

**Council of Chairs of Canadian Earth Science Departments – CCCESD
Meeting, 17 November 2006
Gendron Rm 080 from 8:30 to 1 pm
Careg Rm 107 from 12:00 to 4 pm**

AGENDA

1. Introductions of acting executive (8.30 a.m.) Chair: Raeside
 - a. Appointment of recording secretary

2. Round table overview of the state of geosciences by department (8.35–9.50 a.m.)
Chair: Raeside
At several previous meetings, CCCESD has given opportunity to heads/chairs or delegates to give a brief overview of the significant developments at their institutions. This can soon become lengthy, so in the interests of time, heads/chairs are asked to **provide to Rob Raeside in advance** an overview (half-page maximum) of the main changes in their departments over the past 2 years. You will then have 2 minutes to introduce yourself and highlight one or two of these aspects at the meeting.

3. Role and mandate of CCCESD (9.50–10.30 a.m.) Chair: Raeside
 - a) Article I. 2 of the CCCESD constitution states "to foster, coordinate, and promote education, training, and research in earth sciences with particular emphasis on the needs, activities, and mandate of the earth science departments in Canadian universities."
 - b) Interactions with Canadian Geoscience Council / proposed new Canadian Geoscience Institute (Raeside)
 - c) Relationship to other organizations
 - d) Review of statistical information – alert for next round (Raeside)

-----Break-----

4. Preparation for meetings with NSERC staff and GSC (10.30–11.15 a.m.)
Chair: Cruden
 - a) What do we expect from our meetings? What do we want to obtain here?
Prepare a brief on our perspective of NSERC's operations, highlighting the relevance of geoscience research and the funding pressures we face.

5. CCPG and CGSB (11.15 a.m. – 12.00 noon) Chair: Cruden
Canadian Council of Professional Geoscientists and its Canadian Geoscience Standards Board are reviewing the syllabus for professional registration – more details after the 21 October meeting in Toronto

-----Lunch-----

6. Visit from NSERC staff (12.00–2.30 p.m., starting with lunch following in the Careg Building) Chair: Gillis
To be invited:
Norman Marcotte, Director, Research Grants and Scholarships Directorate
Kenn Rankine, Program Officer, Solid Earth Sciences 08
Brigit Viens, Program Officer, Environmental Earth Sciences 09
7. Visit from GSC staff (2.30 – 3.15 p.m., Richard Grieve) Chair: Gibling
8. CCCESD organization Chair: Gibling
 - a) Establishment of chair and executive of CCCESD
 - b) Schedule of meetings (time, location, agenda)
 - c) Financial report
 - d) Membership fees – purpose and uses, cost