

**MIGHTY PEACE WATERSHED ALLIANCE (MPWA)****MINUTES OF THE RE-ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING**Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Dunvegan Inn &amp; Suites, Fairview, AB

	Name	Sector
<b>Attendees</b>	Abdi Siad-Omar	Federal Transboundary Relations
	Cathy Newhook	Watershed Stewardship
	Rick Keillor	Public Member at Large, MPWA Chairman
	Chris Thiessen	Large Urban Municipalities
	Justin Hetu	Forestry
	Vern Lymburner	Small Urban Municipalities
	Jill Henry	Agriculture
	Brian Lieverse	Recreation/Tourism/Fisheries
	Sandra Miller	Oil and Gas
<b>Absent</b>	Elaine Garrow	Rural Municipalities
	Ashley Rowney	Utilities
	Jim Webb	Lower Watershed First Nations
	Dave Walty	Public Member at Large
<b>Staff</b>	Rhonda Clarke - Gauthier	Executive Director
	Adam Norris	Watershed Coordinator

**1. ADMINISTRATION****1.1. Welcome and Introductions**

The Chair R. Keillor called meeting to order at 4:25 PM

Introduction of the Board of Director Members.

All Director's are asked to ensure the office has their appropriate contact information including email. NOTE: Most communications will be by email. We ask that Directors provide timely responses.

**1.2. Election of Executive**

The 4 Executive Committee positions (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary) are up for election at this time. The 5<sup>th</sup> seat is for the Past Chair. These positions are for 2 years, so term is 2022-2024. Positions are to be filled by Directors and not alternates.

Chair opened the election:

**Nominations for the position of Chair:**

C. Newhook/B. Lieverse nominated Rick Keillor, he accepted the nomination.

V. Lymburner/S. Miller nominated Chris Thiessen, he accepted the nomination. Nominations called 3 times. No further nominations were received. There was a secret ballot vote.

**Chris Thiessen is the Chair.**

**Nominations for the position of Vice-Chair:**

S. Miller/C. Newhook nominated Dave Walty, he accepted the nomination. Nominations were called 3 times. No further nominations were received.

**Dave Walty is the Vice-Chair by acclamation.**

**Nominations for the position of Treasurer:**

B. Lieverse/S. Miller nominated Vern Lymburner, he accepted the nomination. Nominations were called 3 times. No further nominations were received.

**Vern Lymburner is the Treasurer by acclamation.**

**Nominations for the position of Secretary:**

A. Siad-Omar/C. Thiessen nominated Sandra Miller, she accepted the nomination. Nominations were called 3 times. No further nominations were received.

**Sandra Miller is the Secretary by acclamation.**

**NOTE: The Executive Committee will be:** Chair- Chris Thiessen, Past Chair – Rick Keillor, Vice-Chair – Dave Walty, Secretary – Sandra Miller, and Treasurer – Vern Lymburner.

**R. Keillor will chair this meeting to it's completion.**

**1.3. Designation of Signing Authorities**

**Motion: B. Lieverse moved, seconded by C. Newhook that any 2 of the following 5 are to have signing authority on behalf of the MPWA: Chris Thiessen (Chair), Rick Keillor (Past Chair), Vern Lymburner (Treasurer), Dave Walty (Vice-Chair) and Rhonda Clarke-Gauthier (Executive Director).**

**APPROVED BY CONSENSUS**

**Motion: S. Miller/J. Hetu moved to remove Bob Cameron as a signing authority.**

**APPROVED BY CONSENSUS**

**1.4. Option to name an alternate:**

All Directors have the right to name an Alternate Director. R. Clarke-Gauthier asked the Board members to think of someone they would like to ask to be their alternate for the board. This person should have knowledge of the sector area and an interest in Watershed work. It is a good idea to consider someone from a different location in the watershed and/or a different perspective of the sector. This person is expected to attend at least one meeting in the year. Alternates may attend when Director attends but the Director and Alternate must then speak as one voice on decisions.

**Motion: To accept the named alternate of Danny Roy (Rural Municipalities). Moved by A. Siad-Omar, seconded by C. Thiessen.**

**APPROVED BY CONSENSUS**

Other Directors wishing to name an alternate are asked to submit an email to Rhonda with the person's full name, address, email, and phone numbers. They will be dealt with at the next board meeting.

**1.5. Director Attendance at Meetings**

Please note there is an expectation that there will be consistent attendance of directors at Board meetings. R. Clarke-Gauthier will send out an email with organization information including the roles and responsibilities to all Directors. Directors are asked to ensure that they confirm attendance or send regrets for meetings. Meetings are set using doodle poll.

Voyageur Canada will be boating from BC Border to Peace River and asked if MPWA could help out.

Next meeting will be planned for August.

**2. ADJOURNMENT**

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R. Keillor thanked all for attending and adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_



**MPWA CHAIRMAN:** \_\_\_\_\_

