

SOUTHERN INTERIOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Executive Meeting – Monday September 21, 2015
Meeting held at Vancouver Convention Centre, Vancouver, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Councillor Chad Eliason
1 st Vice President	Councillor Shelley Sim
Directors	Councillor Lori Mindnich
	Director Willow MacDonald
	Councillor Diana Guerin
	Councillor Charlie Hodge
Executive Director	Alison Slater

Absent

2nd Vice President	Director Patty Hanson
Past President	Councillor Marg Spina
	Director Mike Macnabb
	Councillor Helena Konanz
	Councillor Donovan Cavers

CALL TO ORDER

President Eliason called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded by Willow Macdonald/Charlie Hodge THAT:

The agenda to be adopted with the following additions:

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded by Charlie Hodge/Diana Guerin THAT:

The draft minutes of the Executive Meeting held at the South Thompson Inn on July 21st, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Hospital District re: shortage of physiotherapists in Northern BC and the request for funding for 20 additional physiotherapy seats at UNBC.

Received for filing

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

1. UBCM – SILGA Schedule
 - Give Opposition Critics same letters as we give Ministers to reconfirm issues to be raised. Quagga/Zebra Mussel fight, Education funding for rural schools, recruitment of health care professionals in SILGA area.
 - At Premier/Ministers meeting, no time to go over these issues – just hand them prepared letters. SILGA will talk briefly about the Water Act and that no information has been forthcoming from the Province. We would like to know how it will impact our members and see if we can have any input prior to its release.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Finance 101 seminars – October 7th in West Kelowna, October 14th in Kamloops.
 - All speakers are in place and venues booked. We have sent out information to the members and will remind them of the courses at the SILGA luncheon. To date we have 22 registered for Kamloops and 11 registered for W. Kelowna.
2. SILGA Luncheon at UBCM
 - WoodWorks! has not been able to come up with sponsorship money so they won't be speaking. We will do their awards after the lunch.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Report - Executive Director Alison Slater

- As at August 31st, 2015 SILGA had \$ 22,683 in the bank and \$131,419 in the MFA account.
- Retreat was expensive but gave SILGA excellent direction as to the issues we need to focus on.
- Directors were in receipt of the General Ledger and MFA account reconciliation to August 31, 2015.
- Next meeting an amended membership fee structure will be discussed.

Moved/Seconded by Diana Guerin/Willow Macdonald THAT:
The Treasurer's report be received.

CARRIED

2. Convention Report - Kelowna 2016

- All venues including welcome reception and golf have been booked.
- Partner's program. Not enough people have been participating for the amount of work to organize it. It will be cancelled.
- Speakers thank you. Donation or gift? A gift of local products is often bulky and speakers are unable or do not want to take it back with them. SILGA will continue to go with a gift for 2016 but we will reconsider it for 2017.
- Blessing at Opening Ceremonies.

Moved/Seconded by Willow MacDonald/Lori Mindnich THAT:

Remove the non-denominational blessing from the SILGA convention opening ceremonies as directed by the Supreme Court decision which states there should be no religion in local politics.

DEFEATED

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Chad to ask UBCM for direction on this issue.

Date of Next Meeting - November 4th in Merritt

Adjournment

Moved/Seconded by Charlie Hodge/Diana Guerin THAT:

At 1:07 pm the SILGA Executive Meeting of September 21, 2015 be adjourned.

CARRIED

Alison Slater
Executive Director