

# Minutes – June 14-16 2022 Yellowknife Boardroom and by teleconference / Zoom

# Present:

Charlie Catholique, *Chair* Jack Kaniak, *Vice-Chair* Violet Camsell-Blondin, *Secretary-Treasurer* Ngeta Kabiri, *Director* (by phone) Gord Macdonald, *Director* (by phone & in-person) Adrian D'Hont, *Alternate* Ryan Miller, *Director* (Day 2 only, by phone) Lutselk'e Dene First Nation Kitikmeot Inuit Association Tlicho Government GNWT Diavik Diamond Mines North Slave Metis Alliance Yellowknives Dene First Nation

# Absent:

# Staff:

John McCullum, *Executive Director* (minutes) Dylan Price, *Environmental Specialist* (minutes) Environmental Monitoring Advisory Board

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# Guests (by phone):

Joe Heron, GNWT Inspector (Day 1) Marc Casas, IEMA Executive Director (Day 1) Imran Maqsood, ENR Air Quality (Day 2) Kofi Boa-Antwi, Diavik (Day 2) Wasef Jamil, Arcadis (Day 2) Abbie Stewart, MSES (Day 2) Brian Kopach, MSES (Day 2) James Hodson, ENR (Day 2) Anita Kolback, ENR (Day 2)

Tuesday June 14, 2022
Meeting start at 9:25 am at EMAB Boardroom and by teleconference
Item 1: Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 9:05 am
Chair begins meeting with moment of silence
Item 2: Approval of Agenda
Chair reviews agenda
Two additional items to include:



- Approve NSC review of AEMP Design Plan V6.0
- ES Performance Evaluation recommendation

Motion: to approve agenda for June 14-16, 2022 meeting Moved: Jack Kaniak Seconded: Adrian D'Hont Motion carried

### Item 3: Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared

#### Extra Item – AEMP Design Plan 6 Review

Board members had received review and recommendations previously, but needed to approve the recommendations. The deadline for submission was on the same day.

Motion: to approve NSC review and recommendations on the AEMP Design Plan 6 Mover: Charlie Catholique Seconded: Adrian D'Hont Motion carried

### Item 4: Minutes of Previous Meeting

Board reviewed minutes of previous meeting. Executive Director (ED) mentioned renewal of office lease that was not included in the previous version.

Motion: to approve April 19-20, 2022 meeting minutes as presented: Moved: Violet Camsell-Blondin Seconded: Jack Kaniak Motion carried.

ED reviews action items. Noted that if EMAB organizes a TK Closure Workshop, the TK Panel should be involved.

ES reviews outstanding recommendations; none outstanding; received response from ENR on outstanding recommendations on Wildlife Monitoring Program.

### Item 5: Finance

ED reviews variance report to June 3'22 and proposed budget revisions in item description.

Discussion:

- Proposed a couple of budget changes. We had expected to review the AEMP Design Plan 6 last year but wasn't sent for review until this year.
- Those changes bring us to a balanced budget.
- We should consider a clause in the business rules where circumstances beyond control should



accommodate in the budget (e.g., Covid-19).

- Noted that Diavik has rejected changes to Business Rules
- Consider contacting Diavik President
- Not clear on reason for Diavik's rejection of request to roll over funds from end of last budget period. EMAB needs funds to do reviews.
  - EA 4.8(f) is only for activities that were not budgeted for.
- Noted that EA requires Diavik to provide whole amount of approved budget 60 days in advance. Diavik deducted funds that EMAB had requested be rolled over.

Motion: to approve revisions to 2022-23 budget as presented Moved: Violet Camsell-Blondin Seconded: Charlie Catholique Motion carried.

### **Operations Manual – Covering accommodation expense to participate in meeting**

ED presents item from kit.

Discussion:

- Chair was down south on holiday when flight was cancelled and had to extend hotel room to participate in meeting
- Operations manual says where a Board member is not a resident, or the member is not at home at the time of the meeting, the Board can authorize payment.

# Action Item: ensure Operations Manual is clear that the Chair's alternate does not become Chair when Chair is not available.

### **Environmental Specialist Performance Evaluation Recommendation**

ES leaves room.

ES has done well in first year and ED is recommending a 4% performance increase in salary. This needs to be approved by the Board.

**Motion:** to ratify Executive Director recommendation for a 4% salary increase for Environmental Specialist effective June 7, 2022.

