

Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources Research and Management
Board of Directors Meeting
September 12, 2006

Present: Sybille Haeussler (Chair), Brian Edmison, Kevin Kriese, Don Morgan, Paul Sanborn, Dave Wilford, Rick Budhwa (RPM), Kirsteen Laing (AA), David Loewen (RPA), Rasmus Astrup (research associate)

Note: Monthly information update circulated with agenda

- 1) Acceptance of Agenda
 - *Move to accept; seconded. Approved.*
- 2) Approval of June 13 Minutes
 - *Move to adopt minutes; seconded. Approved.*
- 3) Introduction of Rasmus Astrup
 - contracted as full-time research associate
 - recently completed his Ph.D. at UBC
 - will deliver a variety of projects that have been generated by the Centre as spin-offs of Dave Coates' research program and will develop new research projects in forest stand dynamics
- 4) 2006/07 Board Meeting Dates
 - October 10, November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, AGM March 6, April 17, May 15, June 12
- 5) FIA/FSP Audit Outcome
 - audit results summarised in information update; see Kirsteen for details
 - **Rick and Kirsteen to circulate protocol to ensure final reports are written (i.e. all deliverables are produced)**
- 6) Upcoming Workshops
 - SORTIE/complex stand management conference and workshop
 - in the process of identifying a cost recovery structure through registration fees
 - operating costs to be charged directly to project
 - funding workshop
 - Sept. 26 with FSP focus
 - informal, open invite
 - habitat and population analysis workshop
 - still at idea stage, December would be good time
 - statistics workshop
 - Sybille will coordinate
 - no cost to BVRC
- 7) Tsayenyee Bay Dic'cen Initiative
 - background information circulated with agenda
 - BVRC has been extensively engaged in the process; the proposal falls within mission and vision statement of BVRC
 - one of criteria for success is strong existing organisation and governance that can obtain funding
 - **Kevin to circulate discussion points wrt potential governance structures by to board by e-mail and set up conference call to discuss whether BVRC should be lead proponent**
- 8) Other Proposal Processes
 - Sustainable Forest Management Network - ~ 2 years of funding remain
 - Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council – some linkages possible through LUP process
 - Forest Science Program – funding workshop to encourage proposal submission
 - **Sybille to approach Enbridge regarding a proposal**
- 9) Irving Fox and Jim Pojar Awards
 - Dave W. to lead; Paul will sit on committee
 - will be advertised
 - **Kirsteen to send info to Dave W.**

Next Meeting – Oct. 10

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes taken by Rick Budhwa