

Urban Aboriginal Strategy Group

MINUTES

July 5, 2005, 9:00am – 4:00 pm

Circle of Unity Room – PGNFC

Meeting called to order by: Betty Patrick, Vice-Chair

Opening Prayer by Jim Roberts

Attendees:

Call Centre, Betty Patrick

Disabilities, Jim Roberts

Education Forum, Ben Berland

Employment, Larry Pinchbeck

Housing, Leo Hebert

Lifeskills, Megan Hunt

Re-direct Membership Funds, Joanne TeeGee

Member, Zandra Ross

Moccasin Telegraph Project, Ray Gerow and Marcel Gagnon

Aboriginal Business Development Centre (ABDC), Veronica Creyke

Prince George Nechako Aboriginal Employment and Training Association (PGNAETA),

Karin Hunt and Lawney Chabot

Western Economic Diversification Canada (WED), Allyson Rowe, Federal UAS

Coordinator, and Damara Jacobs-Morris

Introductions: Project Champions Committee

Agenda: reviewed and accepted

<p>Agenda Item 4 Summary of June 13/05 meeting</p>	<p>1) amendments and changes were made to TOR - updated draft of funding proposal from PGNAETA</p> <p>2) To be consistent, the term Chair and Vice Chair is used, as decided at the April 13, 2005 meeting.</p> <p>New members – already in the TOR pg. 5, remove new members from the minutes.</p> <p>Minutes – changes to the TOR should be <i>italicized and bolded</i> as not incorporated into TOR until finalized by the PCC.</p> <p>Indicate changes to the TOR in the minutes so</p>	
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	we can cross reference and refer to page numbers.	
Agenda Item 5 Strategic Planning session cont'd	<p>Page 2 – Purpose Line 1 – Delete “While using and building upon the synergy of the Open Space technology.” Line 2 – Delete “enhancing” Replace with “using and building upon” Line 4 – Delete “ reflects diverse perspectives. The Stewardship Model” Line 6 – Delete “In summary” Line 8 – Delete “Therefore”</p> <p>Page 2 – Composition – we need to get representation from City of PG and Lheidli Tenneh.</p> <p>Page 2 – Duties of Member 2nd bullet – Delete “Have a significant time commitment”</p> <p>Page 3 – Duties of Member 2nd bullet – Delete “If unavailable to be physically present at meetings, ensure that input in writing, through an alternate or by proxy, is brought to the meeting [please see Proxy Voting below]” Line 5 – Delete “As members of the Project Champions Council, we have the support of the project group.”</p> <p>Page 3 – PGUAS Administrative Authority Bullet (a) Line 2 – Delete “can assist in project development” Bullet (b) Line 2 – Add “projects” after PGUAS Bullet (b) Line 3 – Delete “project” replace with “contract”</p> <p>Page 3 – Federal UAS Coordinator Change “WED” to “WD” Line 14 – insert “Indian Affairs” after “Urban Aboriginal Strategy Committee”</p> <p>Page 4 – line 4 – correct the spelling of Lheidli Tenneh (check entire document for correct spelling)</p>	<p>Action: Chair to write a letter inviting a representative.</p>

	<p>Page 4 – Quorum Line 1 – delete Comment (a) delete and change to “to schedule a meeting, one of two Chairs and the Federal UAS Coordinator of Western Economic Diversification, and 75%, including the Chair.” Comment (b) delete “in” change to “must be” Comment (c) delete entire comment</p> <p>Page 5 – Term of Membership Change the current paragraph to “The current term for service is from March 2005 to March 31, 2007. Once the term of service expires, the participants at future community meetings will determine the composition of the PCC.</p> <p>Page 5 – New Members Delete comment. Replace with “Within the current term the PGUAS-PCC will identify and define a process for membership for the next term.”</p> <p>Page 5 – Alternate Line 1 delete – replace with “In order to ensure quorum at all meetings PCC members will be asked to appoint an alternate where possible.” Line 2 – delete</p> <p>Page 5 – Non-Voting Member Delete entire “Non Voting Member” and its contents.</p> <p>Page 5 – Replacement of Members Delete paragraph and replace with “Where a PCC member is departing, due to unforeseen circumstances, the PCC can ask the project group to appoint another alternate.”</p> <p>Page 5 – Observers Change paragraph to read “At any duly called meeting of the PGUAS-PCC, observers may attend such meetings. Participation of the observers should be through a Project or government representative or at the discretion of the Chair.</p> <p>Page 6 – Linkages with existing Prince</p>	
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	<p>George Urban Aboriginal Working Group (PGUAWG) Line 1 – delete “at all levels”</p> <p>Page 6 – Conflict of Interest Line 1 – delete “someone” and change to “PCC members or a member of their immediate family” Line 1 – delete “personally” and change to “financially” Line 2 – change “deliberation or abstain” to “deliberation and abstain” [believe should be abstention, check when editing entire document] Delete last sentence.</p> <p>Page 6 – Award Process Line 1 – delete “direction to the Administrative Authority, the Committees will” replace with “will be responsible for the” The completion of the Award process was tabled for further discussion.</p> <p>Page 7 – Committees Delete section on committees.</p> <p>Page 8 – Non Member Attendance Delete section on Non Member Attendance</p>	
Agenda Item 6 Establish Communications Committee	<p>1) GVUAS recommends that a Communications Committee is necessary for press releases, etc. Communications committee will be: Zandra, Marcel, Allyson</p> <p>Research Committee – will discuss later</p>	Action: ask other members if they would like to sit on the committee.
Agenda Item 7	ABDC’s roles and responsibilities	Tabled to next meeting.
Agenda Item 8 PGNAETA – Funding proposal	<p>1) reviewed the changes. Finance committee to address process when organizations, that do not have a good financial history, provide a project.</p> <p>- Environmental assessment</p>	<p>Action: Karin to clarify with Steve (WD) for about milestones and activities. Action: Lawney needs to look at Treasury Board Guidelines.</p>
Agenda Item 9 GVUAS trip	Megan – written report on Vancouver trip.	

	<p>Zandra – spend as much time as possible on the strategy and implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - long term strategy - Magnate school concept <p>Veronica – research and policy, GVUAS is having a conference in November 2005</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - excellent networking opportunity - awards night would be a positive thing for the north. <p>Ray – communications strategy very important</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - tie into the local PG Community Planning Council - GVUAS offered to host PGUAS again in November 2005 <p>Leo – need to develop new linkages with the private sector</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - met with Charlotte Murns, Chair of the Urban Aboriginal Homeless who is going to provide Leo with some research - to do a “needs and demands study” - very important to develop current research funds - CMHC does have services - hold workshops on developing sustainable partnerships - tools could be of benefit to the PCC <p>Lawney – suggested a working group establish an RFP process in the 1st year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communications strategy is critical - Municipal and rural infrastructure funding, place based community funding (DIAND) - Awards committee funds – NDP budget that has been targeted to off and on reserve funding. <p>Betty – informative trip, highlight being the achievement awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - excellent musical talent, need to showcase Aboriginal talent in the North. - excellent after school program <p>Marcel – Awards for the North, already knows people who have made the contacts</p>	
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Miscellaneous	<p>Project #5 has no PC</p> <p>Need to contact Project Champions that are not present at the meetings, as we have only 16 members.</p>	<p>Action: Chair to send a letter to UNN asking for representation.</p> <p>Action: Angela will contact PCC's</p>
Agenda Item 11	As we are getting into summer holidays it might be hard to find a date where we will have a quorum.	Action: Angela will send out a few dates and let the PCC know.
Agenda Item 12	Closing prayer – Jim Roberts	