## **Minutes**

# WUQWATR Board of Directors January 25, 2013 Wascana Place, 10:09 AM

Present: Fred Clipsham, Jim Elliott, Tim Davies, Claudette Halladay, Jim Supynuk, David Sloan, Sandra Bathgate and Ernie Oblander.

Staff: Duane Haave

Regrets: Geoff Merifield and Rod Halyk.

### 1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion (Davies/Sloan) (M/S/C) that the meeting agenda be approved as presented with the addition of two additional letters will be discussed under correspondence.

#### 2. Minutes of November 30, 2012

**Motion (Elliott/Supynuk) (M/S/C)** that the board minutes of November 30, 2012 be approved with the correction that Geoff Merifield attended the meeting. The Board Review materials will be moved to being an attachment to the minutes and that the minutes reflect that the Board reviewed its governance.

### 3. Business arising:

- In respect to the letter to the municipalities about the 4 cubic metres per second going down the conveyance to Buffalo Pound Lake, Duane has not been able to get in touch with Warren at the Water Security Agency. A report will be forthcoming.
  - 4. Correspondence
- Letter from Minister Cheveldayoff re Council of the Federation Excellence in Water Stewardship Award (flagged for next year)
- Letter from MP Gerry Ritz re AEGP
- Letter from Minster Cheveldayoff re our letter of December 18, 2012 (25 year Water Security Plan)
- No actions taken
  - 5. Reports
    - a. Chair
      - i. Fred Clipsham was confirmed to be the City of Regina representative for the Wascana Creek Advisory Committee for two years.
    - b. General Manager (Report attached to original agenda)

Motion () (M/S/C) that the 2013-14 Draft Budget be prepared with options to address the following:

- Human Resources including cost of living and benefits (2 to 2.5 % increment)
- The hiring of a summer student in 2013
- Additional staff to implement our SWPP responsibilities

- Consideration of Board honoraria
- Potential costs for Plan Renewal
- Reserve Funds
- Staff Education
- ALUS report
  - c. Executive Committee
- Three of the executive committee met on strategic planning.
  - Talk around renewal of source water protection plan in the context of the 25 year water security plan
  - Review of governance/terms of reference/policy & procedure
  - o Priorities for the year
  - o Agenda
    - Facilitator for the session
    - Review of vision statement
    - Review of board governance/policies/bylaws (Jim S/David)
    - How do we fit in with SAW/WSA
    - Identifying strategic points or priorities
    - Plan renewal
    - Budget implications

Lunch happened from 12:05 pm to 1:00 pm.

- d. Discussion of Plan Renewal James Hood, Water Security Agency (overheads attached to minutes)
- Much of work forward will be driven and guided by 25 year plan
- Groups have role in the plan other than the source water protection plan
- Question definition of resilience
- Question where does the science come from, who pays
- Question is the focus on source water protection or overall quality
- Work is starting at Old Wives Lake watershed
- Question concern of increased variability of water access and flow because of climate change
- Piloting in Lower Qu'Appelle is opportunities to work together and more often with technical people
- Desire is to work together
- Long term goals and results might work in the same direction as what is provincially but not necessarily
- Lower Qu'Appelle plan is almost done
- Most goals are to be Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely.

- Two Qu'Appelle watersheds will need to talk and work together
- First step in review is to assess does this need a full re-visioning and renewal or just an update
- How do we discuss broad issues like climate change and potash
- How do we talk about the fact that our water comes from or goes to another watershed
- Probably would start with Lower Souris, not sure whether WUQWATR is next in cue
  - e. Finance & Risk Management Committee

**Motion (Sloan/Halladay) (M/S/C)** that the income/expense statement ending January 18, 2013 be approved as presented.

- f. Program & Communication Committee (no report)
- g. Membership Committee (No report)
- h. Updates from member watersheds
  - i. Wascana Creek (no report)
  - ii. Lanigan Manitou (no report)
  - iii. Upper Qu'Appelle (no report)
  - iii. Last Mountain Lake (no report)
- i. SAW report
- With the resignation of John van Eaton, David Sloan has assumed acting chair. There is likely to be a need of Secretary. The watershed workshop is April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Displays to be up on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Watershed mitigation is likely to be in Assiniboine.
- ALUS had a seminar at use of soybeans, presentation on drainage issues and appeal process and presentations on AEGP and crop diseases. One pilot project done this year and four next year.
- Percent of Average Precipitation (Prairie Region) Map (attached to minutes)
- 6. New Business

Motion (Davies/Bathgate) (M/S/C) that the honoraria discussion be referred to the budget discussions.

#### 7. Next meeting

The date for the strategic planning meeting was February 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am in Regina. Hotel space would be possible if one wanted to come to the meeting the night before.

The date for the next board meeting is March 15<sup>th</sup> and AGM on April 4<sup>th</sup> in Regina Beach.

8. Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

## **Minutes**

# **WUQWATR Board of Directors February 21, 2013 Ducks Unlimited Board Room, Regina 1:36 PM**

Present: Fred Clipsham, Jim Elliott, Tim Davies, Claudette Halladay, Jim Supynuk, David Sloan, Sandra Bathgate, Ernie Oblander, Geoff Merifield, Rod Halyk.

Staff: Duane Haave

That the Board Planning Meeting now convene as a Board of Directors meeting to discuss the Board Governance Committee Report on Bylaws

David Sloan /Jim Supynuk M/S/C

Discussion on the amendments to the bylaws proposed by the Committee took place.

There was consensus that the Board would have to decide on proposed changes so that the changes could be circulated to members in time for the Annual General Meeting on April 4th.

Motion to propose the deletion of sections 4.5, 4.6 of the WUQWATR Bylaws

Jim Supynuk/David Sloan M/S/C

To propose the amendment of section 4.8 to replace the words "goals and objectives "with "principles and values". The proposed wording will now read "An associate member will have in their mandate similar principles and values as WUQWATR"

David Sloan/Jim Supynuk M/S/C

The reminders in the Committee Report were all discussed

To amend Article 12.1 to read"

No member, director or office of WUQWATR will receive any payment for their services, save such Honoraria as have been approved by the Annual General Meeting". Rod Halyk, Claudette Halladay M/S/C.

It was noted that the numbering of the bylaws and appendices would need to be amended to reflect the proposed changes.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 3:25