

# Boundary Forest Watershed Stewardship Society

## Board Meeting Minutes

12noon, May 5, 2019

At Kathleen's home

Chairperson Kathleen Gabelmann

1. **7:00 pm.** Meeting call to order with Blair Engel, Kathleen Gabelmann, Ray Hanson, Jennifer Houghton, Tony Kost, Stan Swinarchuk and Joanne Waite in attendance. Absent is Courtenay Redding. Roy Schiesser is on his way. **Approval of Agenda-** Jennifer asked to add 4.e AAC and 4.f Liason with industry. Stan corrected the start time to 12 noon. Ray noted that #2 should just be the Board meeting minutes. Motion to approve Blair; Seconded by Stan.
  
2. **Approval of minutes** from meeting held 23 April 2019. Jennifer read the Board meeting minutes and Ray motioned they be approved. Seconded by Jennifer.
  
3. **Old Business:**  
  
N/a
  
4. **New Business:**
  - a. Finalize Society officers- President : Jennifer Houghton  
Vice President: we will hold off until Roy arrives  
Treasurer: Joanne Waite  
Secretary: Courtenay Redding
  - b. Society paperwork and registration- we each signed the paperwork Jennifer had asking for our names and address and email. She will be sending all the paperwork in: will need to reimburse Courtenay approximately \$30.00
  - c. Society bylaws – draft and confirmation Jennifer read over the bylaws that were generic online ones. Motion to accept -Ray. Seconded by Blair. Passed unanimously.
  - d. Committees, members, leadership- Switched to using the title of 'Teams' instead of committees.i)Finance and Fundraising - Joanne and Kathleen  
ii)Communications and Publicity- Jennifer and possibly Lynn  
iii) Research – Ray and Jennifer  
iv) Fieldwork- Stan  
v) Marketing and Membership- Jennifer. Kathleen suggested that we have a category called 'Associate' membership.  
vi) Education – Roy and Tony. Stan suggested going into schools.  
Note that Team Leads do not have to be on the Board of Directors  
Kathleen wrapped up the Team discussion by suggesting that all Team Leads come prepared to the next BFWSS meeting to talk about your committee and ask for others to join your team.
  - e. **AAC** – Ray Hanson-700,000 typically; recently brought down to 670,000.

670,000- AAC  
+35,000 -wood lots  
+185,000- Interfor Tree lot licence

So pushing 1 million cubic meters plus Community Forests ( 20 or 21,000) . Plus a licence to Indigenous groups. Kathleen suggested a “briefing sheet”. Also private land logging must be added. Ray got these figures from a data base; he needs help making a spreadsheet. Joanne suggested it be called Total Harvest.

f. Liaison with industry- Ray wondered if Interfor and BCTS could/would supply us with a liason.

5. Interior Watershed groups- Jennifer told us about organizing a meeting among interior groups. Getting together in June would focus on Water sustainability act. In September – a follow up get together.
6. Grant Funding to pay project coordinator ASAP- Jennifer talked about this.
7. Grant funding to hire a consultant ASAP to help us go over logging plans and prep us for government meetings- Jennifer explained this..

**NOTE:** The following 4 items were also discussed:

POLUS and Water Sustainability Act- Ray read us an explanation. Jennifer and Ray are going to contact POLUS to see if they would be interested.

Inventory study info- Jennifer told us about this.

Bill 22 Forest and Range Revitalization Act-Ray would like to draft a letter to ask that our group be kept in the loop going forward. Jennifer and Ray to work on this together.

Vice President role- Roy was asked and he accepted

8. **Next** meeting reminder: Group Meeting possibly May 14 or 18 at Station Pub. Also June 18. Jennifer will confirm. Next Board meeting – possibly once a month.
9. 2:29 p.m. Meeting adjourned