

SOUTHERN INTERIOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Executive Meeting – Wednesday January 15, 2014
Meeting held at District of Lake Country, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Councillor Marg Spina
1 st Vice President	Director Tim Pennell
Past President	Councillor Harry Kroeker
Directors	Director Angelique Wood
	Councillor Chad Eliason
	Mayor Janice Brown
	Mayor Susan Roline
	Director Patty Hanson
Executive Director	Alison Slater
Regrets	Councillor Garry Litke
	Councillor Ryan Nitchie
	Councillor Shelley Sim
Guest	Rhona Martin, CSRD Director, UBCM President
Guest	Minister Coralee Oakes, Community, Sport and Cultural Development
	Heather Brazier, Executive Lead, Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development
	Mayor James Baker, Lake Country
	Councillor Lisa Cameron, Lake Country

CALL TO ORDER

President Spina called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

ELECTION EXPENSE LIMITS

Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development presided over a round table discussion on election expense criteria.

At 12:05 pm Minister Oakes, Heather Brazier, Mayor Baker and Councillor Cameron left the meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Janice Brown THAT:

The agenda to be adopted with the following addition under New Business:

5. Minister Coralee Oakes thank you.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded by Angelique Wood/Janice Brown THAT:

The draft minutes of the Executive Meeting held in Kamloops on October 29, 2013 be adopted with the following change:

Timing of President Spina's arrival will show 5:22 pm, with President Spina taking over the chair at 5:25 pm, after the vote on the SVABC motion.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

1. **Policy Changes.**

- SILGA's practice has been to accept issues from councils and regional districts within our area for consideration. Should SILGA be considering issues from individual councillors?
- Should SILGA be ensuring that any issue considered applies to local governments or can more general topics be discussed?
- Should SILGA consider the spirit and meaning of the issue that applies to all SILGA members in regards to the questions above?

Moved/Seconded by Angelique Wood/Susan Roline THAT:

Only issues brought forth by SILGA members (either councils or regional districts) will be advocated by SILGA. Issues brought forth by individuals will not be accepted.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Angelique Wood THAT:

Further to the above motion, SILGA staff draft proposed amendments to the Aims/Objectives section in the SILGA constitution to more clearly define topics and issues to be discussed by SILGA. Once this constitutional amendment(s) have been accepted by the SILGA executive it will be included in the resolutions to be debated at the annual SILGA convention.

CARRIED

1. **SVABC Motion.**

Moved/Seconded by Tim Pennell/Angelique Wood THAT:

The SVABC Motion made during the October 29, 2013 meeting be withdrawn.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Constitution Changes.** Nothing has been proposed for this year's AGM, excepting what was discussed in the policy changes.

2. **Insurance**

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Janice Brown THAT:

SILGA purchase a Commercial General Liability policy for \$5 million and a Directors and Officers liability policy for \$1 million with Capri Insurance. Premiums will be approximately \$1,500/yr.

CARRIED

3. **LGLA Educational Session – Feb. 6-8, Richmond, BC**

- President Spina and Councillor Eliason are attending through their councils.

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Tim Pennell THAT:

Executive Director to attend LGLA educational session and SILGA will cover all costs of travel and hotel.

CARRIED

4. SILGA Communications

- SILGA Executive must keep all communications, both verbal and written, respectful at all times between executive members, the public and member communities.

5. Minister Oakes – local election spending discussion

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Tim Pennell THAT:

SILGA send out letter thanking Minister Oakes for meeting with the SILGA executive and allowing the executive to provide input on the expense limit discussions.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Report – Director Roline

- As at November 30, 2013 SILGA has \$15,488.66 in the bank and \$129,079.06 in the MFA account. .
- Directors were in receipt of the General Ledger and MFA account reconciliation to November 30, 2013.

Moved/Seconded by Chad Eliason/Angelique Wood THAT:

The Treasurer's report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 2014 Convention Report, Penticton – Director Eliason

- Keynote speaker (Nenshi) still not confirmed but have a backup in place if needed.
- Program is fully booked.
- Will be doing an after banquet party at the Lakeside Casino on Thursday night in conjunction with BCLC.
- Planning to have a tour set up on Tuesday of the Sterile Insect Release facility in Osoyoos.
- Have 20 sponsors for \$51,700 in place.

3. Education Report

- With LGLA active again and running educational sessions for locally elected officials, does SILGA continue to provide local sessions within the SILGA region (cheaper for members)?

Moved/Seconded by Tim Pennell/Chad Eliason THAT:

The next Accounting 101 seminar will be offered in the fall of 2015, starting in the south.

CARRIED

4. MIA Report – tabled as Director Nitchie was unable to attend.

5. Communications Report

- Staff to produce another newsletter. Newsletter will include Minister Oakes discussions on expense spending limits, resolutions and nomination deadlines, Interior Health water systems, accounting seminar etc.

6. Resolution Report

- Resolutions committee has extended offer to any SILGA member to help prepare resolution.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Minister Thompson – follow up from the UBCM meeting.
2. Letter from Minister Lake – follow up from the UBCM meeting.
 - Venture Kamloops is being proactive to recruit doctors throughout the Thompson-Nicola region.

Moved/Seconded by Susan Roline /Chad Eliason THAT:

President Spina follow up with Councillor Sim to ask about doctor recruitment and to write letter to Minister Lake, if needed.

CARRIED

3. Letter from Minister Stone – follow up from the UBCM meeting.

These three letters will be received for information.

4. Letter from Interior Health re: small water systems
 - Add to newsletter and get back to Interior Health with input from our members
5. SLRD letter re: regional district penalties/fines

Moved/Seconded by Tim Pennell/Janice Brown THAT:

SILGA sends letter to SLRD suggesting they prepare a resolution on this topic to be debated at the SILGA AGM in May.

CARRIED

6. **Lillooet letter re: gas tax funding formula**
 - Receive for information as this will be dealt with at the UBCM level.

7. COFI convention

Moved/Seconded by Janice Brown/Chad Eliason THAT:

President Spina or her designate will attend the COFI convention in Kelowna in early April.

CARRIED

8. **CN Speech re: dangerous goods travelling through communities**
 - Receive for information

Date of Next Meeting – Either March 7th or 12th in Vernon,

Adjournment

Moved/Seconded by Susan Roline/Tim Pennell THAT:

At 2:16 pm the SILGA Executive Meeting of January 15, 2014 be moved in camera to discuss personnel.

CARRIED

Alison Slater
Executive Director