

**Upper Columbia Co-op Council
Board of Directors' Meeting
February 22, 2011
Minutes**

Meeting Called to order at 12:40 pm

In Attendance: Corky Evans, Andrew Jarrett, Terry Brennan, , Bradley Roulston, Ben Morris, Zoë Creighton

Regrets: Cynthia Olivas

1. Adoption of Agenda

M/S/C To adopt the circulated agenda.

2. Adoption of Minutes of January 25, 2011

M/S/C That the minutes of January 25, 2010 be adopted.

3. Review of Actions from Previous Meetings

Bradley will lead Board Planning Calendar. In Process. Bradley will email link to calendar.

Zoe will solicit AGM dates from Member Coops. Ongoing.

KBCSS – Sept 29

Heritage – April 20 in Castlegar

Food Co-op – September

Coop Radio – October

Corky will make a UCCC presentation to the Kettle Valley Co-op. Zoe has made contact with them. Waiting to hear when their AGM is.

Zoe will ask our Castlegar members for an AGM location recommendation. Done. Mir Centre is booked for May 10

Zoe will enquire about availability and cost for the Mir Centre for our AGM. Done.

Corky will ask J.J. Veregin to speak. Done

3.a. Actions arising from this Meeting

Board will approach Credit Unions in Creston, Grand Forks, Cranbrook, East Kootenay and Kootenay Savings to see if they are interested in UCCC Membership.

Zoe will draft a letter to these Credit Unions.

If Corky knows the CEO of Creston Credit Union, he will approach him/her. Zoe will get name.

Bradley will approach East Kootenay Credit Union.

Bradley will write a Member profile on Heritage Credit Union for newsletter

4. Coordinator's Report.

Finance Report

Variance Report discussed, Board provided feedback about what should be provided at each Board meeting. Zoe will continue to work with Cynthia to develop the reports.

Discussion of decreasing revenue from CDI via BCCA. Will discuss later in the meeting. Need to strategise for growing the UCCC membership.

Approach Credit Unions in Creston, Grand Forks, and Cranbrook East Kootenay and Kootenay Savings. Zoe will draft a letter to these Credit Unions.

Suggestion to ask for letter of support from the Kettle Valley Co-op in approach to Grand Forks CU.

If Corky knows the CEO of Creston Credit Union, he will approach him/her. Zoe will get name.

Bradley will approach East Kootenay Credit Union.

Corky asks - Is there a model for families of long-term care recipients to own housing co-operatively?

Training Session on Friday Jan 28, 2011 was a success.

Next training. Feb 25, Carolee Colter will lead a session on Staff Evaluations.

5. Current Priorities

a) Bradley will write a Member profile on Heritage CU for newsletter

b) AGM Planning. Mir Centre is booked for May 10, 5 – 9 pm. Buffet Meal. Talk and Food first, then move into Meeting. Payment for Food. Look for sponsorships. Board members will call Co-ops to invite them.

5:30 – 6:15 Meet and Greet. Food Available

6:15 – 7:15 UCCC Member Presentations

7:15 – 7:45 JJ Verigin. Corky will introduce him.

7:45 – 8:30 Business Meeting

Discussion of Board Recruitment. Current members will think about who would be a good UCCC Board candidate.

Discussion that recruiting for skill sets is not appropriate.

c) Budget Planning.

Discussion of training as cost recovery vs. Free benefit for members/affordable for others.

At next Board meeting include budget discussion in agenda

Zoe , Cynthia and Andrew will have a budget planning meeting in the next few weeks.

d) Community Futures. Zoe and Lisa Cannady will be meeting soon. Zoe wants some input as to what we would like to ask of Community Futures. Find out what their current curriculum is and how we can intersect with it.

Ask Lisa how to communicate with Skills Centre in Trail and Community Futures in Castlegar.

e) February training. Feb 25 – with Carolee Colter

6. Other Business

a. Confirm Meeting Schedule & Location

We will continue to meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 12:30, at KBCSC unless otherwise noted.

Next Meetings:

March 22

April 26

May 24

June 21 (this is the third Tuesday of the Month)

Future Agenda Items.

Budget Planning

AGM Planning

Board Recruitment

7. Forward Planning

a) Next meeting date. March 22, 12:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm