

Memorandum

Re: Recommendation for Lee Lorch Award 2018

Date: October 30, 2016

To: CAUT Council

From: Robin Vose, CAUT Past President

The CAUT Lee Lorch Award recognizes academics who excel in each of the domains of academic life: teaching, research, and service to the institution and the community. The recipients are individuals whose teaching, research, and service have contributed noticeably to the lives of their students, to their institution, to their field of study, and to our communities.

On behalf of this year's selection jury, it is my pleasure to recommend that the 2018 CAUT Lee Lorch Award be presented to Dr. John Smol of the Department of Biology, and Canada Research Chair in Environmental Change, at Queen's University. Dr. Smol is an internationally acclaimed scientist who has made vast contributions in the area of paleolimnology and other aspects of vital environmental research. He has authored over 530 journal publications and book chapters, is currently at work on his 22nd book, has won numerous research and teaching awards, and is a highly sought-after lecturer all over the world. Both as a textbook author and a mentor he has inspired countless students from undergraduate to doctoral levels, while also tirelessly volunteering to share his knowledge with the community at large through media interventions, workshop presentations, and political advocacy.

The letter of nomination is included with this memo for the consideration of Council.