Circle For Aboriginal Relations Society Minutes of Annual General Meeting May 10, 2006

Attendees: Rob Barber Martha Kasal Ethel Winnipeg Dan Brown Maja Buschkuehle Donna Hrechka Janet Janvier Leonard Gauthier

Arlene Charles Maureen Bell Simone Zielinski Kuni Albert Mike Sutherland Craig Barraclough

Craig Barraclough acted as the Chairman for the inaugural Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the CFAR Society, held at the Carriage House Inn following a member luncheon (see separate notes). Ethel Winnipeg acted as Secretary.

An agenda was circulated and approved. It included:

- Welcome and CFAR backgrounder comments by Craig Barraclough
- Treasurer's report (also by Craig)
- Audit Committee
- Election of Directors
- Other Business (next Board meeting)
- Adjournment

Information handout

A handout to attendees included a recent communication about some of the interim Board members, the objectives of the Society, a report of the financial status of the Society, a copy of the by-laws, and a membership application form. As noted in the by-laws, decisions are made based on the consensus method of voting.

CFAR backgrounder

The AGM began at approximately 2:15 and the agenda was approved. Craig proceeded to provide some background for members new to CFAR, but as this had been covered in part at the luncheon, comments were limited to the uniqueness of CFAR, acknowledging some of the corporations who helped fund its start-up (TransCanada, Golder, EnCana, BP Energy and Anadarko Petroleum), and the 2004 conference.

Treasurer's report

The treasurer's report, showing approximately \$4,000 (four thousand dollars) in the bank was also approved.

Audit Committee

Before opening the floor to Director nominations, Craig discussed the audit requirement, as outlined in the by-laws. It was agreed that the Society didn't need a formal auditor at this time, so the members agreed to elect a 3-member audit committee at the next Board meeting. Craig advised that he was prepared to be part of that committee, but that at least one non-signing director should also be part of it.

Director Nominations

The floor was then opened to nominating Directors for the next two years. The following nineteen (19) Directors were nominated and elected. Although some were absent, it was confirmed by the nominee that they were prepared to stand for election.

Directors elected:

Leonard Gauthier	Arlene Charles
Rob Barber	Maureen Bell
Janet Janvier	Mike Sutherland
Ethel Winnipeg	Patrick Leys
Craig Barraclough	Jacob Handel
Art Cunningham	Helen Jacobs
Larry Veilleux	Maja Buschkuehle
Cheryl Savoie	Martha Kasal
Kuni Albert	Pia-Wilkinson-Chapman
Maria Big Snake	

Contact information for these people is already in our member database (with Martha).

Next Board Meeting

The next Board meeting had already been scheduled for Calgary at the Bow Valley Conference Centre (3rd floor, 202 6th Ave SW) for 10 a.m. May 24, 2006, and this was approved by the newly elected Board.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Note: Subsequent to the AGM, Craig advised the new Board that the registration documents for the CFAR Society had been received, so a new bank account and signing authorities will be part of the agenda for the next Board meeting. A meeting with the Royal Bank at Bow Valley was scheduled for 2 pm on May 24th to have new Board signing authorities complete the appropriate forms and provide identification (Driver's license, birth certificate or passport <u>require</u>, **plus** one of SIN, Credit Card or Health Card). If you plan to be an officer/signing authority, please bring them with you.