

New Brunswick Aboriginal Sport and Recreation Authority (NBASRA)

Meeting Minutes October 1st, 2015

Communities in attendance: Esgenoopetitj, Eel Ground, Eel River Bar, Tobique, St. Mary's, Woodstock, Metepenagiag, Kingsclear and New Brunswick Aboriginal Peoples Council.

Mary Sylliboy, Helen Joe, Kelvin Simonson, Merrill Martin, Amanda Caplin, Ryan Narvie, Ross Perley, Leonard Nicholas, Shelley Polchies, Dillon Paul, Jaime Hall, Sherri Paul-Bartlett, Cathy Ward, Michael Solomon, Elizabeth Blaney, Pat Bernard, Jason Peters, Jason Arseneault.

Welcome

Ross Perley, vice-chairperson, welcomed everyone.

NBASRA Update

Ross Perley and Jason Arseneault, from the Sport and Recreation Branch, gave a quick overview of the recent history and the current situation of the NBASRA. Good discussions on the value and importance of the NBASRA.

NAIG Update

Jason Peters presented some of the successes of NAIG 2014 and briefly explained some of the steps needed to prepare for NAIG 2017. The next Games to be held in Toronto, Ontario

Coach NB Update

Manon Ouellette, Executive Director, talked about Coach NB programs and services; including the Aboriginal Coaching Module, Sport Specific NCCP Delivery, Coaching Education Development, Canada Games Aboriginal Apprentice Program and the Aboriginal Recognition Award.



Financial Update

Kelvin Simonson and Jason Arseneault gave a quick update on the financial situation of the NBASRA. There is about \$10,000 remaining in NBASRA account. The Sport and Recreation Branch annual funding is being held until the NBASRA demonstrates proper accounting practices. Annual Core Funding is typically around \$100,000 per year.

Employee Update

The NBASRA has been without an employee since September 2014. The Sport and Recreation Branch will work with new NBASRA Executive Committee to develop a HR strategy and process for the hiring of a new full time employee. A draft job description was shared.

Planning

Jason Arseneault led a quick planning exercise to help identify NBASRA priorities. Good discussions on NBASRA programs and services. Eel Ground to host 2016 NBISG.

Resources

Communities encouraged to meet with Regional Sport and Recreation Consultants to discuss funding opportunities for projects that help strengthen physical literacy and children and youth sport participation.

Election of Executive Members

The Board voted in the following individuals to the NBASRA's Executive Committee:

- Shelley Polchies and Kelvin Simonson has Co-chairs
- Cathy Ward as Vice-chairperson
- Mary Sylliboy as Treasurer
- Amanda Caplin as Secretary

Adjournment