# GIANT MINE OVERSIGHT BOARD (GMOB) MEETING Oct. 06, 2017, 9:00 a.m. (MT) GMOB Office, 5014-50<sup>th</sup> Ave., Yellowknife NT

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Present:	Dr. Kathy Racher, Chair
	Ben Nind, Executive Director (ED)
	Letitia Pokiak, Office Administrator (OA)
Via teleconference:	Ken Froese
	Ginger Stones
	Tony Brown
	David Livingstone
Absent/Regrets:	Ken Hall

#### 1. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. Quorum was met.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Motion:** Moved: Ginger Stones moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded: Ken Froese.

Motion carried.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: July 28, 2017

It was noted that Ginger Stones shared a draft of performance measures for GMOB. The Board agreed to discuss these at the next meeting.

Motion: Moved: Ken Froese moved to approve the July 28, 2017 meeting minutes.

Seconded: Tony Brown.

Motion carried.

# 4. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair updated the Board on discussions with the Deputy Director of the Giant Mine Project Team, as well as the Chair's attendance at the Wilfred Laurier University panel and Northern Contaminants Workshop.

Action item: Ginger Stones will follow up with INAC regarding the Labour Study.

#### 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director reported on the activities of GMOB administration, communication, schedule and outreach activities.

# 6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Tony Brown

The Treasurer and Executive Director presented the financials to date. It was agreed that a new budget would not be required, but an estimate of incurred expenses to date should be included with future financial reports. The Board also agreed that the overdraft agreement with the bank will be kept in place until March 31, 2018.

#### 7. DIRECTOR COMPENSATION – Kathy Racher

The Board discussed honoraria rates comparing the mandates, responsibilities, expertise and rates of other oversight and regulatory Boards in the Northwest Territories. They agreed to an increase, with a review in two years.

**Motion: Moved:** Ken Froese moved to increase the honoraria rate to \$700.00 per day for the GMOB Board of Directors, effectively immediately.

Seconded: David Livingstone.

Motion carried.

**Action item:** The ED will administer the increase in Director honouraria with the bookkeeper.

# 8. UPDATE STATE OF KNOWLEDGE (SOK) PUBLIC PRESENTATION - Tony Brown

Tony updated the Board on the arrangements for the SOK presentation by Arcadis. The Chair and Ken Froese will meet with Arcadis to review the final presentation.

Break 10:18 a.m. Meeting resumed at 10:33 a.m.

# 9. UPDATE GMOB RESEARCH PROGRAM WORKSHOP - Tony Brown and Ken Froese

Tony Brown and Ken Froese updated the Board on the status of the GMOB Research Program Workshop set for October 19 -20, 2017 in Ottawa, ON.

**Action item:** The ED will send the final Agenda to all participants, with a link to the State of Knowledge Plain Language Summary and the final State of Knowledge Report.

# 10. HUMAN HEALTH AND ECOLOGICAL RISK ASSESSMENT (HHERA) / HEALTH EFFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HEMPAC) UPDATE – Ken Froese

Ken Froese updated the Board on the status of the HEMPAC and HHERA.

The draft HHERA report has been received and its review has just begun.

The HEMPAC program started in September. The final report is scheduled to be completed in 2019. It will not include the volunteer samples. The ED reported that there have been a number of inquiries from outside of the territory and that these have been directed to the HEMPAC coordinators.

# 11. UPDATE MEASURE 6, INAC LONG TERM FUNDING MEETING, SEPT. 29, 2017 – Tony Brown and Ginger Stones

Directors Tony Brown and Ginger Stones participated in the meeting and reported that Alternatives North (AN) was concerned about further delays. They have provided their comments to the Project Team, who are expected to reply by the end of the year.

**Action item:** Tony Brown will incorporate the Chair's comments to the long term funding memo, and send to Ginger Stones and the Chair for review.

