



*Peace River Aboriginal Interagency Committee Meeting*  
*Sagitawa Friendship Centre*  
*June 21, 2016*  
*Minutes*



**Attendance:**

Brent Taylor	Purple Rung Foundation
Channing Stenhouse	Sagitawa Friendship Centre
Cheryl Anderson	County of Northern Lights
Dave Matilpi	Peace River Outreach Campus
Dennis Whitford	2Thunder Consulting
Hanna Buruma	Good Shepherd School
Holly Crumpton	PRSD #10
Jayne Ives	WJS
Joanna Gladue	Duncan First Nation
Larry Stewart	Alberta Culture & Tourism
Laura Kiepal	Peace River Women's Shelter
Laura Love	Peace River Museum & Archives
Merle White	Sagitawa Friendship Centre
Nathan Mine-Goldring	Peace River Municipal Library
Shannon Yuill	Stepping Up
Tanys Oxman	Glenmary School
Terry Hogan	Good Shepherd School
Wendy Goulet	Aboriginal Services, NWCFS

**1.0 Call to Order/Opening Prayer**

- Tobacco presented to Dennis Whitford for prayer
- Call to order at 10:11 am by Co-Chair Cheryl Anderson
- Round Table of Introductions –Name and organization representing.

**2.0 Agenda**

- 2.1** Motion to approve Agenda with additions, moved by Shannon Yuill. Carried.

**3.0 Minutes**

- Motion to approve Minutes from June 21, 2016 with corrections, moved by Dennis Whitford. Carried.

**4.0 Review of Action items.**

- 4.1** No action items.

**5.0 Review Correspondence**

- 5.1** June 22, 2016 Sucker Creek Pow Wow 2016 \$300 Donation
- 5.2** June 22, 2016 Elite Vac & Steam Invoice (PD \$3580.50)
- 5.3** June 23, 2016 Invoices for rental of AG Grounds/DD (Sag paid)
- 5.3** July 7, 2016 Letter from MD of Peace #135 regarding no donations
- 5.4** July 7, 2016 Clearstream \$250 donation
- 5.5** September 14, 2016 Check from Region 6 for SIS Bench \$1000
- 5.6** September 12, 2016 Check from Dennis & Jean Whitford for \$300 donation to Peace River Pow Wow 2017



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**6.0 Standing Committee Updates**

- **Financial Update**
  - ATB PRAIC ACCOUNT Balance \$34 587.83  
Moved by Dennis Whitford to accept the balance. Carried.
- **Sister in Spirit**
- Vigil October 4, 2016. We gather at 4:30 pm and leave the Peace River Museum at 5:00pm and end walk in Riverfront Park.
- Keynote Speaker Brenda Brochu, President of Alberta Women's Council of Women Shelters
- Peace River Sagitawa & Peace River Museum partnered to Exhibit "Silent Dreams" this will be a crowd sourced display. Anyone is invited to make a dream catcher to hang in memory of Missing and Murdered. You will receive it back at end of exhibit January 30.
- The bench has been purchased and Memorial Rock will be moved

**Peace River Soup Kitchen**

- October 14 volunteers for the soup kitchen will be Peace River High School.

**6.4 Education Committee**

- Meeting date September 20 ,2016 at 1:00pm
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**6.5 HUB – Hope Unity and Belonging for all.**

- Tabled

**6.6 Peace River Annual Art Show**

- Show will close June 30, 2016  
Moved by Cheryl Anderson to continue hosting the Peace River Annual Aboriginal Art Show at the DMI Gallery at the Peace River Library. Carried.

**6.7 Peace River Pow Wow**

- **Roundtable**
- *Dennis Whitford*, Exceptional year. Great attendance. Wendy took on a lot of the responsibility of the Pow Wow. We need the committee to assist more. Fundraising should start soon for 2017. I suggest split categories for Adults. 18-39, 40-55.  
*Michelle Grant*, Weather, venue were amazing. Good energy, committee did good recruiting volunteers, mandate set-up, leads, work plans. Not enough garbage cans. Recycle bins need more visibility. Elder's love the transportation provided by volunteers on grounds, Harry Laboucan was an outstanding volunteer. First Aid was provided by APL & Ski Patrol very good to have on site.  
*Kieryn Houlder*, heard it was very good.  
*Laura Gloor*, one the historical pictures got identified by Chief Joe Pastion, Dene'Tha First Nation. During the school tours when I would ask which students were going to the Pow Wow all hands would go up.



