

## Meeting Minutes

### First Nations Relations Committee

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Wednesday, May 26, 2021

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom  
625 Fisgard St.  
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

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#### PRESENT

Directors: M. Tait (Chair), G. Isitt (Vice Chair), B. Desjardins (EP), K. Harper (for F. Haynes) (EP), P. Brent (for D. Howe) (EP), J. Olsen, G. Orr (EP), J. Ranns (EP), L. Seaton, K. Williams (EP)

First Nations Member: Councillor J. Olsen

Staff: K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; C. Vernon, Manager, First Nations Relations; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; S. Orr, Senior Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP – Electronic Participation

Regrets: F. Haynes, D. Howe, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

#### 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

The Chair provided the Territorial Acknowledgement.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED** by Director Seaton, **SECONDED** by Director Isitt,  
That the agenda for the May 26, 2021 First Nations Relations Committee meeting  
be approved.

**CARRIED**

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes

[21-135](#)

Minutes of the November 25, 2020 First Nations Relations Committee Meeting

**MOVED** by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Seaton,  
That the minutes of the First Nations Relations Committee meeting of November  
25, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### 4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed Caitlyn Vernon, First Nations Relations Manager and thanked outgoing Manager, Eric Kelch for his service. She welcomed First Nation Member, Councillor Joni Olsen and offered a welcome gift.

#### 5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

#### 6. Committee Business

##### 6.1. [21-323](#) 2021 First Nations Relations Standing Committee Terms of Reference

K. Morley spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Treaty process
- Terms of reference
- Treaty advisory recommendations
- Census data on reserve land

**MOVED by Director Seaton, SECONDED by Director Isitt,  
That the First Nations Relations Standing Committee receive the 2021 Terms of  
Reference attached at Appendix A.  
CARRIED**

**6.2.**     [21-451](#)     Inclusive Governance & Decision-Making Update

C. Vernon spoke to Item 6.2.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Jurisdictional authority
- Traditional territories

**Motion Arising**

**MOVED** by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Orr,  
That the First Nations Relations Committee refer the staff report to the  
Capital Regional District Board to discuss CRD Board priority 3a.

Discussion ensued regarding interpretation of the language in the staff report.

**MOVED** by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Brent,  
That the motion arising be postponed until after motion to receive the  
staff report has been considered.

**CARRIED**

Opposed: Desjardins, Harper, Ranns, Williams

**MOVED** by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Seaton,  
That the First Nations Relations Committee recommends to the Capital  
Regional District Board:  
That this report be received for information.

**MOVED** by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Seaton,  
That the staff recommendation be amended to include the words "and  
that staff report back at next First Nations Relations Committee meeting  
with additional information and clarification on the priorities and  
strategies identified in the report" after the words "That this report be  
received for information".

**DEFEATED**

Opposed: Brent, Desjardins, Harper, Isitt, Olsen, Orr, Ranns, Seaton,  
Tait, Williams

**MOVED** by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Seaton,  
That the First Nations Relations Committee recommends to the Capital  
Regional District Board:  
That this report be received for information.

**CARRIED**

Opposed: Desjardins, Ranns, Williams

**Postponed Motion Arising**

The postponed motion arising was not moved.

**6.3.**     [20-756](#)     First Nations Cultural Honorarium Policy

K. Morley spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Budget
- Board compensation

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Seaton,  
That the First Nations Relations Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
District Board:**

**That this report be received for information.**

**CARRIED**

**6.4.**     [21-452](#)     Intercultural Skills Training for Board Directors

C. Vernon spoke to Item 6.4.

Discussion ensued regarding training.

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Councillor Olsen,  
That the First Nations Relations Committee recommends to the Capital  
Regional District Board:**

**That staff be directed to work with the Board and First Nations  
representatives to develop and offer Intercultural Skills Training for  
CRD Directors.**

**MOVED by Director Tait, SECONDED by Alternate Director Brent,  
That the motion be amended to add the words "and Alternate Directors"  
after the words "CRD Directors".**

**CARRIED**

The question was called on the main motion as amended:

**That the First Nations Relations Committee recommends to the Capital  
Regional District Board:**

**That staff be directed to work with the Board and First Nations  
representatives to develop and offer Intercultural Skills Training for  
CRD Directors and Alternate Directors.**

**CARRIED**

**7. Notice(s) of Motion**

There were no notice(s) of motions.

**8. New Business**

There was no new business.

**9. Adjournment**

**MOVED** by Director Seaton, **SECONDED** by Councillor Olsen,  
That the May 26, 2021 First Nations Relations Committee meeting be adjourned at  
3:01 pm.  
**CARRIED**

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Chair

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Recorder