

Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources Research and Management
Board of Directors Meeting
November 14, 2006

Present: Sybille Haeussler (Chair), Tom Buri, Dave Bustard, Rosemary Fox, Anne Harfenist, Kevin Kriese, Don Morgan, Paul Sanborn, Rick Budhwa (RPM), Kirsteen Laing (AA)

Note: Monthly information update circulated with agenda

- 1) Acceptance of Agenda
 - *Anne moved to accept; Rosemary seconded. Approved.*
- 2) Approval of September 12 Minutes
 - *Paul moved to adopt minutes; Kevin seconded. Approved.*
- 3) Introduction of Aaron Trowbridge
 - hired as junior research assistant
 - for next ~ 6 months will be primarily working with Rasmus Astrup and Dave Coates
- 4) Financial Update
 - quarterly financial report circulated by Kirsteen Nov. 14; tabled for information
 - smaller deficit than approved by board mainly because office expenses are lower than expected and we obtained a few more projects than projected
- 5) Research Project Summary
 - circulated by Kirsteen Nov. 14; tabled for information
- 6) Upcoming Workshops
 - **Kirsteen to post information for habitat supply workshop on website**
- 7) Proposal Updates
 - a) Tsayenyee Bay Dic'cen proposal submitted; decision may be delayed until January; thank-you letter to be sent to Sharon Robertson at Nadina
 - **All board members to review proposal for discussion about involvement of BVC (as proponent and/or facilitator) in similar types of initiatives should the opportunity arise again;**
 - **Sybille to recirculate proposal ~ one week in advance of next board meeting**
 - b) Approximately 20 FSP proposals submitted
 - **Don and Rick to find out whether co-administration between BVC and government department is possible for FSP projects**
 - c) Sybille continuing to pursue possible funding from Enbridge
 - d) oil and gas commission has a dedicated fund (Science and Community Environmental Knowledge); BVC should explore possibilities for research on coal bed methane through this fund
- 8) TK Policy Update
 - **Rick to forward draft to board within next 3 weeks; to be discussed and voted on at next board meeting**
- 9) Board Member Nominating Committee
 - **Anne to canvas present board members to determine who wishes to continue to serve**
 - **Don to solicit interest from new nominees**
- 10) New Business
 - a) Research Program Manager contract renegotiation
 - **Rick to develop options and circulate to Dave B., Kevin and Anne**
 - **Dave B., Kevin and Anne to recommend option to board at Dec. meeting**
 - b) Newsletter
 - **Rosemary, Anne and Kirsteen to solicit articles and prepare newsletter for distribution in early January**
 - c) Irving Fox fund
 - **Rosemary and Sybille to discuss and recommend option to board at January meeting**

Next Meeting – Dec. 12 at our new Main Street office

Meeting Adjourned - Minutes taken by Anne Harfenist