

Please find attached copies of the emails sent to Sarah Boyer and myself in response to her request for SDS members who support the formation of a Canadian Chapter of the SDS. Of course, I am also a member and support this initiative. I have also volunteered to serve as the initial President of the chapter, until we have elections and so forth.

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(I have included all the context of the email exchanges, and highlighted the individuals in red.)

>> From: IVAN TAYLOR <iwtaylor@rogers.com>
>> Date: 25 April 2012 04:38:05 GMT+01:00
>> To: "sarahboyar@gmail.com" <sarahboyar@gmail.com>
>> Cc: Tony Masys <anthony.masys@drdc-rddc.gc.ca>, Kalyan Siddam
>> <write2kalyan@yahoo.com>, Arif Mehmood <amehmood73@gmail.com>
>> Subject: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
>> Reply-To: IVAN TAYLOR <iwtaylor@rogers.com>
>>
>> Hello Sarah,
>>
>> I would like to be a member of the Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics
>> Society. I live in Ottawa and work for the Department of National Defence
>> in the Centre for Operational Research. I am currently working on a
>> macroeconomic System Dynamics model of the Canadian economy. I am also
>> the President of a small consulting company called Policy Dynamics that
>> is working with the First Nations on System Dynamics for Sustainable
>> Development.
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>> Sincerely,
>> Ivan Taylor

>> Randy-
>> Rizwan Shahid confirming his membership. See email below.
>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: Rizwan Shahid <Rizwan.Shahid@albertahealthservices.ca>
>> Date: 23 April 2012 14:56:14 GMT+01:00
>> To: 'Sarah Boyar' <sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>
>> Subject: RE: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
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>> Hi Sarah,
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>> Thanks for the mail. Yes, I have become a member. I'll check with others I
>> know about it, too.
>>
>> Best Wishes
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>> Riz
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: Peter Warrian <peterwarrian@sympatico.ca>
>> Date: 26 May 2012 00:54:33 GMT+01:00

>> To: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>
>> Subject: SD Society
>>
>> Hi
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>> I can confirm that I have renewed my membership so therefore qualify
>> for the Canadian Chapter.
>>
>> Regards
>>
>> Peter

>> Rick Blickstead confirmation
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: "Rick Blickstead" <Rick@wellesleyinstitute.com>
>> Date: 23 April 2012 13:06:28 GMT+01:00
>> To: "Sarah Boyar" <sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>
>> Subject: RE: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
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>> Sarah, YES and yes
>>
>> Regards and onwards, Rick
>>
>> J. Richard Blickstead
>> CEO Wellesley Institute, Adj. Prof. Univ. of Toronto
>>
>> 10 Alcorn Ave Suite 300
>> Toronto, ONM4V 3B2
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>> e: rick@wellesleyinstitute.com
>> o: 416.972.1010 x224
>> c:416.953.6523
>> w:www.wellesleyinstitute.com
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>> From: Sarah Boyar [<mailto:sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>]
>> Sent: April-22-12 5:02 PM
>> To: Sarah Boyar
>> Subject: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
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>> Hello,
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>> In order to begin the Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society, I
>> am still trying to confirm a list of 10 people who are members of the
>> international SD society.
>> Once we have achieved this, we can move forward with a constitution and
>> arranging activities and services.
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>> Can each of you on this list please confirm (once again) if you are a
>> current member, and that you agree to have your name listed as a founding
>> member when we apply to the International SD Society for formation of the
>> Chapter.
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>> I know a few of you are not members, and so if this applies to you -
>> please consider joining?
>> http://www.systemdynamics.org/howtto_join.htm
>> It is easy to join and doesn't necessarily cost anything or require any
>> further action once you join.
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>> I think we are two people short of the required 10. Also, if you know
>> anyone who might be a member, would you please refer them to me?
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>> Many thanks.
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>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah
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>> PS: I apologize that my communication about this has been somewhat
>> inconsistent....I promise that this will improve.