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*Elaine Manzer* heard it went very well.

*Holly Crumpton*, Relieved after the Eagle Feather Ceremony for graduates. Holly took 2 pages of notes for next year. The event did not have enough time to smudge. 75 graduates registered and 43 showed up.

*Larry Stewart*, Hertz donated lights and generator. Metson donated garbage bin. Willy's Trucking donated transportation of stage, chairs and tables. We need to remind campers, people to clean up after themselves on site.

*Victoria Champion*, Perfect weekend, HIV table was close to Elders so able to connect. Peace River Pow Wow was mentioned at a conference in Montreal.

*Shannon Yuill*, level of care Elders was very receiving.

*Marcia Seymore*, very good feedback, thank you Northern Sunrise County FCSS, Peace River FCSS, Native Cultural Arts Museum for assistance in volunteering to have activities for youth.

*Stefania Moccia* would like to volunteer for 2017 on the organizing committee. It was a very good event.

*Cheryl Anderson*, heard good things about the Peace River Pow Wow.

*Channing Stenhouse*, First Pow Wow was amazing, lots of interaction with people at the HIV booth, lots of questions asked and answered.

*Jennifer Wright*, Good event.

*Wendy Goulet*, the pow wow came together very nicely, good energy. The uncertainty of funding was very stressful. We got to honor two outstanding volunteers for Peace River Pow Wow at the event. Dianne Lavoie has indirectly been involved with every Aboriginal Gathering & Pow Wow. This was her first one away. Photographer Rob Wiebe has taken pictures of Peace River Pow Wow since it started and always lets us use for promotions as a donation.

We honored both with Pendleton Blankets. We hired a drum group to help clean up grounds after event. As we had only a handful of people show up to help clean up. This year with drum group's assistance we had entire grounds cleaned up, tipi poles back, and hand wash stations returned by end of day Monday. In the past it has taking almost 1-2 weeks for the limited amount of volunteers to get all cleaned up and stuff returned. We need to purchase safety vests for security and volunteers for 2017. We had to borrow of the Peace River Ag Society. Discussion prior Pow Wow 2017 will need to be had on condoms being handed out or who they are being giving to as the clean-up crew picked up many played with condoms on grounds in playground area.

#### **6.8 Volunteers for Committee for Peace River Pow Wow 2017**

- Dennis Whitford, Wendy Goulet, Alana Robinson, Larry Stewart, Holly Crumpton, Jennifer Wright, Stefania Moccia

#### **6.9 Alberta Health Services Complaint of volunteer**



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- One of our volunteers Harry Laboucan was taken to the hospital for heat exhaustion on the recommendation of the medics on site. At the hospital when the medic was registering him as soon as the receptionist saw his name she commented "I thought that was a dry Pow Wow?"  
Harry Laboucan also never got seen by a nurse in Emergency although he was registered. He finally just left the hospital.
- Wendy called the AHS complaint line and they contacted Harry Laboucan and the medic directly to find out what happened and resolve the situation.

### **6.10 Calendars 2017**

- These need to arrive prior to November.
- Any agencies that would like to purchase advertisement please let Wendy Goulet. They start at \$100-\$600.
- 38 sponsors in total for Pow Wow. 12 were gold/silver sponsors that would have a logo in the calendar for sponsoring the 2016 Pow Wow.

### **7.0 Witness Blanket**

- Peace River Museum & Sagitawa have brought the Witness Blanket to Peace River from July 1 to September 7, 2016. Open from 10:00 am-5:00pm each day. It is free to visit the Peace River Museum during this time.
- Please support this amazing event and get out to the display.
- <http://witnessblanket.ca/>

### **7.1 Scotiabank Aids Walk Peace River**

- Saturday September 10, 2016
- Riverfront Park, 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 10:30 am Registration, 11:30 am Walk begins
- 5:30-7:00 Entertainment & Barbeque
- For more information about this Walk, please contact:
- Victoria Champion E-mail: [regionoutreach@hivnorth.org](mailto:regionoutreach@hivnorth.org)
- Phone: 780.624.2443 Fax: 780.624.2728 Web: [www.hivnorth.org](http://www.hivnorth.org)

### **8 Sharing Circle – Not Recorded**

### **9. Adjournment**

**Next meeting date**

**September 20, 2016 at 9:30 am at Sagitawa.**