
Minutes of a Meeting of the SPECIAL TASK FORCE ON FIRST NATIONS ENGAGEMENT
Held Wednesday, August 31, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.
Room 388, 3rd Floor, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC

PRESENT: Directors: M. Alto (Chair), R. Kasper, B. Desjardins
Staff: S. Hallatt, E. Nahser-Ringer (Recorder)
Regrets: R. Windsor

1. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved by consensus of the committee

2. Chair's Remarks

No remarks at this time

3. Interactions with First Nations - Round Table

It has been a quiet summer. Director Alto is anticipating upcoming meetings with Esquimalt and Songhees Nations on a number of exciting City of Victoria initiatives.

4. Review of meeting with Malahat Nation

Malahat discussed development aspirations and were very happy to see the CRD taking a proactive approach to creating a relationship. They are interested in attending future meetings with CRD and they want to model positive relationships with other government agencies they work with. Malahat also wishes to share their interests with the CRD as they come up and plan to share their consultation policy to workshop with us when it is completed. Notes from that meeting attached.

5. Workplan Discussion

- a. Meeting with Beecher Bay and Pacheedaht
 - Seek dates from Beecher Bay and attempt to still meet with Pacheedaht
- b. Committee of the Whole / Forums of Council
 - Motion to be submitted for September Board meeting requesting ability to pay First Nations representatives to attend FoCs and CoW.
 - Director Alto to chair December CoW meeting on shared values, staff to confirm that this is consistent with procedural bylaws
 - The goal of the CoW meeting is to discuss values and come up with principles for engagement that allow for shared decision making
 - Staff are directed to invite senior provincial staff to witness this meeting
- c. Final report submission
 - Draft to be ready by mid-October to begin sending to First Nations for comment

- December 14th is when the final report will be submitted to the Board
- Part of recommendations will be the next iteration of the Task Force with possibly an extended mandate or a standing cttee that would include First Nations representatives to make policy recommendations to the CRD Board.
- Final report will include outcomes of the CoW meeting

6. New Business

- a. Truth and Reconciliation motion
 - o Interim report to be provided to the October meeting with final recommendations to be delivered with the Task Force's report in December.
- b. Invitation to CRD to participate in Truth and Reconciliation Dialogue
 - o Director Alto to attend first organizing meeting and will report back on what is needed from the CRD
- c. Territory Acknowledgement
 - o Sue to draft a more concise phrasing for the Chair
- d. Indigenous Corporate Training - Bob Joseph and Staff Training
 - o Training for staff the last week of September, will offer a fall session for the Board
- e. Understanding the Village workshop
 - o Regional, community approach that includes, police, VIHA, etc.
 - o Staff to organize small trial session for October

7. Next Meeting Date

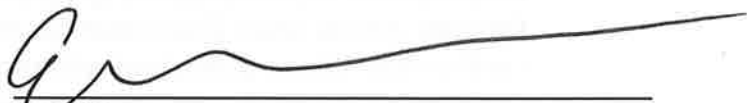
October 19th at 12:15pm in room 388

8. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30am



CHAIR



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