

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

MINUTES: Conference Call No.63

Friday, November 1st 2002; 10:30am

Present:

Ben Kovic	Chairperson
Okalik Eegeesiak	Member
Kevin McCormick	Member
Robert Moshenko	Member
Nick Amautinar	Member
David Alagalak	Member
Meeka Mike	Member
Harry Flaherty	Member
Jim Noble	Executive Director
Michael d'Eça	NWMB Legal Advisor
Gordon Tomlinson	Director of Finance and Administration

Not Available:

Moses Koonoo	Member
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1. Opening by Chairperson

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

2. Review/Approval of Agenda

The Board approved (**Resolution 2002-092**) the agenda for the Conference Call as presented.

3. Review/Approval of Interim Activity Report/Variance Report October 31/02 Including Budget Reallocation

Gordon Tomlinson reviewed the NWMB Variance Report for the seven months ending October 31, 2002. Gordon noted that the total budget is \$4,691,279 which comes from the NWMB Workplan for the period 01 April 2002 to 31 March 2003. As of October 31, 2002 the NWMB projects a total variance of \$21,178 or 5% of the total budget. A component of the variance report was a budget reallocation.

Kevin McCormick questioned the need for additional development of the NWMB Website. Gordon Tomlinson noted the deficiencies in the existing site and the need for additional budget. Jim Noble gave several examples of how the site is a very effective way to publish information accessible to the public.

The Board was advised that an Interim Activity Report had been completed and submitted to DIAND, this report will be available at the next Board meeting in December.

The Board approved (**Resolution 2002-093**) the October 31, 2002 Variance Report including budget reallocations as presented.

4. Implementation Contract Negotiation Plan: Review

Michael d'Eça reviewed his "draft" NWMB Response to Canada's Proposed 2003-2013 NWMB Budget. Michael presented nine recommended responses to the DIAND proposal on various issues, and further recommended the following five areas for increased funding: Wildlife Harvest Survey, Meetings (Travel), Staffing, Capital Acquisitions and Wildlife Studies. The Board decided (**Resolution 2002-094**) that the NWMB should request Harvest Study Funding in the amount of 5 million dollars rather than the five items.

5. Review /Approval of Translator Contract/Bonus

Gordon Tomlinson reviewed the briefing note on the translator's contract and bonus. Harry Flaherty suggested that this contract should be an invitational call for proposals for a two-year period, to be reviewed annually. The Board decided (**Resolution 2002-095**) to advertise for the position of Interpreter/Translator for the NWMB via a request for proposals.

6. Review of Current NWMB Office Lease

Jim Noble advised the Board that the Amarak HTA is planning to construct a new office complex and would like the NWMB to lease a large portion of the new building. The NWMB is currently without a lease in its current location in the Parnaivik Building and this causes some concern. The Board requested the NWMB staff get a quotation from Amarak HTA so there are figures to compare to the current location.

7. Location of Next NWMB Meeting

Discussion were held with regards to revising the location for the next NWMB meeting to be conducted the week of December 9, 2002

