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Meeting Summary

FRAFS Executive Committee SNTC Boardroom – Kamloops Tuesday, April 21, 2015

1. Roll call, review, adjust, and accept the agenda
2. Old business:
 - Notes from the previous meeting
 - Action items from the previous meeting
3. 2014/15 Budget Expenditures: Update and Report
4. 2015/16 Work Plan and Budget Review
5. Update: Operations Manager recruitment process
6. Forum schedule for the 2016 fishing season.
7. Agenda for the April 28th meeting with the RDG. EC review draft document.
8. Update for the Area 29 FSC access planning committee/budget

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- Notes from the previous meeting.

Draft circulated, revised as required and approved.

- Action items from the previous meeting.

All Action Items from the previous meeting were completed.

3. 2014/15 Budget Expenditures: Update and Report

Operations Manager led the EC through a line item by line item review of current expenditures.

4. 2015/16 Work Plan and Budget Review

A mid-river EC member asked: Would it be helpful to look at last year's budget and compare it to the 2015/16 Work Plan? Have we looked at what we learned from last year's budget and how that's built into next year's workplan. Both answers were in the affirmative.

There was a request for more communications products from the consultants working on the Chinook Strategic Planning Initiative. An Upper Fraser EC member said that he'd follow up.

5. Update: Operations Manager recruitment process

The Communications Manager reported on the recruitment strategy (ex.: 'short' job posting; social media).

The EC and Selection Committee discussed the interviews and reference checks processes. The Operations Manager will contact the selected candidate and report back to the EC.

6. Forum schedule for the 2016 fishing season.

The goal is to line the Forum schedule up with better technical data delivery to the JTWG and to confirm the dates by mid-August. The Chair asked that the DFO rep touch base with the JTWG Co-Chairs so that they have input.

7. Agenda for the April 28th meeting with the RDG. EC review draft document.

The EC discussed topics on the draft list of Agenda items that the Communications Manager tracked. They decided that the following items, with a specific amount of time allotted to each, will be on the Agenda for the meeting with the RDG:

- Continued funding for the FSMC
- Consultation: IFMP / Forum
- Federal Consultation Policy
- Fraser Steelhead
- FSC Allocation Framework Process
- New/Emerging Fisheries Policy

8. Update for the Area 29 FSC access planning committee/budget.

A DFO EC member reported that a Working Group at DFO wanted to hold two facilitated multi-First Nations meeting. The purpose of these meetings is to: build an understanding of each group's interests; establish general principles; and develop fisheries management scenarios if access is granted, then consultation on those scenarios.

The Working Group had three specific requests to the EC:

- 1) Will FRAFS do the logistics?
- 2) Budget: funds?
- 3) Will FRAFS coordinate hiring the Facilitator?

There was discussion and decision that: (1) the response to all three requests was "no" and (2) a detailed explanation from the Chair would follow the next day.

Summary of Action Items

- 1) RDG meeting: Communications Manager to format and circulate Agenda for approval. (Done)
- 2) Request from DFO re: Access/Allocation meetings: Operations Manager to draft and send letter to DFO. (Done)
- 3) Upper Fraser Rep will raise the issue of communications re: the CSPI progress at the SPC.
- 4) Operations Manager: check the Letter of Understanding (LOA) between NTA and the FRAFS EC to see if it requires any updating; and send copies to the EC members.