>> One more confirmation below. I don't know Ali well, but his enthusiasm and prompt responses make me think he'd make a good vice president....or a good person to help out in any way. I'd suggest partnering with him. We can talk more about this idea on Sunday?

>> Begin forwarded message:

>> From: Ali Vahit Esensoy <ali.esensoy@utoronto.ca>
>> Date: 22 March 2012 00:29:38 GMT
>> To: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>
>> Subject: Re: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society

>> Hi Sarah,

>> Yes I am a member. Have a good trip! :)

>> Cheers,

>> Ali Vahit Esensoy
>> Centre for Research in Healthcare Engineering
>> University of Toronto
>> P: 416.825.2024
>> W: www.crhe.ca

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>> On 2012-03-21, at 6:42 PM, Sarah Boyar wrote:

>> Dear Ali,

>> Thanks for your reply. Sorry for my brief note right now, I am traveling but will write more over the weekend. Meantime, are you a member of the International SD Society, or would you consider joining?
>> http://www.systemdynamics.org/howto_join.htm

>> On a practical note we need an initial 10 members of the international society in order to get started.

>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah

>> On Wed, Mar 21, 2012 at 10:21 PM, Ali Vahit Esensoy
>> <ali.esensoy@utoronto.ca> wrote:

>> Hi Sarah,

>> I'm a PhD candudate at the University of Toronto and I would be interested in helping out with this.

>> Thanks,

>> Ali Vahit Esensoy
>> Centre for Research in Healthcare Engineering
>> University of Toronto
>> P: 416.825.2024
>> W: www.crhe.ca

>> Nate Osgood's confirmation

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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: Nathaniel Osgood <osgood@cs.usask.ca>
>> Date: 22 April 2012 23:57:32 GMT+01:00
>> To: 'Sarah Boyar' <sarah.boyar@gmail.com>
>> Subject: RE: Canadian Chapter of SD Society
>> Reply-To: osgood@cs.usask.ca
>>
>> Hi Sarah,
>> Thanks for your note and sorry for the delay -- I have been away in
>> China, and have enjoyed limited access to email. Yes, I am a member of the
>> SDS, and you're welcome to put down my name. I admire your initiative in
>> this regard, and wish you the best.
>>
>> Thanks and best wishes,
>> Nate Osgood
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Sarah Boyar [<mailto:sarah.boyar@gmail.com>]
>> Sent: Sunday, April 15, 2012 7:22 AM
>> To: Nathaniel Osgood
>> Subject: Canadian Chapter of SD Society
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>> Hi Nate,
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>> I am wondering if you are a member of the International SD Society?
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>> A student has asked if I would start a Canadian Chapter....I need a few
>> more
>> people who are members of the international society in order to get things
>> rolling. Can I put your name down?
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>> Please let me know either way. Many thanks.
>>
>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah
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>> Confirmation of membership from Ron Wall.
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: Ron Wall <ron.wall@phac-aspc.gc.ca>
>> Date: 24 April 2012 21:47:16 GMT+01:00
>> To: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@gmail.com>
>> Subject: Re: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
>>
>> To not delay the process I have just joined the SDS as Ronald William Wall
>> using PayPal ... information processed within two days
>>
>> I am available to brainstorm at your convenience ... I assume that you
>> are in Belfast so I can be available in the evenings, morning, or
>> whatever works best for you.
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>> Can we start a focus in Public/population health?
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>> Ron
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>> Sarah Boyar ---2012-04-24 04:16:23 PM---Dear Ron, Thanks for your reply!
>> Wow, that sounds intense - the past year of your
>>
>> From: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@gmail.com>
>> To: Ron Wall <ron.wall@phac-aspc.gc.ca>
>> Date: 2012-04-24 04:16 PM
>> Subject: Re: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
>>
>> Dear Ron,
>>
>> Thanks for your reply! Wow, that sounds intense - the past year of your
>> life has sure been eventful, hasn't it?

