Present: Hannah Nicholls, Gary Johnsen, Anne Mack, Geoff Lyons, Tammy Dorward, Alan McCarthy, Cathy Thicke and German Ocampo

Advisors: Arlene Armstrong

Staff: Brooke Wood, Katherine Carey and Rebecca Hurwitz (on medical leave)

The meeting commenced at 3:05pm.

1. Agenda

Moved by Hannah Nicholls, seconded by Tammy Dorward to approve the agenda. Approved by consensus.

2. Minutes from the April 24, 2015 Board of Directors meeting.

Moved by Gary Johnsen, seconded by Alan McCarthy to approve the April 24, 2015 meeting minutes. Approved by consensus.

3. Director Updates

Each director and advisor provided a 2-3 minute update on items that related to the CBT.

Arlene Armstrong gave an update on roadwork and Greenpoint campground. She noted that Jim Morgan will be retiring in the fall. Pacific Rim National Park Reserve will have a new superintendent. Arlene also gave an update on the airport noting that trees have to be removed from the area surrounding the runway attending to legal safety requirements.

Hannah Nicholls shared that she was preparing for summer season and that she is organizing trivia nights incorporating CBT and UNESCO trivia questions in a fun way.
Geoff Lyons said that the Ucluelet Aquarium is doing well with equally as many visitors as last year. Geoff shared that he is volunteering with the Multiplex Society. The Multiplex will be run by the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District, but funded by the Multiplex Society. Geoff will provide a further update in the next few months.

Cathy Thicke noted that work continues on the Tonquin Trail. Cathy spoke briefly about a regional project focused on educational tourism and higher education opportunities. The District of Ucluelet also received the report and she is anticipating more work to come.

Tammy Dorward commented that there was a Community Conservation Research Network on Monday night at Tin-Wis. Tammy noted that she had concerns about regional coordination and Tla-o-qui-aht participation. She also gave her congratulations to Alan McCarthy on his reelection to the Yuułuʔičiy̓ath legislature.

Alan McCarthy shared that the Yuułuʔičiy̓ath Government has completed the traditional camp site in Effingham Inlet. Alan was looking forward to visiting the camp soon. The camp is intended to strengthen Yuułuʔičiy̓ath citizens in who they are and is a place to share traditional teachings.

Anne Mack shared that Toquaht is continuing to lay foundations for a growing community in order to bring their people home.

4. **Election of the Officers**

Arlene Armstrong announced the process for the election of the Executive Committee. Arlene called for nominations and/or expressions of willingness from the Board.

Tammy Dorward put her name forward for co-chair.

Cathy Thicke put her name forward for co-chair.

Alan McCarthy was nominated by Gary Johnsen for secretary. Alan accepted the nomination.

Gary Johnsen was nominated by Geoff Lyons for treasurer. Gary accepted the nomination.

Moved by Anne Mack, seconded by Hannah Nicholls to appoint the Executive positions as: Co-Chair -- Tammy Dorward, Co-Chair -- Cathy Thicke, Treasurer -- Gary Johnsen, and Secretary -- Alan McCarthy. Approved by consensus.
4. Reports
   a) Managing Director

Brooke presented the Managing Director report. Brooke reported that Faye is attending a meeting on the Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network planning group was unable to join this meeting. Faye has started an Eat West Coast garden on the deck of the CBT office. The CBT tax return (T3010) was completed, signed and will be submitted shortly.

Tammy posed a question to Brooke about the cultural awareness initiative to be led by Barney Williams. Brooke reported that this was underway.

Tammy had a question about whether the summer student position was funded by a government grant and Rebecca Hurwitz replied that it was mostly funded by Canada Summer Jobs, but that the CBT topped up the grant to offer a higher wage.

b) Executive Committee

Cathy Thicke referred to the minutes included in the meeting package and added that she is hopeful that Alan will be to be able to continue his role on the CBT board.

c) Treasurer/Investment Committee

Gary Johnsen reported that the Canada Fund is currently valued at $16.8M.

d) Correspondence
   i.) German Ocampo application for Youth at Large Alternate Director Position.

Moved by Hannah Nicholls, seconded by Alan McCarthy to appoint German Ocampo as the Youth at Large Alternate Director. Approved by consensus.

Moved by Tammy Dorward, seconded by Geoff Lyons to approve the reports as presented. Approved by consensus.

5. Biosphere Centre update

Arlene Armstrong presented a powerpoint summary of the Innoweave webinar that Arlene participated in along with Rebecca Henn and Laura Loucks. She noted that there are other biosphere reserves in Canada investigating the concept of building a "biosphere centre." The Innoweave funding fits well with these types of projects and for a broad range of other opportunities. The CBT could observe and learn from these projects.
Cathy asked what the next steps were.

Arlene said the next step was a one-day workshop. Laura is the main contact for Innoweave. Arlene also suggested interested people could do the worksheets from the webinar in order to learn these skills.

Brooke will send Laura's notes on the webinar and Arlene's presentation to the board.


Cathy and Tammy presented a summary and shared photos from their trip to Estonia to attend EuroMAB.

7. Neighborhood Small Grants

Brooke attended a one-day workshop hosted by the Vancouver Foundation on the Neighbourhood Small Grants (NSG) program. The CBT's inaugural program will begin at the same time as the Victoria Foundation launches their program. She reported that grants would each be worth $50 - $500 to a total of $2000. This year, the Vancouver Foundation has provided the CBT with matching funding. The CBT is working on identifying a community partner, possibly the WCCRS, and that the CBT is aiming for a fall 2015 launch date.

Cathy asked what qualifies as a "neighbourhood."

Brooke clarified that the funds can go to an individual or a group of individuals via the community partner organization, so are intended to be at a smaller scale than our typical grants. The Vancouver Foundation has neighbourhood houses that can administer the grants, but our program will work differently because we do not have that. She added that the Vancouver Foundation found that these grants have more community impact per dollar than larger grants.

German had to leave at 3:50pm. He shared his appreciation for the opportunity to be a part of the board.

8. Sydney Inlet Cabin Remote Listening Station update

Laura has arranged for the annual danger tree assessment. She has ordered equipment (a reonyx audio camera and a song metre) and has a three stage implementation strategy:
1) Installing the equipment to develop a baseline reference for wildlife sounds at the Sydney Inlet cabin;
2) Developing a schedule for recording data based on annual seasonal migrations and wildlife transition times; and
3) After evaluating the data, installing the next phase of equipment for a live feed of audio and visual recordings on the CBT website.

The team working on this project includes Julian Ling, Dr. Jim Darling, and Adrian Dorst.

9. Logo presentation and discussion

The Logo presentation will be postponed. The executive committee will meet to discuss the new logo.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. Questions from the Public

There were no questions from the public.

12. Motion to adjourn meeting

Geoff moved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm

I hereby certify that these minutes are correct.

Cathy Thicke, co-chair

Alan McCarthy, secretary