

EMAB Board Meeting
FEBRUARY 26 and 27, 2002
EMAB Board Room, Yellowknife

Approved by Board Motion # 6 02-05-15

Present:

Robert Turner, Chair, North Slave Metis Alliance
Floyd Adlem, Vice-chair, Government of Canada
Alex Buchan, Kitikmeot Inuit Association, *via teleconference*
Johnny Weyallon, Dogrib Treaty 11 Council
Lawrence Goulet
Florence Catholique
Brett Hudson GNWT alternate (*day 2 only*)
Eric Christianson DDMI alternate (*day 2 only –1 0:30 to close*)

Staff:

Kirstie Simpson, Executive Director, EMAB

Guests:

Murray Swyripa, Diavik Diamond Mines Inc (*day 1, morning*)
Eric Yaxley, Government of Canada (*resource person*)
Francis Blackduck, Dogrib Treaty 11 (*resource person*)

Absent:

Doug Doan, GNWT
Paul Partridge, Government of Nunavut
Cindy Gilday, Diavik Diamond Mines Inc
Johnny Weyallon, Dogrib Treaty 11 Council (*am Feb 26 only*)

Agenda Item	Discussion / Recommendation	Action
Agenda	Agenda approved	
Minutes of November 20-22	<p>The discussion of computers to be purchased for the aboriginal board members as a separate item from capacity funds was identified as missing.</p> <p>All minutes should be sent out to the parties once final.</p> <p>Motion: #1-02-02-26 To accept the November 20-22 Minutes with changes as agreed.</p>	<p>E.D to ensure that any referred to attachments are with the minutes</p> <p>E.D to amend minutes and finalize</p> <p>E.D to ensure that final minutes from all board meetings go to all parties.</p>

	<p>Moved: Florence Catholique Seconded: Lawrence Goulet Carried: Unanimous</p>	
<p>Review of Letter's of February 19 and 20 from DDMI</p>	<p>The Board discussed the letters received from DDMI on February 19 and 20 concerning receipt of documentation concerning EMAB's incorporation and what DDMI would like to see in EMAB's annual report.</p> <p>The DDMI Auditor needs to confirm how the money given to EMAB was spent. DDMI would like to see a summary of how community information was provided, a summary of reporting to those communities and what the board members have done this year. Although DDMI was quite specific in their direction Mr. Swyripa said they were just trying to be helpful in terms of what DDMI wants.</p> <p>DDMI wants a more formal procedure on information exchange. Wants minutes/copies of key documents and will send over someone to copy those items if needed.</p> <p>DDMI suggested that there should be an annual meeting of the parties, which could be tied into the release of the annual report and AGM.</p> <p>In turn, DDMI was asked that someone should be at each meeting to provide EMAB with a briefing on the project.</p>	<p>E.D to prepare response letters to DDMI for Chair.</p> <p>Phil du Toit will do a project briefing at the next board meeting.</p> <p>EMAB to consider a meeting of the parties.</p>

<p>Review of Draft Letter prepared by E.D to DIAND and Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board.</p>	<p>The board discussed the need to send a letter to DIAND and MVLWB concerning the lack of inspection services. A draft letter prepared by the E.D was reviewed and the board agreed to send the letter.</p>	<p>Chair to sign letter E.D to send.</p>
<p>Budget</p>	<p>A draft budget and monthly financial statement was provided to the board</p>	<p>Board to review.</p>
<p>ED signing authority</p>	<p>The E.D currently has spending authority granted by the executive committee of up to \$2000. The Board was asked to authorize signing authority as well.</p> <p>Motion: #2-02-02-26</p> <p>To authorize E.D to sign cheques. Moved: Johnny Weyallon Seconded: Florence Catholique Carried: Unanimous</p>	<p>Chair to sign letter to Royal Bank authorizing addition of E.D as signatory. E.D to go to Bank and add signature to signing authority.</p>
<p>Computers</p>	<p>E.D provided copies of computer proposals to board for review. All supply companies in Yellowknife were asked to bid. Three bids were received. Each aboriginal board member is to receive a computer/printer and fax to assist with capacity building. An additional computer (for the communications staff person) was added to the bid proposal in order to secure a better package price.</p> <p>Motion: #3-02-02-26</p> <p>To accept the Arctic Data computer purchase bid as submitted. Moved: Florence Catholique Seconded: Floyd Adlem</p>	<p>E.D to notify Arctic Data and arrange for purchase. Delivery and distribution</p>

<p>Environmental/ Communications analyst job description</p>	<p>Carried: Unanimous</p> <p>The board reviewed the job description to see if it was what they needed. Bob iterated that this office has to help the board members and ongoing communication is needed to help get out information.</p> <p>Lawrence said that he did not need any help right now. Will pay elders out of capacity funds and Rachel will be helping. E.D reiterated that if he or any of the other board members need someone to come to a meeting (staff or consultants) to call.</p> <p>Question: Should EMAB have a communications think tank?</p> <p>John McCullum's communication outline was distrihuted.</p>	<p>Board to consider having a communications think tank.</p>
<p>Reports</p>	<p>A discussion was held about solving the problem of getting reports. The board would like to receive important environmental monitoring reports in draft and as early as possible so that there is as much review time as possible.</p> <p>Board members need to submit comments if they have any. This is part of the roles and responsibilities discussion.</p> <p>Having computers with Email communication will help. Some Board members said they would like a course.</p>	<p>E.D to ask DDMI to send a copy of all reports to the board members c/o the EMAB office as well as continue to send a copy to the parties as well.</p> <p>Next meeting need to discuss the roles and responsibilities of board members vs. the parties.</p> <p>E.D to arrange computer training.</p>

