

**Shawnigan Basin Society Directors General Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2025 – Final Meeting Minutes
Online (Zoom) and SBS Office**

Time: 19:00 – 20:45

Board Members:

Dave Munday, President
Bernhard Juurlink, Vice President
Shirley Astleford, Treasurer (Regrets)
Marcy Fenske, Secretary
Bill Savage, Director
Bryn Wyka, Director (Regrets)

Cliff Evans, Director
David Hutchinson, Director (Regrets)
Linda Gregory, Director
Barry Gates, Director (Regrets)
John Robertson, Director

Guests: Richard Best, Kim Barnard

1. Call to order/Welcome and Introductions - Dave M.

2. Approval of Minutes - Marcy F.

2.1. Approved January 2025 Meeting Minutes **Motion: Bernie J., Cliff E. seconded. All approved.**

3. President's Update - Dave M.

3.1. As part of 5 year plan - Funding needed to level we need, now at \$15,000 CVRD. Need admin person, require ~\$40,000 year. 5 strategic partner tasks: Watershed Mgt Plan, water quality assist to CVRD, Malahat Nation, forest tenure/community forest trusts, milfoil removal. Additional tasks, e.g. John's educational work, 6PPDQ, Capital Paving testing, community education, collaborations, etc. Track Director labour, volunteer labour and disbursements to determine estimate of what we're "spending" to achieve these goals. Organize 1 page summary by Sept.

4. Public Input Period - Guests

4.1. No guests with input

5. Treasurer's Report - Shirley A.

5.1. Review of Current Position
5.1.1. \$2,000 receivable Mosaic. Pam emailed will reissue ok.
5.1.2. Cash on hand \$107.00 (including \$100 float)
5.1.3. Organizational Value - \$2395.19 (Actual value .097 incl. rent and Mastercard payable)
5.1.4. Gaming Account - \$0.00
5.1.5. Projects balance \$6272.62 - Actual value \$6538.78 (LUSH \$5000, Watersheds Canada \$1538.78)
5.1.6. 2024 Receivables \$2525, 2025 Receivables \$15,000, Mason's \$525
5.1.7. Kim B. Notes that Rotary able to donate \$900/year through office share

6. Fundraising - Shirley A.

6.1. Canada Helps - \$0
6.2. True Earth Sales - \$0
6.3. IMP projected revenue - (Indigenous Medicinal Plant - Della) 2 planned events for 2025 (\$1250 Revenue expected)
6.4. T-shirt distribution and sales - \$1025 Masons (2024)
6.5. Island return it - Apply in the fall
6.6. Unsworth Fundraiser possible April 22 event (estimated revenue \$3500)
6.7. Water testing/milfoil/EBCP
6.8. Watershed Security Fund - hope for April
6.9. BCGG review - we didn't submit all needed documents (past 3 yr financial statements)
6.10. Swell Environmental meeting with Genevieve at SBS - funder matching possibility

7. New Business

7.1. Five-Year Plan 2026 to 2030 – Discussion
7.1.1. (Outlined in President's Update 3.1) Directors to send summary of their tasks to Bernie starting in March.
7.2. Youth Involvement Program in CVRD - John R.
7.2.1. Completed 1st talk at Frances Kelsey Env. Science class. John working on template presentation for other Directors to use. Ali Ballantyne will join SBS March meeting to outline expectations. Louis Chancellor looking for volunteers in May for nose tagging/fin clip.

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- 7.3. Office Space for 2025 - Shirley A.
 - 7.3.1. Continue fundraising, Bill S. working on an idea. Watershed Security Fund apply in fall 2025
- 7.4. Communication with Pam Jorgensen of Mosaic - Shirley A.
 - 7.4.1. \$2000 for this year has been approved. Current agreement expired. Need to have meeting with Pam - Dave M., Bernie J., possibly John R.

8. Ongoing Business

- 8.1. Weir Tour Report - Cliff E.
- 8.2. 6PPDQ Testing - Marcy F.
 - 8.2.1. A sampling was done Jan 29 - Feb 1 in lower Shawnigan 3 sites.
- 8.3. Upcoming Focus Article - Discussion
 - 8.3.1. 2 articles: Watersheds Canada - Natural Edge to attract property owners to project & 6PPDQ (Marcy)
- 8.4. Private Managed Forest Lands Act Alliance Group - John R.
 - 8.4.1. Initiative centred on changing the Forest Act to an eco-based system. Want same effort to public land embraced by Private Managed Forest Act. Meeting of all groups to present overall objectives/goals Feb 24.
- 8.5. SBS Speaker Series - Bernie J.
 - 8.5.1. Bernie trying Mark VanDoorn Provincial fisheries - Aquatic Habitat. April 17th Bernie - Bat Presentation
- 8.6. Milfoil Removal Program - Dave M.
 - 8.6.1. Permit received for Coldwater Milfoil removal until March 1. Test with Venturi pumping system using burlap bags Qty 2 10'x5' delivered to Duncan for \$84. Floating beside boat, closed around pump. Feb 19th test scheduled, will connect with Adrian Fletcher for drone survey before and after, Divers doing for FREE.
- 8.7. Elkington Forest Tenure - Barry G.(absent, defer to next meeting)
- 8.8. Strategic Alliance - Kim B.
 - 8.8.1. Sat Feb 15th event - 10am - 2pm at SBS office. Volunteer appreciation, ad in February FOCUS. Cleanup Saturday April 26.
- 8.9. Satellite Imaging Algal Monitoring - Bryn W. (Absent, defer to next meeting)
 - 8.9.1. Next step to map lake prior to March 1
- 8.10. Watersheds Canada Foreshore Restoration Program - Shirley A. (Absent, defer to next meeting)
- 8.11. CVRD Active Development Permits and Board Meetings - Cliff E.
 - 8.11.1. EASC Feb 5 working on zoning until 2026. Prov. Gov't tasked CVRD to list Short Term Rentals
 - 8.11.2. Active development permit applications Area A - 24, Area B - 49, Area C - same as last month

9. Next SBS General Meeting set for March 4, 2025

10. Adjournment

Coming Events:

February 15 2025 Volunteer Meet & Greet with SLREC & SBS 10am - 2pm @SBS

February 26 to March 03 - Invasive Species Awareness week

March 03 2025 - World Wildlife Day

March 04 2025 - General Meeting 7-9pm

February 26 to March 03 - Invasive Species Awareness week

March 22 2025 - World Water Day

April 01 2025 - General Meeting 7-9pm

April 17 - Bat Appreciation Day

April 22 - Earth Day

April 26 - Shawnigan Rotary Eco Club Community Clean Up Day at SL Community Centre.

May 2025 - SBS Annual General Meeting

May 22 - International Day for Biological Diversity

June 05 - World Environment Day

June 07 - Canada's Clean Air Day

June 08 - World Oceans Day