

Bulkley Valley Centre for Natural Resources Research and Management
Board of Directors Meeting
June 14, 2010
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Present: Laurence Turney (Chair), Debbie Cichowski, Brian Edmison, Rosemary Fox, Anne Harfenist, Andrea Kosalko, Bob Mitchell, Don Morgan, Rick Budhwa (RPM), Kirsteen Laing (AM)

Note: monthly information update was circulated prior to meeting

- 1) Acceptance of Agenda
 - *Debbie moved to accept with Agriculture moved to New Business; Anne seconded. Approved.*
- 2) Approval of May 10 draft Minutes
 - *Anne moved to adopt minutes with edit wrt website (sent to Irene); Brian seconded. Approved.*
- 3) Action Items from Previous Meeting(s)
 - a) Geosciences sub-committee – meeting with Smithers Exploration Group later in week will give better idea about feasibility of conference
 - b) Strategic Plan – edits incorporated; to be signed by this year’s board; strategic plan implementation committee = Debbie, Anne, Don and possibly others
 - c) Budget update – expenses on target; biggest issue is supporting members not renewing; Rick distributed list of potential supporting members – best to delay contacting some until fall when budgets are known
 - **Board members to contact potential members as agreed to at meeting**
 - **Board members to submit ideas of other potential supporting members to Rick**
 - d) Conference policy - deferred until after Interface Conference
 - e) Community Radio – posted on website
 - **Rick to send out e-mail to members soliciting interest in organizing a program**
 - f) Website – adding section on how projects have made a difference was deferred; page of upcoming funding opportunities not yet developed
 - **Kirsteen to work on latter**
 - g) Ecological resource materials – deferred
 - h) MoFR restructuring response – decided was not appropriate for BVRC to comment
 - i) Hiring policy – on website and in newsletter
 - j) Newsletter – completed and distributed
- 4) New Funding Opportunities
 - Climate Change Indicator – proposal not successful
 - Wetzin’kwa – no word yet; should know by end of June
- 5) Scholarship
 - Applications are in; committee to make decision by July
- 6) New Business
 - Agricultural research – we need a champion for this if we are to try to expand into a new area; decision to drop for now unless someone volunteers to take it on
 - BVRC as umbrella for NW Data Sharing Network – Don provided background on Network which is presently exploring options re how to move forward; one option is for Network to become a project under BVRC; after discussion, board is open to idea but need more information about feasibility
 - Political entities as members – discussion inconclusive
 - **Board to think about this for further discussion at September meeting**

Next Meeting – September 15

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes taken by Anne Harfenist