# ANNUAL REPORT WRITING WORKSHOP – Chair Kathy Racher and Ginger Stones

#### a. GMRPT Annual Report

The Project Team's Annual Report has been delayed and should be received by the end of the month. The Board discussed the process for review.

**Action item:** Ginger Stones will provide an initial review of the Project Team's Annual Report and share it with the Board.

#### b. Report Writing Workshop

The Board discussed the writing workshop process. It was agreed to hire a facilitator, and that the Board would have to prepare for the workshop. The workshop is scheduled for November 14 & 15, 2017.

**Action item:** The ED will contact the facilitator and obtain a workshop description and quote, for approval by the Board.

## 12. PROJECT TEAM AND SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING - Chair Kathy Racher

#### a. Discussion Formats

The format of the Project Team and Semi Annual meetings were discussed. A draft agenda will be distributed to the Board and then to the Parties for their input.

**Action item:** The ED will distribute the draft agendas to the Board and then to the Parties for their input.

#### b. Recording of Minutes

The Board discussed how to best record the proceedings of the Semi Annual meetings and the AGM. It was agreed that they will be recorded and transcribed for the record.

**Action item:** Administration will ensure that the Parties are notified about this change and arrange for a professional recording of the meetings.

## 13. UPDATE GMOB DISPLAY MODEL - ED

The ED updated the Board on the status of the public display unit contracted by 3DS Inc. The revised quote was discussed and it was agreed to proceed with the contract.

**Motion:** Moved: Ken Froese moved to revise the 3DS contract with an increase of \$15,350.10 to complete the underground display model.

Seconded: Tony Brown.

Motion carried.

#### 14. UPCOMING SCHEDULE - ED

The GMOB's State of Knowledge (SOK) presentation is scheduled for the evening of Oct 11, 2017.

The GMOB's Research Program Workshop in Ottawa is scheduled for Oct 19 - 20, 2017.

The release of Project Team's Annual Report is expected to be Oct 31, 2017.

The next Giant Mine Working Group (GMWG) meetings are scheduled for Oct 12 & Nov 9, 2017.

The next HEMPAC meeting is scheduled for Nov 10, 2017

The Baker Creek Diversion Final Report is to be released in Nov 2017 by the Project Team.

#### 15. OTHER BUSINESS

#### a. Legal Opinion

The Board discussed the recent legal opinion on the water licence issue.

Action item: David Livingstone will provide a synopsis of the opinion and options for moving forward.

# b. Arsenic Conference - Tony Brown and Ken Froese

An international conference on arsenic is scheduled for the summer of 2018 in Beijing, China. Tony Brown and Ken Froese will create abstracts for submission to the Conference and share these with the Board.

## c. Conference

Ken Froese shared with the Board the details of the Society for Risk Analysis Conference coming up in December. He expressed interest in attending this event.

**Action item:** Ken Froese to send the ED a preliminary budget to attend the Society for Risk Analysis Conference.

Motion: Moved: Tony Brown moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded: Ken Froese.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Dr. Kathy Racher

Chair

Giant Mine Oversight Board

November 6,2017

Date

# **GIANT MINE OVERSIGHT BOARD**

Motions; GMOB Meeting Date Oct. 6, 2017

**20. Motion: Moved:** Ginger Stones moved to approve the agenda.

**Seconded:** Ken Froese.

Motion carried.

21. Motion: Moved: Ken Froese moved to approve the July 28, 2017 meeting minutes.

Seconded: Tony Brown.

Motion carried.

**22. Motion: Moved:** Ken Froese moved to increase the per diem rate to \$700 for the Board of Directors, effectively immediately.

**Seconded:** David Livingstone.

Motion carried.

23. Motion: Moved: Ken Froese moved to contract 3DS \$15,350.10 to complete the underground

display model.

Seconded: Tony Brown.

Motion carried.

**24. Motion: Moved:** Tony Brown moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded: Ken Froese.

Motion carried.

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