Moved: Ngeta Kabiri Seconded: Adrian D'hont carried

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### Item 6: Strategic Plan Review

ED presents item from kit. Developing workplan for draft two-year budget for 2023-25 – walked Board through strategic action plan to set direction for workplan.

Discussion:



• Need to send out letters for support for EMAB to continue operating throughout closure to parties that haven't responded.

### Action Item: letters to KIA Executive should be copied to KIA Lands Dept.

• Community updates – contact Board members

### Action Item: contact communities in early August about timing of community updates Action Item: cost out Board doing a tour of all communities

- Engagement Plan
  - TG Engagement Plan is directed at mining companies and other
- Develop education opportunities for youth.
  - Educational opportunities mainly focused on what is happening in the field, we should explore possibilities of having youth in governance training.
  - The youth and future generation are important to have at various meetings because they will take over eventually even if they aren't participating, they are listening and learning.
- Environmental monitoring training
  - Is there a further role for EMAB in this?
  - Some environmental monitoring training is being done by NGO's; note CIRNAC pays for monitoring at Colomac
- How can Business Rules address uncertainty in budgeting for report reviews?

ED walks Board through Workplan. Main area that changes from year to year is oversight and monitoring – usually try to get in touch with Diavik to know what reports to expect.

- Expect Water Licence renewal for closure and reclamation completion reports.
- Should note that there should be some accommodation for uncertainty (e.g., Covid-19)

### LUNCH 12:00-13:00

### Item 7: Discussion on Governance of TK Panel

Gord Macdonald joins meeting in person.

Q: can Gord represent Diavik during discussion of Business Rules?

A: agreed to send an email to Gord requesting he attend the Business Rules discussion as the Diavik Party representative.

ED introduces the item:

- The 2021 Fish Camp was reported on during the March 2022 Board Meeting.
  - Discussed report and video verifications and release of the report at April meeting.
- Discussion on how section 4.9 of the Environmental Agreement (EA) applies to the TK Panel when it is being administered by Diavik.
- Summary of history of governance of the TK Panel.

Discussion:



- EMAB should be more involved with the TK Panel workshops. We are the watchdog for the mine, and we represent our communities; Elders have concerns.
  - Big concern about fish tasting report and video
- Just waiting on one Party's permission to release report. Report should be released soon.
- The TK Panel asked for more information to be put back into the 2021 Fish Camp video. They are working with the Diavik Communications Manager and Artless Collective to add information.
- One TK Panel member asked if Diavik controlled the outcome of the videos. Diavik doesn't control the third-party statements, but do control the production of the video. It was a good video with a lot of good pictures, it touched on some issues, but did not cover the hardcore issues.
- Not clear how Panel members will identify video clips that need to be put back in.

# Q: What is the situation with the 2021 Fish Camp Report?

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A: TK Panel Fish Camp report is coming – video still needs to be verified; this is different than the regular Panel reports. TK Panel Session 13 will be released soon. Session 14 (first session with new facilitators) has been released, and session 15 report is being drafted.

Q: Are people's opinion being recorded when tasting?

A: Yes, there is an evaluation form that people fill out covering the whole process from the catch to tasting.

- The fish that were caught were skinny with big heads and all were infested with parasites and tape worms. They should be fat by that point in the year. Fish usually have really fine gills, but these fish had enlarged gills with parasites on them.
- It wasn't necessarily a surprise to see that in Lac de Gras, the fish are more or less starved. It is a very nutrient poor lake.
- Spoke to an Elder who said they were concerned with the fish at the Camp. A consultant said sometimes fish get like that. He said you can cook it and all the parasites would die and it would be okay to eat. The Elder disagreed; don't eat a fish that has something wrong with it. Told the consultant that if you can show what you have said to the Elders, they might have more confidence. Elders and scientists could meet and hash this out.
- Good idea, we can provide information but there should be someone independent of Diavik and the TK Panel who can start to shed some light on the situation. Involve Panel members, fish biologist, DFO etc.
- When the Fish Camp first started, everyone loved the fish and the water. Now, no one likes it. The fish are infested with parasites and the water is dark.
- Reasons suggested for changes were warm weather, or parasites coming from bird droppings from migrating birds. Doesn't make sense. Thinks it's related to dust. Fish are inedible.
- Is an independent review of the science and the TK Panel results something EMAB should bring together?
- EMAB would need to ask for extra money in the budget to do that. We would need to seek the best information possible, both TK and science. Possibly organize another fish camp.
- Could be missing something, Ekati is right next door. Maybe a cumulative impact.
- Panel asked Diavik to collect 8 fish this summer and 8 more fish in winter (2022-23).
- Need to pull together all available information on fish and water at Lac de Gras.
- How would the workshop decide what all the information means? It should be a blend of both.
- We should develop a proposal to bring all the information that we have for a scientific and TK review



done by experts. If there isn't room in the budget ask Diavik for funds.

