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Sivunivut Corporation Board Meeting September 02, 2009

In attendance: Ed Tuttauk, Chair
Katherine Baikie Pottle, Treasurer
Mina Campbell Hibbs, Vice-Chair
Ernie McLean, Secretary
Kay Russell [co-ordinator]

Regrets: Keith Watts, Director
Trudy Mesher Barkman, Director
Emily Powel, Director

Call to order 7:10 pm

Motion: Approve the agenda: Moved Ernie / Katherine [motion carried]

Motion: To approve the May 25, 2009 minutes as presented.
Moved: Mina / Ernie [motion carried]

Business Arising:

Donna Michelin officially appointed as Electoral Officer for Sivunivut.

Action: Community Freezer Caribou allocation: Write a letter to MHA John Hickey requesting his assistance in obtaining an allocation of 20 animals for the community freezer in NWR.

HR Issues: issues clarified on employment rules for Sivunivut

Following the Sivunivut – NunaKatiget meeting of April 22, 2009 in which NunaKatiget agreed to forward their budget to the NG and Sivunivut by May 28, 2009, NG has yet to make a decision on our 2010 budget.

Action: Write the Finance Minister, copy the Deputy Minister, requesting that a decision be made on the 2010 budget.

Saputjivik: Has re-opened with a new program, not much information yet.
Still no response to our question as to who has authority over the
Saputjivik building.

Action: Write the Minister of Health for clarification, copy DM and the First
Minister.

Ed's Report: attached
AGM set for September 16, 2009
AGM quorum issue clarified
Language instructor [needs to advertise outside NWR]
Develop a proposal for Climate Change funding
All salmon from freezer given out
Meet with Aurora Energy September 25, 2009

Kay's Report attached

Next meeting October 19, 2009 or at the call of the chair.

Motion: To adjourn 8:30pm moved Katherine [motion carried]

Secretary

Chairperson's Update September 2009

- Attended the of the NCP Human Health & Arctic Environmental Contaminants Symposium in Iqaluit June 8-13. In this session, the Canadian Arctic Contaminants and Health Assessment Report was launched. There were speakers and representatives from the circumpolar north including Canada, Alaska, Russia, and Scandinavia presenting their research findings of how contaminants and climate change have affected the lives of these countries native people.
- Met with the Minister & DM of Culture to reapply to NG for the ULM Inuktitut Language Initiative that was budgeted for in the 2008 Supplementary Budget Bill. Also met the Inuktitut instructor in Goose Bay to view their Inuktitut program. Have advertised once for an instructor here, but received no applications. Next steps??
- Attended June sitting in Hopedale. At this sitting of the Assembly, the following Bills were introduced, debated and brought into law:
- **Torngat Co-Op Loan Guarantees Act 2009** - a law which authorizes the Nunatsiavut Government to issue loan guarantees to support commercial borrowing in order to support operations by Torngat Fish Producers for the period April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010.
- **An Act to Amend the Beneficiaries Enrolment Act, IL-2005-13** - the amendment to this Act resulted in the approval to create a new application form for enrolment as a beneficiary to the LILCA;
- **Subordinate Legislation Rectification Act 2009** - this Act corrected any errors or delays in enactment or registration of certain Subordinate Legislation under the Nunatsiavut Laws Registration Act;
- **LIDC Multi-User Bulk Storage Facility Act 2009** - this Act authorized the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources to issue a renewal permit to Labrador Inuit Development Corporation to operate a multi-user bulk storage facility on Labrador Inuit Lands for a term of three years and establish the terms and conditions for the operation of the facility;
- **Supplemental Budget Act 2009** - this Act approved a supplementary budget for 2009-2010 and authorizes the Nunatsiavut Treasurer to spend \$328,122.00 from the Nunatsiavut Fund that was appropriated under Supplementary Budget Act 2008, but which was not spent by the end of the last fiscal year.
- Also at this sitting, three resolutions were adopted by the Nunatsiavut Assembly:
- **Lease or Permits for Quarrying Purposes** - this resolution gives authorization to the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources to issue a lease or permit for quarrying purposes to the Inuit Community Governments, eligible contractors or persons to access existing quarry sites on Labrador Inuit Lands within the boundaries of Inuit Communities;
- **Constituency Allowances** - there were numerous recommendations on the uses of constituency allowances, these are available for viewing at the office. The allowance is intended to cover the cost of services not normally provided by the Nunatsiavut Government. The annual allocation for constituency allowance spending per constituency is as follows: elected representatives in the Inuit Communities receive \$4000.00, Upper Lake Melville representatives receive \$7500.00, and the elected official for Canada receives \$52,000.00.
- **Elected Officials Benefits Package and Reporting Requirements** - The NA approved a benefits package and reporting requirements for Elected Officials of six weeks annual leave, sick leave accrual rate of 1¼ days per month, five hunting, fishing and gathering

days annually, one civic and one optional religious holiday annually. Elected Officials must report all leave and travel by completing the Leave/Travel Tracking Form when leave and travel are completed.

- Partnered with the NDHSD to host Family Day at the Waterfront.
- Summer students, Katherine Blake and Christopher Butler were hired for a period of 6 weeks. These students were responsible for the Elders Storytelling conducting interviews and transcribing previous interviews.
- Attended NG Strategic Planning session in Nain; purpose to develop priorities for the government in the upcoming years.

Upcoming meetings –

- AGM scheduled for September 16
- Aurora would like to meet with the Board the week of the AGM or after the 23rd.
- 17th annual NCP results workshop Sept 28-Oct 2
- NG Strategic Plan Oct 7-9 Hopedale.

Program Co-ordinator's Report

Boat Operator Accredited Training Course (Boat Safety) To April 19, 2009 Sivunivut has paid for 34 beneficiaries in this area to take the course at a cost of \$84.75 each, HST included. This course had to be cancelled for 3 Saturdays in a row in May. People signed up for it, but then did not take it due to other commitments. At one point we had 13 names on the list to attend the course. Over the summer, half of this number did the course online. It was decided to charge the beneficiaries the \$84.75 prior to taking the course. Upon completion of the course they will be reimbursed. This is to get people to keep their commitment to do the course, however from opinions heard, it is not well accepted. As of this date, the campus here does not have enough names to warrant putting off the course.

Storytelling Project for Elders.

We hired two summer students, Katharine Blake and Chris Butler to do interviews, compile information and cross check what we had gathered by Katimavik. They did a lot of typing, spell checking and finishing work in their 6 weeks on the project. They also typed some of the Mulligan Come Home Year interviews. We are working on timelines for the project and will be looking into costs and places for printing.

The community freezer is now empty. 105 salmon were distributed this summer.

We have received 6 fiddles, 6 guitars and 6 accordions from O'Brien's Music Shop. Courses in these instruments will be starting up in early September with guitar starting first. Interest at this point in time is very low.

We had scheduled a one day retreat for young women on May 23 - Empowering Young Women at Saputjivik - a day of activity and learning for girls from 15 – 19. Lunch, prizes, games, while touching on the subjects of self-esteem, boundaries, intimate relationships, dating violence, safety

plans, etc. This was posted in four places, two visits to the school and on TVCR for 3 weeks with no interest. It was cancelled because NO ONE signed up to take it. Ongoing contact with the instructors shows interest for women of any age and we are holding meetings to work on this idea. We are looking at offering this over a couple of evening sessions instead of all day on the weekend.

Net Mending and Bringing To Course, instructed by Perry Michelin was held two weekends (July 11 & 12 and July 18 & 19) in the basement of the Town Building. 7 people took the course. We may hold it again in the fall if there is enough interest.