



**Provincial Advisory Committee Conference Call
April 9, 2016**

Attendees

Community Council Members:

Dawn Robertson, Upper Fraser	Ashley Baker, North Shore Sunshine Coast
Colleen Larson, North Okanagan	Barb Paciejewski, Simon Fraser
Mark Skelton, Central and Upper Island	Michelle Goos, South Island
Marcella Harrington, Central/South Okanagan	Lynnetta Beingessner, Kootenay
Ruth Shannon, Richmond	Jessica Humphrey

CLBC Board:

Onkar Biring
Jane Holland
Mona Murray

CLBC Staff:

Megan Tardif – Director, Quality Assurance
Sylvie Zebroff – Family Partnership Advisor, Quality Assurance
Jessica Humphrey – Self Advocate Advisor, Quality Assurance

Regrets:

Gord Robertson, North Region
Victoria Stratton, Surrey-Delta-White Rock

Minutes prepared by:

Trudy Sargent – Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Megan Tardif called the meeting to order at 10:05am suggesting she step in to lead the meeting in the absence of a Board Chair.

Motion

Megan Tardif **moved** for approval. All committee members **motioned** approval for Megan to lead the meeting.

CARRIED

Megan Tardif conducted roll call to confirm those in attendance on the conference call.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda for the meeting was reviewed.

Motion

Megan Tardif **moved** for approval. All committee members **motioned** the approval of the agenda.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting conducted on January 23, 2016 were tabled for approval at the next meeting in June 2016.

Motion

Megan Tardif **moved** for approval. All committee members **motioned** approval for January 23, 2016 minutes to be approved at the June 2016 meeting.

CARRIED

4. Nomination of a new PAC Chair

Nomination Process:

- Per the recent update sent out by Megan Tardif, Cheryl Fisher has stepped down.
- Nominations have not come forward for this conference call but there were a couple of people from the Community Council's expressing interest.
- Nominations will likely come from the PAC Rats, i.e. potentially Rob Spina.
- Nomination and Elections will likely happen in June, on the evening of June 3rd. Board approval is required to elect a Chair.
- If a Chair isn't elected then an Acting Chair will be nominated for the meeting on June 4th.

ACTION: Megan Tardif to check with Kanapa if there is another event planned for the evening of June 3rd and also, will confirm if meetings can end by 6:30pm to allow for nominations and election of Chair.

ACTION: Ruth Shannon will call in for the nomination and election process.

NOTE: Colleen Larson has offered to be Acting Chair for June 3rd Meeting. Megan Tardif mentioned may ask for the 4th as well.

5. Agenda Planning for the Joint June Meeting and Council/Manager Friday Afternoon Workshops

Per the email sent from Sylvie Zebroff on April 7th, the June Meeting will be held at:

Venue:

Pacific Gateway Hotel
Address: 3500 Cessna Dr.
Richmond
Phone: (604) 278-1241

ACTION: Jessica Humphrey will send out an email outlining the venue details, i.e. reservations, parking, etc...

Draft Agenda:

Sylvie Zebroff facilitated the discussion on the draft Agenda for the June Meeting. The PAC were asked to provide suggestions for workshops they would be interested in. Ideas and suggestions are noted below.

Date	June 3rd, 2016	June 4th, 2016
Morning	Board Meeting (attendees are the Pac Rats Community Council Members and Representatives, Combined Managers	Joint Meeting Agenda Items and Umbrella topics:
Afternoon	Smaller Workshops suggested for Friday. Suggestions were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rotary at Work • Community Development • BC Housing Presentation • Service for People with Complex Needs (Victoria, Kelowna), i.e. street entrenched, collaboration with Mental Health. • CLBC Screening and Intake Process such as Prioritization (Seniors, Individual and Family). What can CLBC provide? What can clients expect for support and services available? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review project achievements of the council members. Will have different stations people will move through to hear about activities. • New Strategic Plan 2017 for CLBC – Jack Styan • Profiles of community councils • Council Success and Challenges • Inclusive Housing Forum Summary - Jack Styan • Alternative services which might be a better fit for people • Community Engagement – Jessica asked the committee what would be helpful. Suggestions were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An update from the Housing forum meeting in March - How are partners working in collaboration?
Evening	Nominations and Election for Committee Chair	

ACTION: Sylvie Zebroff and Megan Tardif will review the agenda suggestions and propose a draft agenda to share with everyone – Approval of Agenda is assigned to the CLBC Board – Onkar, Jane and Mona

6. Discussion of potential PAC response to the PWD rate/bus pass changes scheduled for this September, 2016 – Item put forward by Marcella Harrington, PAC member.

ACTION The council noted per a letter received from BC Transit - Pass Holders have a choice to make by July 1st as the current bus pass will end in September.

A general discussion took place on the various interpretations of this letter but nothing concrete was understood.

The committee expressed confusion and concern surrounding the ambiguity and gaps related to this change. The criteria and language needs to be clearer so pass holders can make the right choice. **Concerns highlighted were:**

- Concern surrounding the information which states you will be getting \$77 is not clear and some people may jump at receiving increased money without fully understanding the gaps involved.
- How does it affect Seniors?
- What are the differences between BC Transit, Trans Link and HandiDart, etc.?
- Require further clarification on compass cards (in replacement of Bus Pass) and how they work, i.e. available concession fairs.

ACTION: Megan Tardif noted CLBC is not able to provide advocacy on the Bus Pass matter but CLBC is responsible for ensuring information is clear and relevant and will reach out to Senior Management for assistance with clarification.

ACTION: Jessica Humphrey mentioned that Randy Schmidt has been working on obtaining clarified information and would speak to him about any updates.

ACTION: Megan Tardif suggested to the Community Council Members as Representatives of PAC, they are invited to reach out to their MLA's for assistance as well.

ACTION: Jessica Humphrey to contact Linda McGowan, Consumer Advocacy Manager, MVT Canadian Bus Inc. and speak to her about providing information sessions on public transportation, Compass Cards, HandyDART, HandyCard, TaxiSavers, etc. for interested councils and family groups. Jessica will forward contact information to PAC once received.

Adjournment

The annual joint PAC and Board meeting is scheduled for June 3rd and 4th, 2016