- Each community could make a proposal: consultants, Elder travel, honoraria
- Diavik would not be able to do a field program in 2022 too busy.
- Scope? What is happening; what is causing the changes in the fish.
  - Why have things changed?
- Concern about change of TK Panel facilitators. The Panel members say they want to switch back to Natasha and Joanne.
- These are two separate conversations.
  - Diavik talked to the Panel last week. The Panel felt they should have been consulted on the change.
  - Workshop would be to investigate the cause of the Elders' observations at the 2021 Fish Camp.

Q: So, would this be an investigation moving forward to see if the results of the 2021 Fish Camp was a one off? A: The Fish Camp results are undisputed. This is a follow-up investigation. It would fit well with EMAB mandate.

Action Item: ED to work with independent TK consultants and fish/aquatic scientists to develop a proposal for a workshop to bring together Elders and western scientists to discuss what could be causing the effects observed by Elders at the 2021 Fish Camp

- Still need to discuss Diavik take over of TK Panel
- Panel needs to be independent with own financing and administrative support
- EMAB can't tell Diavik they can't have a TK Panel. EMAB can have its own Panel.

Item tabled to Thursday afternoon.

### Item 8: Inspectors Update

Joe Heron presents Inspectors update.

Presentation:

- Took over Diavik file in February 2022 previously worked on Snap Lake and Misery Underground.
- PKC appears to be well managed. Concern about ponding against dike may have been a misinterpretation of the water licence.
- Completed two water licence inspections and a land use permit inspection.
- Phase 7 dam raise completed up to 468 mASL.
- Main concerns going forward are the underground mines and shut down
- WL a little intrusive; requires WLWB decisions on minor issues such as change in exploration fluid
- Q: Can you explain how the Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) works?

A: Once a certain level within a holding pond is reached there are various triggers (i.e. – Stopping discharge). Notes water management at Diavik is the best he's seen.

Q: Any observation of the landfill?

A: Not yet. Plan to visit the landfill during the next inspection.

Item 9: IEMA Update



ED of IEMA, Marc Casas, attends meeting in-person to present an update on the activities of Arctic Canada Diamond Company (ACDC).

Presentation:

- Important differences between Ekati and Diavik:
  - Ekati is much more spread out multiple pits spread across 20-35 km of linear disturbance. This can make a difference regarding caribou migration disturbances. Diavik is more compact.
  - PK management: Ekati has Long Lake Treatment Facility; Diavik has PK tailings pond
    - Ekati is now putting some PK into pits.

Q: Is there meromixis in the Bear Tooth pit?

A: It is expected to be meromictic. No freshwater cap yet.

- Currently mining the Sable pit and Misery underground, while the Pigeon pit is almost done.
- Proven resources to 2024.
- Caribou collar data
  - IEMA analysis shows caribou change direction and behaviour close to the mine.
  - Behaviours change when they are closer to the mine.
    - Road crossings usually delayed caribou by about a day.
    - Many caribou turn at road and walk beside it instead of crossing; this delays them about 4 days.
  - Believe data can be used to answer other questions
    - Effectiveness of mitigation plan for road disturbances on caribou.
    - Effect of sensory disturbances such as traffic movement.
    - Integration of caribou camera surveys, collar data, and caribou field survey data to piece together how they interact with the road to improve mitigation measures.
- ICRP lacks required detail (most recent version from 2018). It's in initial stages. They have finalized Closure Objectives but have not developed criteria. Next version in October'22.

Q: How does Ekati incorporate TK into the CRP?

A: One of the main objectives is the way the site looks. TK will feed into criteria.

- Point Lake Project has taken a lot of out time and energy estimated to extend the life of mine for another 5 years.
- Some concern over the waste rock pile from the project and its impact on caribou movement.
  - Waste rock mostly acid generating.
- Concern that location of waste rock pile will block caribou migration; some changes have been made to address this. Ekati proposing to do caribou research using collar data; IEMA will provide input.
- Q: Is a 99% Acid Rock Drainage (ARD) rock pile closable?