EMAB AGM	Board to consider September 23/27 for the AGM. This meets the timelines set out in the bylaws.	
EMAB Annual Report.	Discussion on the EMAB's annual report. Should we have a contract let to write the report? We should present the findings of the two workshops, and be clear to the public and DDMI on what we have reviewed and what we have missed. Describe what the cycle looks like in terms of how the info comes in. We could provide a general overview and provide the company with a report card. The Annual report could be a powerful tool. Each party needs a format to follow. Florence asked if we should question the principles of the E.A and say how it was accomplished? Lawrence said that he thought the parties should report on caribou, fish, tk and on how the capacity funds were spent.	E.D to flesh out the annual report. Don't do a newsletter at this time.
Nunavut Board Member	Alex mentioned that transboundary wildlife/water issues are not being dealt with because of the absence of Government of Nunavut Board Member and the lack of participation since one has been appointed. We need to recognize that caribou and fish go into Nunavut and are harvested by	Alex Buchan to email Charlie Evalik.

	<p>Nunavut. Chris participated well. Alex Campbell DM should deal with this. Alex will email Charlie Evalik. EMAB could write a letter.</p>	
<p>Acceptance of Francois Messier's report</p>	<p>The Board discussed Francois Messier's Report and the workshop. Alex stated that the workshop brought out reasonable issues and now EMAB should act on it. EMAB should tell DDMI that the study area is unacceptable but it should not be up to the board to define the study area. Francis Blackduck said that the Dogrib looked at Francois's report and that EMAB should accept it and go with it. Alex looked at Francois's report and saw nods from RWED and DDMI during the workshop. Alex said EMAB should bundle the wildlife comments up and get them out right away.</p>	
<p>Review of Terriplan Draft Recommendations</p>	<p>Florence mentioned that the DDMI documents should be properly referenced in and that the management plans referred to should be listed. Further, that the way the recommendations are referenced is a bit unusual in the way EMAB is referenced. EMAB should review the draft recommendations, minutes of the meetings and the reports then push for a recommendation. We should ensure that the recommendations go to the responsible party and then monitor the response from the agency or company. The Environmental Agreement says 2 months to respond.</p>	<p>Board members to review workshop results and review notes and make sure all agree with what is in them and if any thing was missed. When Pete McCart recommendations are received E.D to send out and Board to review and come back together or conference call. After the board reviews, the members will go to parties for further</p>

	<p>Francis said that two elders should participate in the monitoring. In terms of the Fisheries enhancement the elders say no. Leave streams and rivers as is and compensate a different way, maybe the same as Ekati. DTC does not say much. No control site for example. DTC should work more closely with other boards. DDMI has a typical attitude in that they think Lac de Gras is nothing special. The Dogrib say that LDG is unique</p> <p>Florence – should DTC have the authority to determine if plans are adequate. They have no linkage to communities. They are at the moment technical review people. Florence worried about that DTC should report to this board.</p> <p>Florence does not want fish that were not there before to be introduced. (E.g. m-14)</p> <p>Alex asked what can we do to effect change. He mentioned that we should have very specific recommendations to effect change we tell them we do not accept the plan/report. We should put something to this effect in our annual report. This could act as an annual report card on what DDMI is doing.</p> <p>Floyd said that board members need to look at the Terriplan report and flag any issues missed</p> <p>Kirstie to complete a compilation</p>	<p>comment and then come back to board. Pete McCart and Tony Pearce will go to Rae to assist. Kirstie to go to the YKDFN land and environment office and talk to the land and water committee on issues. Alex to go and go through with KIA lands division and HTO.</p> <p>Board of NSMA to meet tentatively on the 8th to discuss.</p> <p>E.D to review recommendations. E.D to forward final fisheries reports as they come in and then to forward combined issues when completed. Set the meeting of the March 8th for dealing with this</p>
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	<p>of Francis Messier's recommendations and those that came out of the workshop from the board. Alex said that this kind of research and technical matters should be dealt with by the technical staff.</p> <p>Question. What is the effect of each development compared to the herd as a whole? BHP/DDMI/DeBeers still nothing in place to deal with this. Why is that?</p> <p>Eric Yaxley mentioned that a meeting would be held with BHP and the monitoring agency to discuss these issues. As well, on April 22, there will be a meeting between the parties as per section 4 of the agreement. Items up for discussion include the concept of a superboard and the regionalization of DCAB as well.</p>	
<p>Winter Ice Road Filed Trip</p>	<p>Bob told the board that the trip schedule for the Tibbet to Contwoyto Joint Venture committee is the March 11 week. Alex asked if board could be involved. Bob said that parties to agreement are involved.</p> <p>The road to Lupin will be undergoing an Environmental Assessment. Alex suggested that the board attend this meeting. Chris Hank set up this meeting. Application has not yet gone to the MVLWB. Just going as an extension of the license of occupation.</p>	<p>E.D to speak to Murray and /or Richard Locke re: a board field trip on the winter road.</p>

	EMAB to consider a winter road field trip on March 15 and 16.	
DTC	Board agreed we should hear from the experts in relation to the phosphorus issue. Alex and Florence think we should hire a consultant to look at it. We need clarification on the roles and responsibilities of the DTC. EMAB should be getting information in our board meetings from the DTC. Alex thinks the DTC should be dissolved. DDMI should be bringing in material to EMAB first, not the DTC.	E.D to invite DTC/DIAND experts to a meeting on the 8 th . Board agreed to meet with DDMI on the 8 th .
	<p>Motion: #4-02-02-27</p> <p>To adjourned the meeting at 3:05</p> <p>Moved: Floyd Adlem</p> <p>Seconded: Florence Catholique</p> <p>Carried: Unanimous</p>	