

**Upper Columbia Co-op Council
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2009 1:30 PM**

Present: Zoë, Andrew, Robert, Deirdrie

Chair: Zoë

Recorder: Deirdrie

Agenda – accepted as presented.

M/ Robert

S/Zoë

Minutes of December 11, 2008 accepted as amended.

Action Items

1. Andrew has not heard back from nor followed up with Tom Atkins. Tom did return the NDCU application and \$10.
2. Zoë talked to BCCA about the \$10 share value. They clarified that it makes no difference to them how much the share value is, they are just concerned that we may need more dollars for working capital. Lively discussion ensued about how our share structure should be formulated. **ACTION:** March meeting – will need to prepare motion to bring to the GM about a potential change to the number of shares required to join UCCC to align ourselves with the share value required to join the BCCA.
3. Bradley is trying to get on the city council agenda for their March meeting.
4. Bob Williams will not be available for February 6 event – other speaker options in progress.
5. In progress.
6. In progress.
7. Not done yet. Robert will also follow up with Nakusp Hot Springs.
8. No progress on the website development.
9. Zoë told Carol we will bring a recommendation to change our year end and invoicing date at our GM.
10. Done.
11. Under discussion.

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2. **ACTION:** February agenda – what kinds of programs could BCICS help fund?
3. **ACTION:** Zoë will get Heritage Credit Union an application form this month.
4. **ACTION:** Zoë will send out the exceptionally appealing agenda along with task list.
5. **ACTION:** Andrew will have 10 minutes at the next meeting to update on the KBRRC / CBT.
6. **ACTION:** Zoë will update the dot coop domain.

Coordinator Report

- Zoë reminded us to make known our support for the new CDI proposal.
- Finances – Zoë presented the updated report. \$1000 has been transferred into our new NDCU account. Discussion about who should manage our bookkeeping system. Andrew will look into some Nelson options. Zoë will also consider taking it over.
- Zoë is participating in a study about the Nova Scotia Co-op Council – and she seems to be enjoying every minute of it!
- Zoë will send out another communication once we have confirmed the details of the February 6 event.
- Awaiting for completed member questionnaires to be returned.
- Website content is being developed. We will be cloning the BCCA site.

- Bradley and Zoë are working on the content for the city council proposal.
- Zoë will be at the January 29th BCCA board meeting.

Current Priorities

- BCICS Event – Robert made it to Victoria during the worst travel conditions in several decades! Of the three regional councils under development, our UCCC seems to be making the most effective progress. BCICS would like to hear about any ideas we have for specific programs that could be funded by the \$300,000 grant. **ACTION:** February agenda – what kinds of programs could BCICS help fund?
- Heritage Credit Union – Vince reported via email that it is looking positive. **ACTION:** Zoë will get Heritage Credit Union an application form this month.
- February 6 event – Zoë provided a proposed outline of the event. We pounded out an exceptionally appealing agenda for the event that Zoë will follow up with. **ACTION:** Zoë will send out the exceptionally appealing agenda along with task list.
- KBRRC / CBT update – in process. **ACTION:** Andrew will have 10 minutes at the next meeting to update on the KBRRC / CBT.
- Council presentation – in process for the March council meeting.
- Website content – in process. **ACTION:** Zoë will update the dot coop domain.
- Bank Account – has been opened at the NDCU. Bookkeeper will be figured out.
- Intern support – will be rolled into the request for support from BCICS.
- Cooperators Insurance – Cooperators is considering opening a regional office.

Strategic Plan Check-In

- Tabled

Other Business

- None

Forward Planning

- February 6 Event
- Next meeting dates – Wednesday, February 25. 8:30 – 10:30 am.
Thursday, March 19. 10:30 – 12:30 am.
Thursday, April 16. 10:30 – 12:30 am.