

British Columbia Geocaching Association

Meeting of the Board of Directors
August 22nd, 2016 - 8pm - by Skype call

Present: Ian Hewitt, Madelene Friesen, Terri Hadwin, Brian Lang, Michelle Hewitt, Kathleen Brophy joined the call at 8:30pm

1. Call to Order - 8:05
2. Minutes of the previous meeting - Terri proposed - vote unanimous
3. Reports
 - a. President
The immediate responses to the newsletter were positive.

We have begun to receive volunteers for BC Parks events

The momentum this summer of all our events has been great - now we have to maintain it!

b. Treasurer

Starting Balance	8064.12
Income	1216.73
Expenditure	3491.96
Closing Balance	5788.89

Comment from Mad: We have a lot of expenses going out at the moment, related to the Lillooet event, but it may be some time before we get the resources coming in.

There was a discussion on the AGM which cost us just over \$200, and suggestions were made on ways to reduce food costs by paying careful attention to registering people.

Mad updated us on coin sales, which are going well. Over 50 coins have been sold since April.

Mad suggested that the newsletter could include a section for new cachers in the future.

4. Business Arising
 - a. Feedback from International Day of Geocaching events

Kathleen said that she went to 2 events and there were a fair number of attendees at both. People were positive about the events, and that the BCGA had put on events so they could get the souvenir for the day.

There was a discussion on ways for the Regional Reps to continue to be involved. It was agreed that events on days when there are souvenirs are a great way for them to continue to work in a unified way.

b. Lillooet - the final countdown!

Terri gave an update on the final preparations for Lillooet. The camping is roughly 50% full and there are 86 pre-registrations. It is shaping to be a great event.

c. BC Parks events

Ian gave an update on the Rath Trevor event, and the general comment was made that it is difficult to get responses from BC Parks. There was a discussion on how to coordinate resources between Ian, Terri and Kathleen.

d. 2017 campout

Michelle said that the Cultus Lake booking had been made, but can still be cancelled for a minimal cost, based on interest. It was agreed to put out a registration system in February. The booking has two parts to it, so one could be cancelled if needs be.

5. New Business

a. Priorities for the year ahead

Ian talked about the need for the board to have some priorities to work on for the winter months. It was agreed that that the social media side of our operations should be a focus, along with looking for further grant opportunities.

b. Canada Day July 2017 - 150th anniversary

There was a discussion on whether there was a response from the BCGA to this celebration, and while there were reservations about a coin, some enquiries will be made as to costs.

6. Adjournment - 9:10pm