

2009 PRSSS Annual General Meeting

President's Report

The last year has seen a few changes in how the PRSSS operates and looks, including the following:

- Membership terms have been changed from individual-specific to general (From March 1st to February 28th) in order to save time for the Executive
- The newsletter is now primarily sent as a PDF attachment to members; those who would still like to receive paper copies are advised to specifically request one (email to prsssemail@gmail.com)
- The website has had a host of archived materials added to it, from photos of past field trips to documentation and videos from past workshops.
- New t-shirts have been made, and will be available in two colours from the PRSSS Bookstore

Bookstore Report

This was an active year for the bookstore:

- More than 1000\$ of sales were made
- The bookstore purchased ten copies of an illustrated soils guide to sell
- T-shirts will be available for viewing on the bookstore page of the website

Treasurer's report:

- In an effort to provide more membership benefits, the 2008 field trip was offered free to members
- Due to a cheque mix-up, funds to cover the workshop were withdrawn from the Bookstore account. The Executive has determined that these funds need not be returned to the Bookstore account because funds from the workshop account will be used to cover the shirt purchase, the amounts received for which will be put into the bookstore account.
- In the future, additional membership benefits could include
 - free field trip
 - periodic “Evening Sessions”
 - student “socials” or membership drives
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 - travel bursaries
 - poster session prizes
 - free movie showings (e.g., “Dirt”, the movie)