

Cape Breton Chamber of Voluntary Organizations  
Board Meeting – Friday April 17, 2015  
CBU, Verschuren Centre, room CS-102 (10:00 am)

In attendance: Peter; Margie; Susan; Eric; Laura

Regrets: Geoff

1. Agenda approved
2. Minutes of March approved, Margie moved, Susan seconded
3. Progress on the research project. Eric received word that NS Registry of Joint Stock will provide requested information. Peter met with George to determine how to align 14 years of data. Now have data from NS Joint Stock, CRA, Survey of Social Enterprises in NS[George K], 211 numbers, data from Community Sector Council. Eric's schedule will not allow him to work further on the project. A Research Committee including Eric, Peter, Margie, Laura will meet to determine how best to proceed with project. Will meet before next board meeting in May.
4. Finalizing (or dropping) the idea of Awards for "Community Cooperative Initiatives". - Discussed success of Townhouse in bringing multiple programs under one roof which could be a model for rest of CRBM. Inverness, with Jim Mustard's influence, was also given as an example. Margie and Susan suggested looking at the issue of cooperative initiatives fostering community development deeper and an award is not important. Eric suggested an award can illuminate good examples and initiatives. Margie suggested in order for the province to prosper the non-profit sector has to be engaged and considered elemental to community development. Eric suggested considering New Dawn as a partner in this. He also discussed sharing readings etc with each other Peter suggested conversation be discussed at next meeting
5. Future of the Community Sector Council
  - a. We invited her, but Tanya Andrews is not able to join us this week, her job wraps up on the day of our meeting. Eric says he understands there is to be a pay-for - service model based in Halifax. Suggestion was that Tanya may be invited to a future board meeting.

6. Workshop, conferences and AGM – Individuals should consider nominees for the Board for the next meeting when the AGM will be set.
7. Community Counts – Laura reported that Community Counts was closed as a provincial budget cuts.
8. CBCVO Financial Update - \$10, 354. Corrected amount for March was \$10,358
9. Next meeting - May 8 at 10am
10. Adjournment, 12:24pm