

MINUTES
September 19, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting

Board Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2013

Location: Aboriginal Friendship Centre – Calgary, Alberta

Host: Sandra Sutter

Chair: Todd Belot

In attendance: Todd Belot, Dr. Pat Makokis, Carissa Browning, Lorne Ternes, Wayne Courchene (left early), Todd P, Connie Landry, Tim Heins, Esther Johnston, Norm Brennand, Sandra Sutter, JT Clode

Date/Time September 19, 2013 – 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

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Agenda

1. Welcome – excited about conference
2. Opening Prayer – Pat Makokis
3. Approval of Agenda – motion to approve (Carissa Browning), second (Wayne Courchene), none opposed.
4. Approval of May 30 Minutes – motion to approve (Tim Heins), second (LorneTernes), none opposed
5. Business arising/Action Items from the May 30 minutes – Sandra, should only be talking about Credential Recognition and Conference to keep meeting concise.

Todd agrees

6. **Standing Agenda Items** - Committee and Sub-Committee Reports:

- Executive (Includes President's Report) – deferred
- Finance (tabled until next meeting) - deferred
- Governance (tabled until next meeting) - deferred

- Credential Recognition:

Pat: after power point to board, Sandra, JT, Lorne & Pat went to Edmonton, Talking Circle with various groups, Dean Javier & Dr. Fletcher also attended.

Barry Brisson

After talking circle, need to discuss with Chief. Dr. Fletcher discussion Re: Eric Newall.

Meeting with Provost at U of A good. Come together to meet with hearts. End of day, mtg with U of A Provost directed Dean to work with us to move credential to move into faculty of Education and Extension.

Never met Barry before, made comment about CFAR credential belonging to CFAR and came in saying didn't know where credential would land and who we would build it with. Pat trusts Faculty of Extension and wants it with this faculty. Asking for support of board to do so. Next step is to go to Chiefs and get the money. Credential has potential to extend into a degree

Framework curriculum: available, drafted by CFAR. Credential available through Sandra.

Pat still needs to talk to Chiefs Re: core competencies. But there are 2 perspectives (i.e. consultation and treaty process from an Indigenous and Western POV). We need to invite aboriginal POV. Not saying one is better than another, they are simply two paths.

Goal for discussion with Chiefs: to fulfill goal of treaty reps. Some fear around the credentials. This is an opportunity for us to move forward to drive the credential, content and process. Eliminate the fear. Fear is around the inclusion of ceremony into content. Not the process. It is each individual's process not curriculum.

Go ahead from Chiefs: next move, Faye and Pat will work together to build content and then work with subcommittee to draft. Timeframe: done next year.

Next step, we need money, a budget to do it.

In Todd's conversation with Pat, sent Newsletter, did get a reaction from one of the Treaty groups and made Todd & Pat think we need to include treaty chiefs. Need to move forward and respectfully.

Exciting because we get to drive this process. Provost gave blessing to go ahead. Amazing because there are other people who are fighting to get their content through.

Money? Next process. It will take us to do the research. It will be expensive. After CFAR and Chiefs need to sit down and work budgets.

Good University interested, consultation and consultation professionals should inspire a few companies to want to participate as well. strong parties involved to get there.

CFAR and U of A credential. Should be joint.

Will drive part of the discussion. Other parties contacting us outside of the province. Can't take CFAR beyond our borders, but we can share CFAR through certification through other associations.

Further questions? Comments?

Plan in written form? So we can refer to it in the future? CFAR to represent relationships between industry and indigenous. Regular updates in board meetings and written reports.

Good sense on how we are moving along.

Does Board agree support from U of A for curriculum? Motion to approve (Tim H); second (Wayne C).

Tim moved to support developing curriculum with U of A.

7. Business Manager's Report – verbal this meeting

8. Event Coordinator Report – verbal this meeting

Gratitude for all the work Sandra and JT has done to get the conference and golf tournament going. Work to get board meeting together, some solutions on how to make this work. Pat drove here, Sandra wants more face time with board members, Connie thought it best to put it in front of events.

JT & Sandra, good relationship especially with Credential Recognition involvement. Having members like Lorne and Dean and having input helped. Sandra knows Wayne and Connie but wants

to know other members. Pleasure to go to talking circle. A lot of work to put the conference together.

Tim: governance pieces on Sandra's outstanding list. Budget for organization in coming years also outstanding.

Sandra needs all to respond to emails from Sandra and JT this week.

Todd appreciates everyone's efforts, and Sandra.

9. Conference Updates – JT with support from Sandra and Todd Belot

Easy sell to get people to come and speak at CFAR. Recognized and respected. Positive feedback. Minister Valcourt was meant to be in New Brunswick but PM requested he come out west to meet with Chiefs in SK and AB, and Chiefs thanked us to bring him out here.

Speakers: Minister Valcourt, great responses for golf tournament and dinner. Federal engagement. Questions for Valcourt: send to JT.

Valcourt and opportunity to build relationship with people who are calling to see if they can go to dinner. Business partnership seats.

Valcourt, Campbell, Fox: more of a dialogue. No media in the room. He's excited we are doing a Q&A, he's tired of doing speeches from PMO as well.

Aware looking at speakers, its political and FN bias. Needed to get CFAR in these areas. Not that we are moving away from industry but trying to increase influence in these areas.

85% accurate: 158 registered speakers and volunteers, 118 conference, 144 rooms to golf.

Wildrose caucus will not be in the room, Chiefs of Staff have been notified. Oil and gas companies we don't normally deal with, asking if they want to be involved.

Still accepting door prizes.

Thank you to Executive.

Metis Mixer at Coast Hotel tonight.

Keep Lance in our thoughts and prayers for his mom.

Anyone news, Cold Lake financial duress – should we designate some to Cold Lake in addition to flood relief.

Shouldn't affect Cold Lake FN. Designate funds from t-shirts to flood relief.

Bring laptops and projectors for conference.

Joe's reference to graphic artist was great.

Golf volunteers are wonderful will help us with spring tournament in Fort Mac.

10. Other and New Business

Upcoming season, Todd reached out to half of the board to see who wants to carry on with the board. Individuals that would make great additions to the board. James stepped down nominated Tammy to take his place. To be ratified at AGM. Pat's daughter to join the board as well.

Lorne: add admiration and thanks for work done by Sandra and JT and Pat.

11. Next Meeting

12. Adjournment

Move to adjourn the meeting (Pat), second (Connie)