

Draft Notes

EMAB Teleconference - January 10, 2011

Doug Crossley, Chair, Kitikmeot Inuit Association (phone)

Ted Blondin, Vice-Chair, Tlicho Government (phone)

Floyd Adlem, Secretary Treasurer, Canada

Colleen English, Diavik (phone)

Charlene Beanish, GN (phone)

Steve Ellis, GNWT (phone)

Sheryl Grieve, NSMA (phone)

John McCullum, Executive Director (also minutes)

Meeting started @ 10:00

ED explains issue - wording of capacity building fund guidelines regarding limits on administration costs.

Diavik rep explains that the wording appears to be intended to limit administrative costs only to the original contributions, not supplementary contributions.

ED reviews material circulated earlier by email regarding recommendation from Northways report and subsequent EMAB discussions and motions to review and approve the recommendations and the revised policy.

Issue raised of whether computers and software should be considered an administrative expense under capacity funding.

Motion: to revise section 2.5.11 of the Operations manual to read "Administration costs may be included up to a maximum of 50% of total funding. Administration costs include:

- office rent
- office utilities
- office telecommunications
- office salaries
- office equipment, and
- office supplies."

Moved: Floyd Adlem

Further discussion on whether computer expenses should be included as administrative costs.

Suggested that if there are a number of issues with the policy it would be better to review it as a whole than make individual changes.

Comment that limiting administration costs to 50% is arbitrary and limiting on Aboriginal Parties. Including computer hardware and software as an administrative expense is also limiting.

Noted that there is a motion on the floor and it should be seconded before discussion takes place. Further noted that the administration cost issue has a direct effect on review and approval of 2009-10 reports, while other issues do not have the same time constraints.

Seconded: Steve Ellis

Carried with one abstention

Suggested that the issue of computer expenses be dealt with at the next board meeting.

ED notes that there will be an item on reviewing the capacity building fund guidelines on the agenda and that this could be added.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.