A: IEMA raised a lot of concern over that in terms of a cover and what to do with the waste water. Ekati stands by their models, some of it needs to be updated.

Q: Does ACDC do fish tasting?

A: No TK regarding fish, but have raised that issue with them. They have people from communities to help select areas for setting nets for large-bodied fish tissue sampling, but do not do fish or water tastings.

Q: How do you enforce the recommendations you make in regards to the caribou collar research methodology? A: This seems to be a gap. ENR has wildlife jurisdiction so IEMA could make comments through the WMMP review as a last resort. ACDC is to submit a new Wildlife Management and Monitoring Program (WMMP) to ENR



this year. In other projects wildlife measures have been required through the Environmental Assessment, but there was no EA for Point Lake.

- IEMA was the only intervener that wanted an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Point Lake Project. The WLWB decided not to recommend an EA.
- Q: status of Ekati TK Panel?

A: hasn't met since 2018. This was a requirement of the Jay EA, but that project is not going forward so Ekati says the Panel is no longer a requirement.

- Ekati should talk to communities about how to gather TK. TG approached Ekati to provide their TK comments.
- Underwater Remote Mining (URM)
  - Ekati is working with a team designing mining equipment to be lowered into the lake to crush up kimberlite and suck it up to a processing plant.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Plans to bring machinery up in 2023 for testing in the Lynx pit.
  - Only operates in open-water season.

### Wednesday June 15, 2022

Site tour at Diavik

# Thursday June 16, 2022

### Chair opens meeting at 9:05 am (EMAB Boardroom and by teleconference)

Chair reviews agenda

Gord Macdonald notes his flight leaves in the afternoon so he will only be available until noon, and must step out at 10 am. Two items he will miss:

### Item 15: TK Monitoring

Nothing to report. Diavik will come to EMAB when TK Monitoring Plan is ready. Diavik has not done any community consultation since the April TK Panel.

### Item 16: Yellow Haze

EMAB questions are far-reaching so should be put in writing to Diavik. EMAB should be clear whether or not it accepts Diavik's proposal for monitoring, and set out any conditions EMAB wants met in order to accept it.

# Item 12: Debrief on site visit

Observations/Discussion

- Site tour booklet was helpful
- Tailings pond is huge
- Site is so grey, not enough green
- Suggestion for Diavik to hire summer students from communities for monitoring

Q: was it helpful to have community members present along with EMAB



### A: yes

- Much bigger since last tour in 2019; a real eye-opener
- Would have liked to be at site during freshet
- Session in gym could have been organized better
- Concern about steepness of slopes especially the PKC dam wall
- Single ramp to PKC may be a problem since it will be easy for animals to get onto the PKC from the NCRP.
- Good to hear water quality in Lac de Gras will improve after mine closes.
- Communities have lots of concerns about what will happen at site after it closes; it helps for people to be able to see the site
- Appears to be lots of potential for contamination to enter lake from minesite; concerns about effect on fish
- Site model was very helpful; TG requests a copy.
- Noted that the Diavik TK Panel is more active than the ACDC TK Panel. The Panel members know the area very well.

### Item 13: 2021 WMP Report Review

### ES introduces item

Kofi presents the 2021 WMP Report (presentation in meeting kit).

- Diavik will re-draft the report after it receives comments
- WMMP is under review by GNWT; submitted draft April 1'21; final version Nov 8'21; waiting for GNWT to finish formal consultation on plan.
- Did 21 caribou behavior scans; group size ranged from 1 to 200; likely Beverly-Ahiak or Bathurst
- 80 grizzly sightings; many were of resident bears

Discussion:

Q: why is amount of habitat loss so much greater for grizzly bear than caribou?

A: value of habitat is different for different species. The criteria for assessment was set up during the Environmental Assessment of the project

Q: how many different bears were seen?

A: hard to say – there are resident bears at Diavik, so many were multiple sightings of same bears

Q: do animals move elsewhere when habitat is lost?

A: habitat lost is relatively small compared to total amount of habitat. Minesite continues to attract bears, including some resident bears; not sure why. Site might provide some protection. Waste may be an attractant although Diavik tries to minimize this.

Q: does the mining activity affect presence of animals?

A: different species react differently. Wildlife adjust to noise over time. Habituation is a challenge. Staff try to move bears to avoid human/wildlife interaction.

