

CPF BC and Yukon  
Conference Call Minutes  
04 November 2008  
7p-9p

Present:

Debra Pool - President  
Victoria Vaseleniuck - Vice President  
Marcela Navarro - Director  
Heather Doty - Director  
Sabine Schweiger - Director

Regrets:

Brittany Harris Youth - Director/Secretary

Staff

Nancy Taylor - Executive Director  
Robert Rothern - Executive Director

7:05pm Meeting called to order.

President Pool will record the minutes as the Secretary Harris is not available this evening.

Adoption of agenda: approved by consensus with the following change.

Change in agenda: New Business to be dealt with prior to In Camera business.

Minutes:

Minutes not available

September 04-07 *in camera*

September 23/08 conference call

October 19/08 Board meeting in Ottawa.

Financial Report:

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter budget was presented by the ED.

Many AGM expenses are not reflected in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter as the bills are still coming in.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter finance report shows a modest deficit of \$3115.00. We expect that amount to decline to a \$0.00 balance by the end of this fiscal year.

Many budget line items were queried and the ED will ask the bookkeeper for clarification on budget item # 5780 and to reexamine the wages revenue and expense sheet.

Ed Reports:

- Events happening in the North Vancouver and Pitt Meadows chapters were highlighted.
- Canadian Heritage is going from region to region across the country doing an impact study with partners in CPF which is due to be completed mid January.
- On October 21/08 Nancy and Robert met with two CH representatives for an hour and a half. CH was impressed with CPF BC & Yukon; they mentioned that if we were looking for one off funding for an event to contact them with a proposal.
- CPF BC & Yukon Branch has received an anonymous donation of \$2500.00 from a Campbell River family. Nancy will send a thank you card.
- The membership drive is now finished and the results will be included the next CRU.
- Socio-cultural grant applications have been reviewed and chapters will be notified soon.
- BC Family French Camps socio-cultural grant amount was discussed. The President will send to the ED the amounts provided to BCFFC over the last several year.
- Dimitry will be spending one half to one day a week updating the website.
- Post Secondary Information evening is to be held November 26, 2008 at the Holiday Inn Metrotown. University of Ottawa, SFU, UBC, UVic and Educacentre are participating. Each

organization participating may contribute \$100.00 to cover the cost of CPF administering the event. 150 expressions of interest were received. Invitations to go out with details shortly.

- ED reported that many chapters have emailed with positive comments about the AGM.
- Rencontre en Plein Air debrief will take place November 12.
- Ed's met with Kim Desroches from the FFCB who proposed our French immersion week celebration be changed to March to coincide with the Rendez-vous de la Francophonie(<http://rvf.ca/index.php>). Board agreed that to keep in line with our Olympic project date in 2010 it would be best to stay with February. As well, the Rendez-vous dates coincide with Spring break.
- Information on Francophone Youth Parliament held in January has been sent out. There are up to 10 spaces available to immersion students aged 14-25.
- Heidi will be going in to the office tomorrow to take inventory of CPF saleable items. Susan has created a spreadsheet that is more workable to track the inventory of the CPF goods.

Robert:

- Gave a BR interview on Radio Canada FM last Friday. It went well and the show's producer asked him to return as often as he would like. Michele Smolkin the head of local production at Radio Canada and Robert spoke about the possibility of setting up a writing contest targeting FI Secondary school students in grade 11/12. Looking something like a Concours d'art oratoire for journalism for 2009 -2010. A possible prize would be an internship at Radio-Canada for the winner. Michele was also willing to volunteer her services to help organize a French Film Festival for CPF.
- There is also the possibility of an NFB-backed Film festival during the *Semaine nationale de la francophonie* in March with three programs targeting K-12 students. Robert will follow up with the local *Rendez-vous de la francophonie* rep Kim Desroches to see if there are any restrictions that would forbid our chapters from screening these films as fund raisers. Robert will follow up on these two ideas.
- Robert to contact Jim Shea with regards to the offer for ED training. There has been some discussion that until an Ed training manual has been completed there would not be the Ed training from National available to Robert. Robert will contact Jim Shea for clarification.
- Robert will be debriefing with Glyn on Thursday on the Bilingualism Rocks Tour. He will circulate a report to the Board regarding the 1<sup>st</sup> tour.

New Business:

Discussion for January F2F Strategic Session planning took place. Many options were placed on the table for discussion. The Board requested the ED provide the Board with a budget outlaying the many options. The ED will contact Peter Abrams (facilitator) to determine if he is available to facilitate.

The Board will discuss this further once we know if Peter Abrams is available to facilitate the strategic planning session either January 17 or January 24.

The Board was reminded to fill in their dates, on the November and December calendars, when they not available.

Next meeting 25 November 2008 7p (Conference Call)

Conference call finished at 8:50 pm