

**Shawnigan Basin Society Directors General Meeting  
Tuesday, July 2, 2024 – Final Meeting Minutes  
Online (Zoom) and SBS Office**

**Time: 19:00 – 21:15**

**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  
Linda Gregory, Director  
Barry Gates, Director (Regrets)

**Guests:** Shelagh Bell-Irving, Kim Barnard, Diane Fairey, Richard Best, Vic Neufeld, John Robertson

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

**2. Approval of Minutes - Marcy F.**

2.1. Approved June 2024 Meeting Minutes as amended **Motion: Bernie J., Seconded: Cliff E. All approved.**

**3. President's Update - Dave M.**

- 3.1. Received \$10,000 payment from CVRD for Strategic Partnership Funding
- 3.2. Dave M. and Bernie J. attended Cowichan Stewardship Roundtable and gave presentation
- 3.3. CVRD purchased YSIProDSS meter for water sampling, SBS will assist in sampling

**4. Treasurer's Report - Shirley A.**

- 4.1. Review of Current Position - Received \$10,000 from CVRD (June deposit)
- 4.2. Org Value \$4487.10
- 4.3. Gaming 0
- 4.4. Projects \$17,130.52 (\$5000 LUSH, Restoration fund \$1538.78, remainder CW Milfoil)
- 4.5. FWCU Membership Shares \$6.32
- 4.6. Pre-authorized \$310.00 Square Sales (June deposit)
- 4.7. Accountant looking at possible GST Refund amendments

**5. Fundraising - Shirley A.**

- 5.1. Canada Helps - \$480.00 (June deposit)
- 5.2. True Earth Sales - \$66.12 (June deposit)
- 5.3. IMP projected revenue - \$600
- 5.4. "Lovin' Lake Life" (Reorder with Kids Sizes) -
- 5.5. T shirt distribution and sales
- 5.6. BC GAMING GRANT APPLICATION DUE end of July. Shirley will work with Kathy & Gordie to complete
- 5.7. Promotion of CW Milfoil program for Autumn. Create promotion for donations from those who want to be included in "pilot project" in addition to St. John's. Perhaps SLS would like to (more than) match funding? They have significant waterfront. Some individual owners would likely donate to be part of the pilot program too.

**6. New Business**

- 6.1. Appeal for Community Funding - Shirley A. - defer to next meeting
  - 6.1.1. Some promotion through June Focus Article
- 6.2. Presentation by Louis Chancellor - Bernie J.
  - 6.2.1. Friday July 5 at 7pm at SBS office about Shawnigan Lake School fish sampling and hatchery program
- 6.3. Climate Action Symposium Planning - Bernie J.
  - 6.3.1. Group called Cowichan Community Action Team - headed by Cindy Lise - to develop Climate Action Symposium some time in the fall, series of workshops. Some attendees at planning meeting : Keith Lawrence- Senior Environmental Analyst CVRD, Melissa Tokarek-Malahat Nation, Katie Mosewich - CVRD's Environmental Services, Jane Kilthei - One Cowichan and Mattie Matheo - (believed to be from Cowichan Tribes).
- 6.4. Pacific-Northwest Health Equity Network (PHEN) - Vic Neufeld

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- 6.4.1. (1) New name PHEN and (2) suggestion to renew collaboration with SBS. Prev name - British Columbia Coalition Institute. PHEN Society website: [www.equityscience.ca](http://www.equityscience.ca).
- 6.4.2. Can SBS please sign up to receive PHEN newsletters. \*likely easier for all directors to sign up individually
- 6.4.3. "Changing Forestry Practices in BC" program - collecting set of papers on forestry practices and how some current practices promote forest fires, decrease biodiversity and impacting stream flow, looking at case studies. 30 by 30 primary goal - SBS Community Forest Trusts a means of working towards this.
- 6.4.4. Vic, possibly Mira, Bernie and Dave M. Discussing a date to meet together some time this summer
- 6.5. Watershed Management Plan - Dave M.
  - 6.5.1. One of objectives provided to CVRD under strategic partner plan. Dave M. Has a draft copy of the current mgt plan - *Draft Watershed Characterization - Shawnigan Creek Watershed*. It's also on the SBS Cloud - Office 365. Discussion about making this document accessible to everyone to work on
  - 6.5.2. Keith Lawrence - CVRD is getting some information to us to provide guidance

**7. Ongoing Business**

- 7.1. Watershed Monitoring/Photos - Cliff E.
- 7.2. Upcoming Focus Article - Discussion -
  - 7.2.1. *Eco Ways to Stay and Play* in July issue, Milfoil Program for August (Dave M.)
- 7.3. Rental Space - Discussion - please hold for Shirley A. Participation & Pending GST rebate into
  - 7.3.1. Kim's two ideas (1) Camp Pringle - Bernie contacted Easter Seals and Dave H. will contact Camp Pringle, (2) South Cowichan Community Policing to share our office space? Marcy will inquire at their Mill Bay office.
- 7.4. Elkington Forest Tenure - Barry G.
  - 7.4.1. Bernie will follow up with Barry and would also like Barry to meet with everyone interested in Community Forest Trusts
- 7.5. Pacific Salmon Foundation's Community Salmon Grant - Bernie J.
  - 7.5.1. We have received 2 cameras and Bryn will look into new computer for office. Bernie took 1 camera home.
- 7.6. Strategic Alliance - Kim B.
  - 7.6.1. Memorandum of Understanding between Eco Rotary and SBS - Eco Rotary keeping connected with and promoting SBS. Focus on keeping connected with all of the community groups, Bottle collection bins fundraising at Mason's, Black Swan, etc, Table at Canada Day and Duncan Farmers Market. Eco Rotary using SBS office every Sunday through summer.
- 7.7. Barry Gates Led Forest Walks - Barry G.
  - 7.7.1. Bernie will follow up with Barry about next walk
- 7.8. Watersheds Canada Foreshore Restoration Program - Shirley A.
  - 7.8.1. Some discussion - Marcy did online training in March - 5 properties by fall 2025. We will discuss more with Shirley and possibly a separate meeting about program
- 7.9. Development Activity Update - Shirley A. - defer to next meeting
- 7.10. Milfoil Removal Project - Dave M.
  - 7.10.1. Dave M. talking with divers and working on dewatering table - vessel with self-baling decks. Will need to be built, Bill S. has offered his assistance
- 7.11. CVRD Active Development Permits - Cliff E.
  - 7.11.1. Area A - 85, Area B - 52, Area C -19
- 7.12. CVRD Board Meetings - Cliff E.
  - 7.12.1. Governance meeting tomorrow July 3 at 9:30am (trying to cut out public input)
  - 7.12.2. Next APC meeting Topic - Decommissioning a well
  - 7.12.3. CVRD meetings closed for all of August

**8. Next SBS General Meeting set for August 6, 2024**

**9. Adjournment**

Coming Events:

**July 5 2024** – Presentation on Fish in Shawnigan Lake – Louis Chancellor

**July 16 2024** – Cowichan Stewardship Roundtable (CSRT) Annual Field Day on the Cowichan River – Stoltz day use area, Cowichan River Provincial Park

**August 24 2024** - Cobble Hill Fair

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**September 22 2024 – Quw'utsun Sta'lo'Skweyul (Cowichan River Day) on Cowichan Tribes lands at Black Bridge beach**