

**Outdoor Recreation Council of BC
Meeting of Board of Directors**

5.00 PM Monday, November 5, 2018

1101 - 207 West Hastings Street, Vancouver

MINUTES

<u>Present</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Natalia Pisarek	ORC Communications & Administration	
Dave Wharton	Chair	Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC
Phil Rankin	Director	Beaver Canoe Club
Cooper Quinn	Director, Secretary	International Mountain Biking Association
Andrew Day, Guest	CEO	BC Parks Foundation
<u>By phone</u>		
Allistair Ball	Director	BC Federation of Drift Fishers
Terrance Martin	Director	BC Wildlife Federation
Kim Reeves	Vice Chair	Four Wheel Drive Association of B
Ciel Sander	Director	Trails Society of BC
Scott Walker	Director	Back Country Horsemen of BC
Gordon Weetman	Advisory Member	UBC Faculty of Forestry
<u>Absent</u>		
Wayne Mercer	Director	Quad Riders ATV
Dennis Webb	Past Chair	Quad Riders ATV Association of BC

1. Roll call/regrets

D. Wharton began the meeting at 5:05pm.

2. Guest: Andrew Day, CEO, BC Parks Foundation

BC Parks Foundation CEO, Andrew Day, gave a presentation to the ORC board and answered questions. The BC Parks Foundation is a body independent of government that helps to generate private revenue to be spent on promoting and enhancing the experience in BC Parks. The Foundation's website is www.bcparksfoundation.ca

3. Approval of agenda

Motion: Moved & seconded (PR/AB) that the agenda be approved. **Motion carried.**

4. October 1 Board meeting minutes

a. Approval, errors & omissions:

Motion: Moved & seconded (CQ/PR) that 5(b) shall be revised to an in camera session. **Motion carried.**

Motion. Moved & seconded (PR/CQ) that the amended minutes of the October 1 Board meeting be approved. **Motion carried.**

b. Action items in October 1 meeting minutes

- **4(c)** NP to revise the draft e-mail motion policy. **– completed**
- **5(c)** NP to draft response letter to FLNRO re: “donut hole” stakeholder engagement. **– deferred**
- **8(a)** N. Pisarek to invite Mr. Day to attend November meeting. **– completed**
- **8(c)** NP to revise draft budget consultation letter re: BC Parks budget recommendations. **– completed**

- 8(e) NP to write draft letter re: 30-day public comment period for Crown Land tenure applications. – *deferred*

c. Business arising from minutes. None.

5. Administration, membership & general

a. Revised policy – E-mail Motion, Discussion and Voting

Motion: Moved & seconded (CQ/PR) that the revised e-mail motion policy be approved. **Motion carried.**

b. Draft Executive Director job description

D. Wharton asked the directors to review the draft job description and to send comments to the ORC office by November 12.

6. Correspondence

a. LF FLNRO re Kluskus/Anahim projects

The board agreed that the Kluskus and Anahim emergency egress projects proposed by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations (FLNRO) are necessary for the safety of the affected communities.

Action: NP to send letter advising FLNRO that ORC supports the Kluskus and Anahim emergency egress projects.

b. LF BC Parks re Draft management plan for Fiordland Conservancy and Pooley Conservancy

No comments.

7. Financials

a. Treasurer's update and revised draft budget

S. Walker presented the revised budget to the board and advised that ORC's finances are in good standing. S. Walker added that staff wage costs will increase with the hire of an Executive Director but that ORC's budget can accommodate this increase. T. Martin asked the board to consider relocating ORC's office to reduce or eliminate rent expenses. The board agreed to defer this discussion to the December meeting.

8. Ongoing initiatives, projects & reports.

a. Access Committee update

T. Martin reported that the TimberWest/Island Timberlands integration has cleared the Competition Bureau and will be proceeding. T. Martin advised the board that he is scheduling a meeting at the Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (VFGPA) clubhouse to discuss the interests of the recreation sector. T. Martin advised the directors to contact him if they'd like to attend this meeting.

K. Reeves advised that the Access Committee completed draft 8 of its principles of access document. The draft was circulated to the board shortly before the start of the meeting and the directors agreed to defer discussion to December's meeting. K. Reeves also asked the board to review the Committee's Terms of Reference (ToR).

Action: NP to circulate the Access Committee's ToR to the board.

b. Provincial Trails Advisory Body update

The board held an in camera session.

c. Public comment period process

The board agreed to begin cataloguing information about commercial recreation/adventure tourism applications over the past few years.

Action: NP to begin compiling information about proposed and approved commercial recreation applications.

- d. Thompson/Chilcotin steelhead update – Allistair
A. Ball reported that the angling community is urging Minister McKenna and the Governor in Council to list Thompson/Chilcotin steelhead as a species at risk under SARA. A. Ball added that he is hopeful the SARA listing proposal will succeed.
- e. Caribou Recovery Stakeholders Teleconference Sept. 21 meeting – Natalia
C. Sander reported that the Province is moving ahead with maternity pens as part of recovery measures.
- f. Canadian Trails Federation update
No updates. The CTF has not held a meeting since its AGM in September.

9. Emerging and deferred issues.

- a. BC Parks Sept. 17 meeting at MEC head office
BC Parks held a focus group meeting in Vancouver on September 17 about park visitor behavior and what can be done to improve messaging. N. Pisarek reported that ORC did not receive an invitation and that she contacted BC Parks and is waiting for a response. D. Wharton said he will contact BC Parks as well.
- b. Restoration Conference Nov. 13 – 14 – Allistair
A. Ball reported that the Fraser Watershed Initiative is hosting the 2018 Fraser Watershed Restoration Conference on November 13 – 14 in Kamloops.
- c. Elders Council for Parks – 2020 BC Parks Conference – Natalia
Deferred to December meeting.
- d. Meeting at Legislature on Oct. 29 re: logging in Skagit Valley – Kim
As a result of the initiative of Dr. Tom Perry, former MLA, a meeting was scheduled for October 29 at Legislature with Environment Minister Heyman and FLNRO Minister Donaldson. ORC Vice-Chair K. Reeves and ORC Advisory Member K. Farquharson attended the October 29 meeting, along with representatives from CPAWS-BC, Nature BC, BC Wildlife Federation, Sierra Club, and the Wilderness Committee. K. Reeves reported that the group asked the Ministers to halt all logging operations in the Skagit Valley “donut hole”, including currently active cut-blocks and all future logging plans.

10. Upcoming events, meetings, etc.

- Next Board meeting – 5 PM Monday December 3 (confirmed)
- BC Budget 2019 Consultations - report released – Monday Nov. 15

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

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