

Board Meeting

January 16, 2007

Attendees: Dick Wilson, Chair
Cathy Thompson
Gerrad Oishi
Jean Creagh
Karin Simpson
Cathy Sinclair-Smythe
John Phillips
Amber Hewwing
Joan Jeary
Hope Henderson
Bonnie Johnston, CEO
Pat Johnston
Sandra Gafos, Recorder

Guest Joni Morrison O'Hara Chris Brennan

Regrets: Bill Brunton

APPROVED Minutes

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Action/Decision
Meeting called to order at 6:05pm		
1. Case Practice Model (Joni Morrison O'Hara, Executive Manager)	<p>Joni circulated the new Case Work Practice Model information package, which included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 2006 Update• Regional Update – November 11, 2006• Diagram – Current Model and New Model <p>The Casework Practice Model builds on current best practice already happening in the field and will align practice with the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act. The Casework Practice Model will improve consistency of casework across the province and will help region staff to provide better support to children, youth and families in need. The model increases the emphasis on intake and assessment at the front end.</p> <p>Children's Services will begin implementing the Casework Practice Model through a number of "champion sites" in each Child and Family Services Authority and three Delegated First Nations Agencies. The provincial roll-out of the new model will be phased in over the next 18 months.</p>	
2. Approve Agenda		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Chair made a motion to accept agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. Approval of Minutes December 12, 2006		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2006 Board meeting.• The Chair made a motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2006 with noted changes. The motion was carried unanimously.
4. CEO Dialogue (Bonnie Johnston)		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-camera session.

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5. Sustainable Resources and Audit Committee a) Financial Information	The CEO reviewed and discussed the letter that was sent to the department on today's date, January 16, 2007 detailing Region 3's operations budget submission for 2007-10.	
6. Communication Committee (Bill Brunton, Chair) a) MLA/Treasury Board Advocacy (Dick Wilson)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy plan to be announced at a later date.
b) Dr. Martin Brokenleg Event (Amber Hewwing)	Amber provided an update on the progress of the Dr. Martin Brokenleg event and circulated the RSVP list. A request was made to have a Board member introduce Dr. Brokenleg at the afternoon session.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to contact Amber if they are available to introduce Dr. Brokenleg at the afternoon session.
c) CPEF Planning Committee (Amber Hewwing)	Amber reviewed the CPEF presentation made at the Communication Committee. The planning of the conference is in progress. The organizer of the conference requested a Board member to join the Planning Committee. Bill Brunton has volunteered to participate in the planning of the Kananaskis Conference. CPEF also invited Board representation on their Steering Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information for the CPEF Steering Committee to be provided at the February Board meeting.
d) Business Plan Review (Bonnie Johnston and Chris Brennan)	<p>The Communication Manager had previously itemized and highlighted eight priorities of the Business Plan.</p> <p>The 'Potential Initiatives Arising from Community Consultation' document was distributed by Bill Brunton. A brief discussion occurred regarding the Communication Committee's summary of their top three priorities from the "What was Said" document that could be incorporated into the Business Plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board members requested an email of the "What was Said" document to review and select top three priorities for discussion during the Business Plan portion of the February Board meeting.
7. Governance Committee Decision Making Workshop (Gerrad Oishi, Chair)	<p>The Board Chair informed the Board that one of our Board members, Gerrad Oishi, was appointed as co-chair of the Brenda Strafford Foundation.</p> <p>Gerrad circulated a briefing note detailing the discussion from the Decision Making Workshop.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board members will have the opportunity to vote at the next meeting. • Gerrad to revise and re-circulate briefing note prior to next board meeting.
8. Aboriginal Meeting Update (Hope Henderson)	Hope provided a brief update on the Aboriginal meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of Reference and recommendation to be made at the February Board meeting.
9. Next Meeting – Agency Location (Dick Wilson)	The Chair suggested holding one or two Board meetings a year at an agency office. Members had the opportunity to provide feedback and agreed to have the Governance Committee address this issue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance Committee to discuss the possibility of holding Board meetings at other locations.
Adjournment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.