

Vancouver Community Network

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2003

Board Members Present: Sharlene Smith, James Sayre, Patrick Clark, Jonn Olldym, Patrick Canny,

Staff Present: Peter Royce, Steven Chan

Regrets: Paul Tubbe, Craig McLachlin, Ruth Tsukishima, Amali de Silva

1. Adoption of Agenda. M/S/C.

2. Financial Report

a) Statements (Peter Royce)

Peter respnded to questions on the Financial Statements for the first month of VCN's new fiscal year. A small loss was recorded – Peter will provide further information to explain why this occurred, a more indepth explantion of the deferred contributions and the updated budget.

b) Audit

The annual audit will proceed in 2 weeks in order to supply audited financial staements for the Annual General Meeting on November 27.

3. Technical Projects (Steven Chan)

Steven used VCN's new wireless projector and one of its laptops to provide a special presentation on the current technical status and issues at VCN. A general description of the current technical strategy was presented.

In relation to the report a motion was put to the Board to unrestrict the previously restriced funds to purchase equipment to improve the reliability, sustainability and service of VCN's dial-up users.

M/S/C that the restricted capital fund be unrestricted

The Board has requested a competitive analysis of the costs and benefits of the currently used Max phone line concentrator system versus investment in a new system.

4. Program Summary (Peter Royce)

Document sent prior to meeting "Co-ordinators Report". Peter clarified details and answered question.

Revised TechNet Proposal

Further information on implementation of the TechNet Services was presented to the Board and questions were answered. Staff were directed to proceed with caution and slowly. Without a "launch" and to keep the Board informed. There should be no mass mailouts without prior approval.

First Nations Education Steering Committee: Support Line/Helpdesk project

M/S/C that the Board supports Vancouver Community Network pursuing a contract to deliver a BC First Nations Help Desk

5. Annual General Meeting

a) Finalize date

The AGM will be held on November 27th 2003 in the Peter Kaye Rom at Vancouver Public Library starting at 7 pm. with doors opening at 6:30pm

b) Topic selection

After some discussion, it was decided that a small panel would be organized to showcase the ways in which VCN's services are being used by participating groups.

6. Other business

none

7. Adjourn

M/s/c to adjourn the meeting