

SLOCAN LAKE STEWARDSHIP SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

December 2, 2014, Zion United Church, Silverton, BC.

1. CALL TO ORDER

7:07 pm.

In attendance: Bruce Cottingham, Sally Hammond, Therese DesCamp, Margaret Hartley, Bob Fuhrer, Ellen Kinsel, Ann Meidinger.

Absent: none.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved: Therese, *“that the agenda be adopted and followed herein”*. **Seconded:** Margaret. **Carried.**

3. DELEGATION: Susan Haywood

Susan will be writing a cookbook to honor her late sister Lane Haywood. She plans to re-coup her costs from sales with remainder of profit to go to SLSS. Susan requested an informal contact at SLSS for coordination and Margaret Hartley volunteered. The contact and arrangement will be formalized once the project goes further.

4. OPERATIONS

4:1 Minutes:

Moved: Margaret, *“that the minutes be accepted as distributed”* **Seconded:** Sally. **Carried.**

4:2 Correspondence:

- Received and attached to minutes: Card and \$100.00 cheque from Battagin Family in honor of Peter Roulston.
- Presented by Bruce and attached to minutes: e-mail correspondence between Bruce and Jolene Raggett about plans for continuation of water studies in Slocan Lake watershed.

4:3 Financial Report:

- **Moved:** Ellen, *“that the October and November 2014 Financial Statement be accepted by the Board”*. **Seconded:** Sally. **Carried.**
- **Moved:** Ellen, *“that \$1000 be transferred from the Lane Haywood Legacy Fund to the Operating Fund as reimbursement for approved Science Framework expense with transfer to take place immediately.* **Seconded:** Therese. **Carried.**
- **Moved:** Ellen, *“that \$1379.14 be transferred from the Projects Fund to the Operating Fund to clear the amounts receivable and payable between the two funds, with transfer to occur after the final grant funding has been received from CBT”*. **Seconded:** Sally. **Carried.**
- **Moved:** Margaret, *“that Ellen be given full access to SLSS bank account and become signer if necessary.* **Seconded:** Sally. **Carried.**

4:4 General Administration: For consistency in-kind hours should correspond with financial year – Oct 1 to Sept 30. Bruce and Ellen will work on definition of “in kind”.

- 4:5 Grant Applications: Therese and Margaret submitted a grant application to FWCP (BC Hydro Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program) Small Grants program 15 November entitled *Thinking Like a Watershed*. A copy is enclosed in the minutes.
- 4:6 Volunteer Applicants: see item 8 – in camera session.
- 4:7 Reviewed board member assignments. All were content with current responsibilities. Ellen volunteered to maintain the membership list and Ann volunteered to look into list serves for mailing the membership. Otherwise, new members will take on duties as they learn the organization.
- 4:8 Format and process of AGM. Bruce will look into minimum requirements for presentation at AGM with aim of streamlining process.
- 4:9 New business: Ann will look into making e-mail contact to membership more efficient (list-serve).

5 SCIENCE AND WATERSHED ENHANCEMENT

5:1 Slocan Watershed Assessment and Monitoring Project (SWAMP): Bruce reported that Ryan Durand is requesting SLSS support for his application to Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program that will provide funds for next year's SWAMP activities. Discussion of misunderstanding generated by article in Valley Voice about bull trout spawning numbers in Silverton Creek.

5:2 New Business/Other:

Moved: Sally, *“that SLSS be authorized to purchase a Secchi Dip Kit for next spring or as soon as practically possible”*. **Seconded:** Therese. **Carried.**

6. EDUCATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS

Nothing new to report.

7. WATERSHED PROTECTION

- 7:1 Willa Mine (Discovery Ventures): Sally and Bruce will liaise with the Red Mountain Residents Association to provide advice and possibly equipment.
- 7:2 Logging is still scheduled by Interfor and letters have been sent with concerns about effects on spawning bull trout. A concerned member provided pictures of irresponsible road work that has put gravel in Silverton Creek.
- 7:3 Bruce provided materials that suggest ways to organize SLSS discussions around development of recommendation for Slocan Lake Management Plan and clear identity for SLSS organization.
- 7:4 Recent elections have resulted in major changes in Regional District Board and mayors of Nelson and Castlegar.

8. IN-CAMERA SESSION

9. FOR OUR INTEREST

- 9:1 Slocan Lake Management plan discussions seems to be delayed to 2016. Slocan Lake data will be dated and need updating before then (new videos for comparison with previous).
- 9:2 Streamkeepers had rather large event that no SLSS board member attended.

9:3 A KCP (Kootenay Conservation Program) meeting has been scheduled in Creston for organizations such as ours.

9:4 Bob and Sally found Columbia Basin Watershed network (CBWN) on Salmon in Columbia basin informative.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday, January 6, 2015, Zion United Church, Silverton.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Ann

9:10 pm

Recording Secretary: Ann Meidinger

Reviewed and Approved by the Board: January 6, 2015



Signed: Per _____
Bruce Cottingham, President