Q: do resident bears leave the island?

A: yes, but they come back, especially for denning. Diavik tries to discourage denning but won't remove a den once established. One female has raised cubs at Diavik. Cubs come back to the island. The main risk to bears is conflict with other bears.

Ryan Miller joins meeting.

Brian presents MSES review (presentation in kit).



• Diavik should do annual estimates of mine's zone of influence (ZOI) on caribou, so changes can be tracked
as closure proceeds
• Caribou behavior data has not been analyzed due to small sample size. Hoping collar data will help.
<ul> <li>DNA hair snagging data would be helpful in monitoring wolverine and grizzly populations</li> </ul>
• Significant difference in dust on plants near mine compared to far away. This affects abundance and
community composition. Need to look for changes in dust during and after closure.
Q: clarify problem with EA prediction regarding caribou migration changes due to presence of mine
A: original prediction was shown to be wrong so monitoring was replaced by monitoring the range of the
caribou using collar data. MSES is asking Diavik to propose ways to assess effects on caribou migration.
Q: how can you use caribou collar data to assess behavior? Are readings frequent enough?
A: Diavik has done an exploratory analysis using collar data. It will be submitted as an addendum to the 2021
WMP report in the coming weeks.
Q: will the report be a one-off
A: for now. Diavik will respond to feedback.
Q: Diavik referred to GNWT-approved wildlife deterrents?
A: referring to discussions with Wildlife Officers before using specific deterrents
<ul> <li>Concern about impacts of mine on wildlife – need to know who is to blame. Someone must take</li> </ul>
responsibility.
Q: Appendix A of MSES report shows many responses are satisfactory
A: this means the responses are satisfactory to MSES, up to EMAB to decide
Motion: to approve MSES recommendations on 2021 WMP report to convey to Diavik
Moved: Violet Camsell-Blondin
Seconded: Adrian D'Hont
Motion carried
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Item 5: Finance (continued)
Discussion on Rusiness Rules and Contribution Renovable
Discussion on Business Rules and Contribution Repayable
Motion: to go in camera
Moved: Violet Camsell-Blondin
Seconded: Ngeta Kabiri
Motion carried
One abstention: Jack Kaniak

Motion: to go ex camera Moved: Violet Camsell-Blondin Seconded: Jack Kaniak Motion carried

Action Item: ED to provide documents on EMAB request to roll over funds from 2020-21 to 2021-22 to Ngeta



Kabiri to prepare an analysis.
LUNCH 12:00-13:00
Item 15: TK Monitoring for Closure
Noted Diavik provided an update on their activity on this item at the beginning of the day.
No other information from Board members.
Item 14: Annual Report Review
ES presents item from kit: status of each item, proposed schedule
Discussion:
Q: Does EMAB have photos?
A: yes, lots from recent TK Panel and site visit Noted that EMAB should get permission from any people in photos that we plan to publish.
If EMAB wants photos from Diavik, Brett McGarry is a good contact.
Item 16: Yellow Haze
ES presents item from kit.
EMAB/Arcadis review finds that Diavik proposal is inadequate to assess whether yellow haze is present.
Sampling once a week is not enough. EMAB needs to propose an alternative.
Wasef (Arcadis): must sample at least three times a week ie. every other day to be adequate. Could reduce sampling locations to three from four.
<ul> <li>Also, could reduce sampling period from full year to period from December to March</li> </ul>
Key times to sample are very cold, windless days.
Q: will GNWT Guideline address yellow haze sampling
<ul> <li>A: guidance on air quality monitoring, but not yellow haze specifically. Will address NO2 monitoring</li> <li>Photos should be taken offsite</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Caribou won't cross exhaust trail from skidoo.</li> </ul>
Recommendations to Diavik
<ul> <li>Monitor every other day between December and March with confirmation photos taken offsite.</li> <li>Diavik to provide reasons if they say they can't follow EMAB recommendations</li> </ul>
Motion: to approve proposed recommendations to Diavik regarding yellow haze monitoring Moved: Adrian D'hont
Seconded: Jack Kaniak
Carried
Imran Magsood (ENR) update on GNWT Air Quality Monitoring Guidelines



- Finalizing "what we heard" document with senior management; will take 2-3 months
- Following finalization of "what we heard" they expect another two to three weeks to finalize the Guideline.

### Item 17: AEMP Reports Status

ES presents item from kit.

