month – Goshawk, this month the Spotted Salamander

Committee Reports

<u>Treasurer</u> – Donald MacDonald. Reported that the current balance is \$3,455.41. The CGL and D&O Insurance policy will be renewed through to February 28, 2018 in the amount of \$818.64. The Club is in good financial position.

Ontario Nature - No report

Programme - Arni Stinnissen

February 18 – snowshoe outing with Barb Ryckman to the Alexander Hope-Smith property

March 1 meeting – Parks Canada speaker presenting about Georgian Bay National Park

March 22 – Trish Stinnissen presenting about Bruce Peninsula National Park (make up for January meeting which was cancelled due to inclement weather.)

February 22 – Facebook Introductory workshop for those that would like to learn more. An email will be coming.

June 6th and 10th outings to Georgian Bay Islands National Park. A few spots left. Sign up lists out for break if interested.

Archives - No Report

Conservation – Pat Woodford – Nothing at this time but for those that may be interested AGM for Copeland Forest February 18th at 1pm

Social - Warren Ryckman- snacks at break by donation

<u>Publicity</u> – Nancy Ironside – No report

Membership – If you need a new name tag see Heather.

New Business – None at this time.