

PEI Watershed Alliance Board Meeting

Thursday, May 14th

4:00 PM- 6:00 PM via Zoom

Board Members:, Dale McIsaac, Juliana Granzoti Fernandes, Sherry Pelkey, Sarah Wray, Virginia Everett, Andrew Lush, Dawn McInnis, Kim Curran

Staff: Nathan Lacroix, Heather Laiskonis

Guest: Lawrence Miller

1) Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 4:03 PM

2) Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Sherry and seconded by Dawn
- Passed unanimously

3) Approval of Minutes from April

- Moved by Juliana and seconded by Andrew Lush
- Passed Unanimously

4) Business arising from the minutes

a) AGM details update-motions needed

- Venue secured and Sean Ledgerwood confirmed as the speaker.
- Groups were asked for a one or two-page slide summary of projects to highlight.
- Three motions are needed for the AGM: confirmation of the auditing firm (MNP), voting on the Eastern rep, and approval of the terms of reference for the WMF committee
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b) Eastern Region mtg. summary (Sherry)

- The recent meeting at Mooney's Pond was considered very successful by participants.
- Participants engaged in meaningful discussions about shared projects and initiatives.
- Feedback indicated a strong interest in hosting similar meetings in the future to maintain momentum and communication.
- Heather followed up on the request to look into either an EIA or a permit for large land clearings to help reduce erosion. She met with JP Arsenault to find out the history of land clearing on the island and is currently looking into EPA protections, as it does mention land clearings. This is ongoing

c) WMF Student plans for each region

- The WMF students will maintain the same three representatives as last year.
- A rotation plan has been established for future years to ensure equitable representation.

d) Sub-Committee Document Final Review (Feb), May version-make comments here.

e) AWP Discussion

- Heather shared a document with details about the AWP.
- The PEIWA has a memorandum of understanding with the AWP and we are the administrators.
- No more questions about the AWP were posed

5) Discussion items:

a) Becoming a member Community Sector Network

- The membership cost is \$100 per year, with discounted offerings for watershed groups(\$25), enhancing collaboration among nonprofits.
- Membership provides access to shared services, resources, and support tailored for nonprofit organizations
- Heather will compile a one-pager outlining the benefits of membership in the Community Sector Network and the Volunteer Resource Council.

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b) 2 MF next round4

- The original admin fee was set at \$100,000 for the first year of fund management.
- The proposal for a 20% admin fee translates to \$80,000 from the remaining \$400,000 fund.
- *Motion to approve 20% admin free for the remaining of the 2 Million fund.*
- Moved by Sherry and Seconded by Andrew
- Passed unanimously

6) Reports

- a) Financial Update
 - See folder for update
- b) ED Update
 - See folder for update
- c) Project Manager Update
 - See folder for update
- d) Monitoring Specialist Update
 - See folder for update
- e) 2BT Coordinator Update
 - See folder for update
- f) Review Forward Agenda
 - See folder for update

g) Staffing updates

h) Other

In camera

A) Staff Raises