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>> I am hoping we will be able to scrape by with you as the 11th (not 10th)
>> international member, however, note that you can also join and not pay
>> (and then pay next year or whenever you get around to it....
>>
>> Most importantly, I would love to ask your input into the next stage -
>> brainstorming activities, events, services and services that the Chapter
>> should offer. Not sure if I've mentioned to you, but I only know of one
>> person who is involved who is not in health in some way....so the real
>> demand for this right now is from the public health community in Canada.
>>
>> Anyway, thank you...and great to be in touch....and good luck with your
>> move! Keep me posted!
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>> Take care,
>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah
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>> On 23/04/2012 4:33 PM, Ron Wall wrote:
>> :Hello, Sarah:
>>
>> I regret my delay.
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>> I will be joining the SDS as of May 2nd when the sale of house closes and
>> my cash flow is no longer constrained by the cost of two residences.
>>
>> Cheers,
>> Ron
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>> Sarah Boyar ---2012-04-22 05:01:54 PM---Hello, In order to begin the
>> /Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society/,
>>
>> From: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@gmail.com>
>> To: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@gmail.com>
>> Date: 2012-04-22 05:01 PM
>> Subject: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
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>> Many thanks.
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>> Best wishes,
>> Sarah
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> From: Tim Kelly <gka25@sfu.ca>
>> Date: 22 April 2012 23:04:06 GMT+01:00

>> To: Sarah Boyar <sarah.boyar@googlemail.com>
>> Subject: Re: Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society
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>> I am a member of ISDS and I am willing to be one of the initial 10.
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>> tim
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>> Sarah Boyar wrote:
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>> "Anything war can do, peace can do better." -- Desmond Tutu

>> Randy,
>> Yes to both questions. I wish you luck in your efforts.
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>> There was, a few years ago now, a National Capital System Dynamics Group
>> that attracted a few attendees at a few meetings where past and current
>> projects were discussed. Most of the participants were in government
>> departments. Enthusiasm was not overwhelming and so, as it apparently had
>> in the even more distant past, it folded.
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>> There was, during this time, an engineering prof at UOttawa who
>> introduced some SD into one of his courses and had a few students; I
>> don't know if he is still active in that way.
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>> All the best.
>> See you in St Gallen.
>> Joel Rahn
>> PS Didn't find Sarah Boyer's name on the Society members list; there was
>> a Sarah Megan Boyar though.
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>> On 15/07/2012 1:58 PM, Randy Park wrote:
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>> Joel,
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>> Sarah Boyer started the process of forming a Canadian Chapter of the
>> System Dynamics Society. We are in the final stretch, and are looking for
>> a few more people who are members of the international SD society who will
>> agree to have their names listed as founding members when we apply to the
>> International SD Society for formation of the Chapter.
>> I agree with Sarah that a Canadian Chapter is a good idea. There is a lot
>> of energy for SD in Canada and it would be good for us to develop a
>> heightened sense of community and pool of common resources.
>>
>> If you agree, can you please confirm with a quick return email that you:
>> 1) are a current member of the System Dynamics Society, and
>> 2) that you agree to have your name included as a chapter member.
>> The plan is to have the proposal put to the Society at the annual
>> Conference this month.

>> I will keep you updated on the progress. Thanks in advance.
>>
>> Best regards,
>>
>> Randy Park

>> Good Afternoon Randy,
>>
>> Yes, I am interested in helping you form the Canadian Chapter of the
>> System Dynamics Society.
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>> I am a current member and totally agree with putting my name down as a
>> founding member!
>>
>> Cheers - hope to see you next week!
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>> On 7/15/12, Randy Park <randy@lighthouse9.ca> wrote:
>> > Hi Ashley,
>> >
>> > I think we met at the System Dynamics Society conference last summer.
>> >
>> > Sarah Boyer (who you also may have met) started the process of forming a
>> > Canadian Chapter of the System Dynamics Society. We are in the final
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