# GIANT MINE OVERSIGHT BOARD (GMOB) MEETING NOTES

# January 24, 2018, 11:00 a.m. (MT) GMOB Office, 5014-50<sup>th</sup> Ave., Yellowknife NT

Call in details: 1-866-769-2211

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Present:	Dr. Kathy Racher, Chair (phone)
	Ken Hall (phone)
	Ginger Stones (phone)
	Tony Brown (phone)
	Ben Nind, Executive Director (ED)
	David Livingstone (phone)
Regrets:	Ken Froese

#### 1. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. Quorum was met.

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed. An addition was made under Other Business.

Motion: Moved: Ken H moved to approve the agenda.

**Seconded:** Tony B **Motion carried.** 

# 3. APPROVAL OF GMOB MINUTES: September 14, 2018

The Board reviewed the previous Minutes.

Motion: Moved: Tony B moved to accept the GMOB Minutes of September 17, 2018

**Seconded:** Ginger S **Motion carried.** 

## 4. Chairperson's Report

The Chair stated that she has been working on the draft GMOB annual report and preparing for the interviews for the new GMOB position. The Chair asked for Board Member updates:

Ginger S. stated that she had submitted comments on the draft GMOB annual report and wanted to ensure they were received.

Tony B stated that his activities were covered by the agenda.

Ken H stated that he had reviewed and commented on the draft GMOB annual report. He asked if GMOB had received any follow up from the Project Team regarding the buried material issues. The ED replied that he had received no communication in this regard.

# Action Item: ED to check on the status of the buried material issues with the Project Team

## 5. Executive Director Report

The Executive Director reported on the milestone activities of the GMOB administration since the last meeting.

The Board then discussed action items from the past November meetings.

a) Audit of GMOB activities by the Parties.

The Board discussed and agreed to develop a GMOB evaluation survey for the Parties to complete in preparation for the November 2019 meetings.

Action Item: ED and Ginger S to develop a draft survey for Board consideration in the fall.

b) Update from the planned Socio-Economic Tables
The Board/ Admin has not hear anything back on the planned formation of the Socio-Econ Tables discussed at the meetings in November.

Action Item: ED to check with the RDG on the status of the Terms of Reference and formation of the Socio-Economic Tables.

c) Progress on curriculum development.

The ED stated that he had contacted the GNWT and YKDFN regarding curriculum development after the November meetings but no one was available until the new year.

Action Item: ED to follow through on a meeting with GNWT, YKDFN and the RDG on the curriculum development initiative.

- d) Meeting Dates
  - i) MP Meeting Set Date
  - ii) MLA Meeting Set Date
  - iii) YK Historical Society Meeting Set Date

The Board discussed possible dates, realizing there were a number of upcoming conflicts.

Action Item: ED to survey the Board for meeting dates in the near future.

## 6. Financial Report - Tony B

The Treasurer/ED presented the Core budget and research financial statements to date.

## 7. Status of GMOB Annual Report - David L.

David updated the Board on the status of the draft GMOB Annual Report. Work to be done on the Appendixes and Tables next week, at which time, the next draft will be distributed. It was agreed that the draft illustration needed to be reworked.

Action Item: ED to complete the Appendixes and Tables and forward to David L.

Action Item: ED to arrange GMOB meeting (February 11, 2019) to review the draft GMOB Annual Report.

Action Item: ED to contact plain language editor and layout designer for the editing and production schedule.

## 8. Status of Research Program - Tony B.

## a) TERRE-NET meeting

Tony updated the Board on his recent meeting with TERRE-NET which is currently developing a research program proposal for GMOB's consideration. The proposal should be completed by mid-February. The possibility of new-year NSERC leverage funding was also discussed.

## b) Dundee Technologies

Tony updated the Board on his preliminary discussions with Dundee Technologies. These discussions included confidentiality agreements, sample sizes, and proposed costs. The Board agreed that more discussions would be necessary moving forward.

## c) CIRNAC Samples - ED

The ED stated that the sample request was delivered to CIRNAC today. CIRNAC had an internal process of review and would then either transfer the samples or ask for more information.

## d) TERRE-NET MOU - ED

The ED stated that the draft MOU was still in the hands of the University of Waterloo.

Action Item: ED to contact the University of Waterloo regarding the status of the draft MOU.

## 9. Socio-Economic and Measure 6 – Ginger S.

Ginger updated the Board on the status of the socio-economic initiatives. GMOB is awaiting an update on the terms of reference for the socio-economic tables. She also updated the Board on Measure 6, stating that there had been no communication since before the new-year. She expects another draft Measure 6 report to be coming soon. Ginger also stated that she would share with Board the recent NWT labour forecast and needs assessment, as it contained valuable baseline information.

Action Item: ED to contact the Project regarding the status of the Measure 6 Deloitte Report.

## 10. MVLWB Water Licence Process Allocation of work - Kathy R.

Kathy asked that this agenda item be considered under # 12 of the current agenda.

#### 11. GMOB Technical Reviewer Interviews – Kathy R.

Kathy updated the Board on the interview process for the Technical Reviewer position. A candidate was chosen and the Chair would be contacting him. The Board discussed a number of issues surrounding the hire and a backup plan if the candidate should not accept the position.

Action Item: Chair to contact the successful candidate and offer him the position of Technical Reviewer. If the candidate declines the offer then the position will be offered to the second candidate.

## 12. Draft GMOB Work Plan 2019 - 2020 - ED

The ED presented the draft work plan for 2019-2020. The Board discussed how the increased workload would be handled.

## 13. Draft GMOB Budget 2019 - 2020 - ED

The ED presented the 2019-2020 draft budget. The Board discussed the budget in the face of increased responsibilities the water licencing process will bring. It was agreed that the budget be tracked closely, with quarterly reports being shared with the CIRNAC, to measure the impact of the additional work upon the Core Funding.

Motion: Moved: Tony B moved to accept the GMOB 2019-2020 Work Plan and Budget.

**Seconded:** Ginger S **Motion carried.** 

Action Item: ED to arrange a meeting between GMOB and CIRNAC to go over the approved GMOB work plan and budget for 2019-2020.

## 14. Chamber of Commerce article and letters - Ken H.

Ken H. raised the challenge of relating the stories of the legacy of Giant Mine. He was concerned that unsubstantiated information was circulating in the community after an article appeared in the Chamber of Commerce magazine. He wanted GMOB to be aware and sensitive to the importance of have documented proof of harm caused by past mine activities. The Board discussed this issue.

## 15. Other Business

a) Summer Student Hire - ED

The ED updated the Board on a student request for summer work. The Board stated that it wanted to concentrate on the current hiring before taking on a summer position request.

## **16. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for February 11, 2019 to review the draft GMOB Annual Report.

Motion: Moved: Ken Hall moved to adjourn the meeting

Seconded: Ginger Stones

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25p.m.

Dr. Kathy Racher

Chair

Giant Mine Oversight Board

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