

Cape Breton Chamber of Voluntary Organizations
Board Meeting Minutes: December 13, 2013
–Cape Breton University, Rm CC256–

Regrets: Murdoch and Susan

1. Agenda approved
2. Approval of November 8 Minutes: Item 6, Susan and Peter attended Sector Council
3. Business arising
4. Discussion of strategy with the new Minister of Voluntary Sector.
 - a. Communication plan for Minister: Members will be surveyed on issues to identify as important to be communicated to minister.
5. Workshop and conferences
 - a. Margaree community session: 15-17 attended with 6 evaluations. Full report was forwarded by email. Peter reported it was a very good session.
 - b. "Legal Issues for Non-Profit" held, December 4th in Sydney was facilitated by Murdoch. Only 4 registered but it was very useful.
 - c. Future plans for workshops & conference:
 - i. Debbie Brennick will offer due diligence workshop in January
 - ii. Planning for annual conference will start: Geoff suggested modern volunteerism as a theme i.e hurdles to volunteering, benefits. January meeting will be devoted to conference planning and brainstorming.
6. Letter of support for King's County volunteer center, sent by email Dec 8 (Peter)
7. Regular CB Post column on the sector
8. CBCVO Financial Update (Susan): Balance end of November: \$ 11,732.30 with no outstanding cheques.

9. New Business

- a. Regular CB Post column on the sector: Agreed it is a good idea. Peter will approach CB Post.
- b. Research and awareness project on community information: Discussion on attitudes toward volunteering and structural issues within the sector concerning volunteers. It is necessary to have research and get data on the community. Regarding mapping, is it new information we should be gathering or do we try to gather existing secondary information. What information is necessary, valuable?

10. Next meeting: January 10/14, 10am

11. Adjournment: 11:49am