



## Board of Directors – Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6 PM PT.

Call to order at 6:00 pm PT

1. Roll call: Wayne Mercer (Chair), Ken Matthews (Treasurer), Amanda L'Heureux (Secretary), Phil Rankin, Ken McClelland, Dave Wharton, Ciel Sander (past Chair, ex-officio) and Louise Pedersen (Staff, ex-officio). Guest: Ximena Diaz Lopez (OR Fund update)

Regrets: Kim Reeves, Eric Vanderkruk (Vice-Chair), Rod Clapton, Byron Spinks

2. Approval of agenda as amended. Motion by Phil Rankin. Seconded by Cie Sander. Carried.

3. Approval of the September 20, 2023 meeting minutes.

a. Approval, errors, omissions. Motion to approve the September 20, 2023 minutes. Motion by Dave Wharton. Seconded by Phil Rankin. Carried.

b. Action items and business arising from the minutes

- Enquire about Ecological Communities
  - October board meeting discussion, start to knock on doors of MLAs about Outdoor Recreation
- Strategic Goal #5 sub-committee, reach out to a broader group than the ORC board.

4. Reports

a. Chair (WM)

b. Executive Director (LP) -fundraising, diversifying how we fundraise, looking for monthly, corporate donors, sponsors, maybe earlier in the year so we know what we're working with. RST proposal, in contact with Jenny for annual funding. Email to come to board members about the members survey, to provide feedback to LP. Parliament Secretary, should we have a board member reach out for a meeting? (Amandeep Singh) how to reach more underserved communities. Focus on common items not to get overwhelmed, keep the group small. Bring up issues that multiple members are facing.

c. Treasurer (KM) -finance report (balance sheet) presented

d. Reconciliation Committee (RC) - no update, RC away

e. Policy Committee (EV) - no update, EV away

f. Rail Trail Committee (KR) - no update, KR away

5. Matters for board discussion and information.

- a. Outdoor Recreation Fund of BC: Update (XDL) - Development Process Update, collect feedback from the board, fund purpose is the focus today, what is the purpose, to provide direction (what the fund aims to do), inspiration (attract applicants, donors and investors) and voice (raise awareness about organized outdoor rec sector). It's long-term, designed to support the outdoor rec sector, aligned with the grant agreement and ORCBC purpose and a function of ORCBC. Grant Agreement, establish an endowment fund, support delivery of ORCBC purpose. "Grants for outdoor recreation projects and initiatives". Discussion about "all British Columbians", all BC's that are involved in outdoor recreation, don't want to exclude anyone from applying."(PR)
- b. Using Slack as a board communications channel: Discussion (LP) -an app vs email for communication. Decided to stick with email for the board.
- c. Union of BC Municipalities Convention: Debrief (LP) -attended 3 days, met local gov reps, very worthwhile to be there, try to get on the agenda, next year, maybe a outdoor rec section/table at the event.
- d. 2024 provincial election and priorities: Discussion (LP) - table to next meeting
- e. letter to Rec Officer, Cherryville Rec Site (PR) - letter sent out today about rec site, waiting on a response.
- f. Watershed management initiative (DW) - attend event, government to support the initiative, absence of BC Hydro at the meeting, they will be involved in the future meetings, DW thinks ORC should be involved, wish Byron was here to talk about his presentation last month, LP questions if ORC should be involved.

6. Establishment of next Board meeting - November 20, 2023, at 6 pm PT

7. Adjournment at 8:00 pm PT, Motion to adjourn Ken McClelland

**ACTION ITEMS**

- LP email members survey to board members for feedback
- LP to talk to John and get back to the board
- Policy/Guidance about what ORC should get involved in
- Value for board members to have business cards (DW)
- Clothing with ORC logo for board members
- 5.d. 2024 provincial election and priorities: Discussion (LP) - table to next meeting
- DW to have further involvement in Watershed management initiative