

Board Teleconference Minutes



June 5, 2020, 1:00-2:50 pm

Minutes by Deborah Simmons

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

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SRRB	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board
SSI	Sahtú Secretariat Inc.

Agenda

- Opening prayer and quorum check
- Board chair and Board membership
- Staffing and audit

Participants

Note that George Barnaby and Camilla Rabisca's terms have expired.

Board Members

Camilla Tutcho (Interim Chair appointed at this meeting, until 2:30 pm), Faye D'Eon-Eggertson, Samuel Haché, Jennie Vandermeer

Staff

Deborah Simmons

Other Guests

Nick Sowsun

Opening

- Prayer by Camilla Tutcho
- Quorum check: 3/4

Board Chair and Board Membership

Presentation by Nick Sowsun and Deborah Simmons

Board Chair

- Since George Barnaby's term as Board Member has expired, an Interim Chair needs to be appointed as soon as possible. According to the Board's current Operating Procedures, the Board must appoint a Board Member as Interim Chair.
- Ideally the Interim Chair would be a resident of the Sahtú region, per the land claim requirement for Ministerial appointments, and a Sahtú beneficiary, per previous Board practice. There was one case in which a non-beneficiary was appointed as a last resort.
- The Chair would need to have ability to communicate by video, email etc, which might require training.
- An Executive Committee can be struck to support the Interim Chair.
- Nick will explore options for Interim Chair appointment (eg. can the Board's policy be changed?).
- There are challenges with respect to availability of current Board members for chairing duties.
- Chairing can take more or less time, depending on the availability and approach of the person appointed.
- A Board Chair needs to be nominated for appointment by the Minister as soon as possible. The Board delayed the nomination due to being in the midst of a Public Listening proceeding (so as to ensure continuity in the Chairing).

Motion 2021-001

M2021-001	Camilla Tutcho is appointed Interim Chair on the understanding that the Board will move to a rotating Interim Chair approach as soon as possible, and will seek to nominate a chair for ministerial appointment as soon as possible.	Consensus
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Board Membership

- SSI K'áhsho Got'Iné District nominees: Camilla Rabisca and George Barnaby submitted letters of interest in renewal of their appointments to the SSI in August 2019.
- SSI Tulit'a District nominees:
 - Rhea McDonald submitted a letter of interest in August 2019.
 - One SSI Tulit'a District nominee was declined.
 - Two additional people are interested in nomination by the SSI; Deb will follow up.
- SSI DélIné District nominees: These two positions are filled.

Audit and Staffing

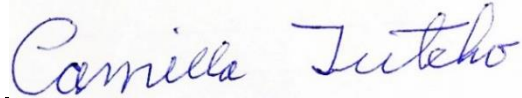
- The SRRB will be undertaking an enhanced audit this year for full transparency.

- On the Land Program Manager Alexa Scully resigned in April; her last day of work was May 1.
- The SRRB has challenges in retaining staff, especially staff with children since there are no childcare services in the community. OKT will assist the Board in developing a childcare supplement policy.
- SRRB staff will undergo a job description and salary review by reference to the scale established by the Government of the NWT.
- Performance appraisals are currently being completed with staff.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Approved by Board decision, June 11, 2020.



Camilla Tutcho, Acting Chair

Summary of Motions

Number	Description	Result
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