

# Peacemakers Meeting – Summary Notes

April 9, 2013

Sumas Board Room



## Participant List

Dave Moore, ED Fraser River Salmon Table  
Dave Barrette, Chair/Facilitator  
Rod Clapton, President of BC Federation of Driftfishers  
Robert Reyherse, Fraser Valley Angling Guides Association  
Leigh McCracken, BC Federation of Driftfishers  
RCMP Scott Malony  
Don Simpson, Lower Fraser Fisheries Alliance  
Saramae Tran, Christopher Vang Memorial Fund (CVMF)  
Curtis Ketter, Outdoor Edge BCWF  
Ed George, BC Wildlife Federation  
Wayne Saito, Monitoring and Compliance Panel

### **1. Review summary notes from February**

### **2. Status of TOR: Ratified by BCWF**

- BCFDF
- Fraser Valley Angling Guides Association
- Under review by RCMP (acknowledged Receipt)
- Sent forward to Sto:lo Nation and Tribal Council
- Under review by new Sts'ailes Council

## **Discussion**

- FYI – Curtis writing and article on Peacemakers
- If some group signs off on TOR do they all get quoted on list?
- Group agreed with value in a supporting list of these for membership list
- Timely review of applicants for endorsement important
- Interim steps – willingness, sponsor and endorsement

**Action:** Dave to update pamphlets and draft additional TOR regarding new members

### **3. Renewal of Conflict Resolution Committee**

- Odd numbers odd-year # are 1 year appointment, and even year numbers are 2 year appointments
- Check with each:
  - Ernie – to confirm
  - Tony – able to stand
  - Ed - able to stand

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- Ken – do not know
- Rod – able to stand
- Kelsey – able to stand with James Leon as alternate

### Action:

- i) Ed will confirm with Ernie and Ken
- ii) Dave to update the TOR
- iii) Dave will check with C&P as ex-officio
- iv) RCMP confirmed as ex-officio
- v) Rod will check with Julia Bernarduchi, MOE
- vi) M&C will participate on a casual basis and on projects as appropriate

### 4. Updates on Peacemakers business case

- A business case was developed for Peacemakers
- Ongoing problems with slowness of PICFI administration – an apparent commitment at senior levels for that to improve in 2013 FRST will resubmit Peacemakers proposal
- BCWF and the groups around the table put forward proposals in the past for a joint monitoring program
- Reflected on the Chilliwack sockeye approach to resolve issue between First Nation and sport fishing interest (a good example)
- Noted presentation by Rod and Ernie to SFAB main Board (successful)

### Action

- i) Dave B. Will arrange for a meeting with LF DFO office
- ii) Rod and Ed take TOR to the SFAB Main Board for endorsement

### 5. Proposed elements of the 2013/14 work plan:

- i) Outreach to groups on the Fraser and around BC
  - Utilize above process to target areas and themes for locally-hosted Peacemakers meetings
  - Proposed joint monitoring project on lower Fraser River in 2013
  - Rod has led development of the presentation and materials ready for road show
  - Consider putting on website
  - Consider booth at Tradex/spring outdoor show
- ii) Work plan around developing process of approach for new and emerging fisheries
  - consider how to ensure we do not get ahead of formal planning processes and the need to coordinate this with DFO (so as not to interfere)

**Action:** Dave B to meet with Area Director of LF to discuss a meeting with the Peacemakers group to discuss this whole work plan but in particular to identify priorities and any issues of LF DFO office around work plan

- iii) Noted that FVRD is unable to support the events coordinator for the Fraser River Festival and if this is planned it should be part of the budget

**Action:** Dave will connect Sara with Megan, and to Rod to talk with Fraser Basin Council to find some financial support, and Dave B. will explore with PSF funding and follow-up with Ken Popov FVRD and Dave M. Forward recommendations from last year's event.

iv) **PFD use on the river**

- Linked to Fraser River Festival but can continue in absence of festival
- Priority is to educate and expose fishers from both sport and aboriginal fishery to PFD;s that they can use/like
- Noted the questionnaire
- Include ongoing survey as part of awareness and data gathering program with both fisheries
- If this group wants Mustang involved – there is a need to get ahead of the business planning cycle
- Give out the PFD's (need to approach various suppliers and our own groups to purchase or donate
- August 17 Saturday tentatively set
- Christopher Vang Fdn to have some double billing on the Festival name and would play lead on an ongoing basis to PFD challenge

**Action:**

- i) Dave to revisit color Peacemaker Logo and add QR code for putting on PFD's
- ii) Redo questionnaire e(pretty it up for distribution with address to send or website)
- iii) Dave will send new color version of questionnaire to Chris Vang fdn for posting
- iv) Plan the Festival anyway- question is order of magnitude...minimalist approach to give out PFD's with Peacemakers logo (QR code) on it and bbq some salmon

**Vi) Conflict resolution**

- A journey not a destination
- Stick with in 2013 – consider forum to discuss new fisheries in LF
- Reiterate that success not measured by solving any conflict problem

Meeting Adjourned at 5:05 PM