



Lesser Slave Lake
Economic Alliance

**Lesser Slave Lake Economic Alliance (LSLEA)
Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2014
Eagle Point Golf Course
Wabasca, AB**

Present:

Barry Sharkawi – High Prairie & Area Chamber of Commerce
Everett Gottfried - Municipal District of Opportunity
Brenda Lemay - Municipal District of Opportunity
Darren Fulmore - Municipal District of Lesser Slave River
Diane Smith – Town of Slave Lake
Valerie Tradewell - Northern Lakes College
Kim Dyke – EDO, Tri-Council, Slave Lake
Jo-Ellen Lyslo – High Prairie School Division
Inka Foster – High Prairie School Division
Darcy Dupas – CAO, East Prairie Metis Settlement
Linda Cox- Administration, LSLEA

Absent

Shari Spencer - Rural Alberta Business Centre
Lesser Slave Lake Regional Tourism
Chris Lamouche - Gift Lake Metis Settlement
Laurie Renauer - Slave Lake & District Chamber of Commerce
Debbie Rose - Town of High Prairie
Layne Gauchier- Peavine Metis Settlement

Guests:

Mark Vandenberghe – Alberta Innovation & Advance Education
George Brosseau - Alberta Innovation & Advance Education

1. Meeting called to order at 12:30 pm:

2. Agenda:

Chair Sharkawi asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

**22- 2014/15 Motion to adopt the Agenda as amended. Moved by Darren Fulmore
CARRIED**

3. Minutes:

**23- 2014/15 Motion to adopt the Minutes from the April 17, 2014 meeting and
accept for information notes from May 15, 2014 meeting. Moved by Darren
Fulmore**

CARRIED

4. High Prairie School Division Video Vignettes

Inka Foster recapped project request highlighting HPSD's dual credit program and NLC college programs. The project cost would be up to \$7000.00. Videos would be available on the LSLEA, HPSD and NLC websites. Possibility of further financial partnering and support from NLC.

24- 2014/15 Motion to allocate \$7000.00 to HPSD for creation of video vignettes of students and instructors of HPSD and NLC showcasing industry opportunities and participation. LSLEA support will be recognized in video credits. Moved by Everett Gottfried. (Project 67872)

CARRIED

5. Next Place Video Update with updated interviews

Updating the Next Place video using a montage of existing and new video footage as well as creating 5-7 three-five minute video vignettes of entrepreneurs in the LSLEA region is estimated at \$25,000.

25- 2014/15 Motion to postpone Next Place Video update until a future meeting where more details of what the video update would entail are available. A Request for Proposal should be sent out. Moved by Darcy Dupas.

CARRIED

6. Briefing Notes

Short discussion on updating Briefing Notes as a project.

7. Skilled Labour training Facility

Brenda Lemay will organize another tour of the Pipe Trades College in Edmonton for interested Board Members. Board Members will be contacted with available dates.

8. East End Marina Project

26- 2014/15 Motion to release funds for East End Marina Project to Tri-Council upon receipt of an invoice. Moved by Darcy Dupas.

CARRIED

9. RAP Trading

Updating of LSLEA website will begin in mid August.

10. RABC Workshops

27- 2014/15 Motion to postpone discussion on RABC Workshops until further information is available. Moved by Darcy Dupas.

CARRIED

11. GeoTourism Canada

A request has been received for release of funds. An invoice with supporting documentation is required.

12. Letter of Support for Shadow Population Count Changes

28- 2014/15 Motion to support this initiative by sending a letter to all members, to be signed by Chair, requesting a letter, as drafted, be forwarded to Minister of Municipal Affairs, Hon. Greg Weadick regarding revisions to the current regulations regarding shadow population counting to allow greater flexibility and to better reflect the realities of a community's experience. Moved by Brenda Lemay.

CARRIED

13. Letter of Support on Moratorium of Temporary Foreign Workers Program

29- 2014/15 Motion to contact PREDA and obtain an updated version of the letter of support for signature by the Chair, regarding the severe impact the moratorium on the temporary foreign workers program is causing employers in northwestern Alberta. Moved by Diane Smith.

CARRIED

14. Financial Reports

Approval of Financial Statements postponed until next meeting. Requested that a representative of Angel Business Services be invited.

Next Meeting:

Date: Thursday, July 17, 2014

Time: 10:30 AM

Location:

High Prairie, AB

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Chair Barry Sharkawi