Q: what was the condition of the fish at the TK Fish Camp last year. What do Elders think caused it? A: Elders thought it might be from dust from the mine being deposited on the water and sinking to the bottom of the lake.

• Noted that some Elders are not comfortable signing off on TK Fish Camp report.

### Honoraria

Action Item: ED to check Operations Manual regarding honoraria when Board are working for longer than a regular work day. If none, ED to develop a policy to cover this extra time for Board review. Back date to cover site tour on June 15.

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Item 7: Panel (continued)

ED reviews process for verification of Fish Camp Report:

- December 2021 meeting with consultants. YKDFN did not participate
- March (?) 2022 meeting with YKDFN and Diavik. No consultants.
- April 2022 meeting different topic; Fish Camp mentioned
- June 6-7 meeting concerns that video from Fish Camp left out important parts
- Noted that during the April '22 meeting facilitators noted that some other groups wanted to join the Panel: Deninu Kue First Nation, Fort Resolution Metis Government and NWT Metis Nation
  - Members wanted to consult with leadership before providing input
  - This came up again at the June Panel meeting; members told Diavik to send a letter to the Parties about this.

ED reviews process where TK Panel was transferred from EMAB administration to Diavik.

- EMAB should get a legal opinion to sort this out
- Noted that the Elders on the Panel will be the same whether EMAB is administering, or Diavik. The Parties play a role
- TG process explained: bring in experts with scientific and TK knowledge to discuss issue and make recommendations
  - $\circ$  TK Panel communication at April meeting was one-way, from Diavik experts to Panel
  - o TG will be discussing participation on TK Panel this Monday
  - Need to be sure Panel has all the relevant information
- TK Panel should not be expanded beyond EA Parties
- TK Panel was never handed over to Diavik
- Does EMAB want to take Panel back? Tell this to Diavik; if they disagree, then get a legal opinion



# • Tell Diavik they are administering the Panel on behalf of EMAB and set out requirements

- Start with option 1 in item description
- If Diavik disagrees then take back Panel
- Diavik should want the Panel to be independent so the recommendations are credible
- Panel facilitation is important
- Panel should be independent, not controlled by company
- Elders should decide who facilitates the Panel
- Concern that Diavik is controlling the Panel and the reporting

### Action Item: staff to provide copies of all TK Panel reports on file on a USB stick for Violet

Action Item: ED to draft letter to Diavik for Board review noting that Diavik is administering the Panel on behalf of EMAB and must follow the direction set out in Option 1 of the meeting description.

Q: who makes sure TK Panel recommendations are implemented? Sometimes Diavik rejects a Panel recommendation. Ryan will provide some thoughts to the Board following the meeting.

A: noted that EMAB has assessed Diavik's response and follow-up to recommendations, and has included them in comments on ICRP 4.1.

• EMAB doesn't have power to enforce implementation of TK Panel recommendations. It would be good to discuss how to address this.

### Item 18: Round Table

Jack Kaniak

- Has requested dates for next KIA meeting in Kugluktuk or Cambridge Bay to update them on EMAB and Diavik. Will follow up
- June 6 TK Panel meeting
  - Members expressed concern about new facilitators. They want the previous facilitators to come back.
  - No consultation or discussion in advance; change was a big surprise
  - $\circ$   $\quad$  Concern that some transcripts from the Fish Camp were missing
  - o Concern that the video of the Fish Camp left out a lot of Panel members' concerns
  - Diavik stated at the Panel meeting that Diavik decides what is good for the Panel and makes decisions in the best interests of the Panel

### Adrian D'hont

- EMAB's work is important; more so as closure gets closer.
- The site is a big mess; there are many hazards, both visible and invisible

Charlie Catholique

- WLEC Manager has not been replaced; have an Acting Manager
- Community will be doing water sampling at Regina Bay, east of community
- Expecting to be acting as chief until an election for replacement; will be very busy.

Ngeta Kabiri



# • Nothing to report

Violet Camsell-Blondin

- TG will hold a strategy session to talk about closure engagement and TK
- Many meetings on closed mines, especially Colomac and Rayrock
- AGM in mid-July
- TG Regulatory staff meet every Monday
- PDAC is a good conference to attend to learn about mining; virtual conference at end of June
- Negotiating access agreements for mines. Lots of requests for permits, leases etc on TG lands

Next meeting – August 16-17, 2022

Meeting Adjourned at 4:40 pm

**Closing prayer – Charlie Catholique**