

NICC Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Thursday February 1st, 2018 @ 5:00 pm @ IFS

Conference Call Information: 1-877-353-9184 Participant ID: 6207347

Members Present:

Member	Company	NICC Board Position	Present/Absent
Judy Carlson	MFLNRO – PG District	Secretary	Present
Alex Burkinshaw	Allnorth	Director at Large	Present
Greg Jonuk	MFLNRO – Omineca Region	Director at Large	Present
Andrew Potter	IFS	Registrar & Treasurer	Present
Tim Giesbrecht	IFS	Treasurer	Absent
Brandon Collison	CANFOR – PG	Training Officer	Present
Dave Morrow	CANFOR – FS John	Director at Large	Absent
Eric McCormick	Westland Resources –Terrace	Director at Large	Absent
Tyler Suel	IFS	Director at Large	Absent
Luke Wichrowski	MFLNRO – FS James	Director at Large	Present
Eric Kishkan	West Fraser - Quesnel	Chair	Present
Calvin Strom	CONIFEX – Mackenzie	Vice-Chair	Present
Jarmo Laitinen	BCTS – PG District	Director at Large	Absent

Agenda:

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - Last meeting was January 11th, 2018.
 - Approved by all.
2. Action Items from the Previous Meetings Minutes

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19	2017-02-14: Go to bank and sign documents.	Greg Jonuk/ Tim Giesbrecht/ Andrew Potter	In Progress	2017-03-02: Tim will take the letter to the bank and let Greg know when it is ready to go at the bank. 2017-03-30: Tim and Andrew were looking into switching banks again. We currently bank at BMO. They will look into CIBC and maybe Intergris. 2017-04-13: Nothing new as of yet. 2017-11-02: Andrew says that we are not changing banks. Andrew will get the letter done up again for signing authorities and coordinate getting it signed at the bank with Tim and Greg. 2017-12-07: Still in progress. 2018-02-01: Tim is working on it.
01	2017-11-02: Update the website with the new board of directors and AGM dates.	Tyler Suel/ Andrew Potter	In Progress	2017-12-07: In progress. 2018-01-11: Andrew went through the whole website and has made a list of things to get updated (i.e. AGM dates,

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				registration deadline, dinner attendance, board members, meeting minutes, photos, etc.). 2018-02-01: Andrew will have it all finalized within the next week.
02	2017-11-02: Figure out the venues for the AGM.	Tyler Suel & Andrew Potter	Completed 2018-02-01	2017-12-07: In progress. Andrew has looked into UNBC and the Sandman and is waiting for information back from the Ramada and the Civic Centre. 2018-01-11: UNBC has been secured for the day. We are going to use the same space as last year. Just waiting on a confirmation on the total cost. Signature sandman is booked for the dinner but still not satisfied with seating arrangements there. Meeting with Ramada tomorrow to find out what the options are. 2018-02-01: Andrew has booked the Canfor Theatre for the office day and will book the Ramada for the dinner.
03	2017-11-02: Find a field site for the 2018 AGM.	Brandon Collison & Judy Carlson	In Progress	2017-12-07: Still looking for a new site. 2018-02-01: Judy had a couple coworkers go out and look for a new site for NICC this year. Will got out again soon to look at the Salmon FSR site.
05	Finalize the financial summary ASAP.	Tim Giesbrecht	In Progress	2018-02-01: Tim is working on it.

3. Financial Summary

- There is currently \$32,000 in the account.
- See action item above.

4. Website Update

- See action item above.
- There has been some difficulties getting the PayPal site to work for counting the number of attendees for the banquet dinner. Andrew suggested a solution of different prices so it can be easily identified. \$149 without the dinner and \$150 with the dinner to differentiate between who said they want to attend the dinner and not. This the only way we can get the numbers from the website at the moment. The board agreed with this approach and Andrew will finish updating the site ASAP.

5. 2018 AGM Planning

- Date: **The AGM will be Wednesday May 2nd & Thursday May 3rd 2018.**
- Venues:
 - UNBC is booked for the office session.

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- We have decided to go with the Ramada for the banquet dinner so we can accommodate a larger number of people and not have to turn anyone away from the event.
- Guest Speakers Confirmed:
 - Erik Kishan – Dinner Presentation
 - Wildfire impacts - West Fraser’s Chief Forester, Jeff Mycock – Some observations from an industry standpoint on the following topics and how they relate to wildfire salvage:
 - a. Timber supply impacts (could scratch if John Pousette is going to address this)
 - b. Layout challenges
 - c. Comparative cruises
 - d. Appraisal initiatives
 - e. Harvesting challenges
 - f. Cut to cruise observations
 - g. Milling challenges/observations.
 - Greg
 - Spruce` Beetle Update – Jeanne Roberts
 - Waste – Chris Shallows – Will give a waste update.
 - Timber Supply – Wildfire & FN – John Pousette
 - Director of Timber Pricing Branch – Allan Bennet
 - Cruise Manual Updates – Mike Weddell (New Beth Eagles)
 - Wildfires – Doug Smith, WMB
 - Jarmo
 - Compilation Comparison non-sampling error comparison illustration (15 minute presentation & 5 minutes for questions)
- Guest Speakers Suggestions:
 - Greg
 - Regional Pathologist – Jewel Yurkewich – Still waiting for confirmation
 - Insects – Spruce Beetle, Fir Beetle, Code 5 or 6
 - Wildfires – Impact on the Land Base, Burned Timber Codes
 - Cut to Cruise – CANFOR - Brandon
 - Comparative Cruises
 - Compilations – Jim Wilson
- Swag:
 - We spent \$2,000 last year.
 - **ACTION ITEM: Alex will look into getting beer for prizes for after the dinner presentation again this year.**
 - Andrew will contact IRL to see if they are available to attend again with a booth on site.
- Field Site:
 - Judy had a couple of coworkers go out and look into field sites.
 - Salmon FSR – had a lot of parking and looked like an older stand with some damage potential and possibly some Spruce Beetle.

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- England Creek FSR – a small fire location with some burn trees but not much else was noted in terms of damage or Spruce Beetle.
 - North Fraser – most of the stands that are easy to access have been recently harvested.
 - Field Station Suggestions:
 - Heights – How to calculate heights. Actually take heights at the station.
 - Ages – How to get a good age, open conversation about drilling dead trees.
 - Calibration – Importance of properly calibrated instruments.
 - Tips and Tricks – with blowdown measure down from top to 10 cm to see how far the top is to 10 cm space, drilling from the backside to see about scars, etc.
6. Any Other Business
- Brandon Collison is resigning from the NICC board as he is changing jobs and will not be able to commit time to the board right now. His presence and knowledge on the board will be missed.
7. Next Meeting Date & Time
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Meeting Adjourned: 6:09 pm

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