

ALBERTA NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRES ASSOCIATION

ALBERTA ABORIGINAL YOUTH COUNCIL

Friday, September 25, 2009
Crazy Horse Youth Centre (upstairs)
Sik-ooh-kotoki Friendship Society
The Medicine Tree Centre
1709 – 2nd Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta

MINUTES

PARTICIPANTS:

Johnny Thunder	Chair, Athabasca Native Friendship Centre Society
Delaine Lambert	Co-Chair, Grande Prairie Friendship Centre,
Eric Findlay	Secretary/ Treasurer, Edson Friendship Centre
Jamie Lington	National Board Youth Rep & RPRC committee member
Brad Williams	Canadian Native Friendship Centre (Youth Board Rep)
Amy Delver	Cold Lake Native Friendship Centre Society
Dale Beck	Edson Friendship Centre (Youth Council Rep)
Dana Beck	Edson Friendship Centre (Youth Council Rep)
Shelby Findley	Edson Friendship Centre (Youth Council Rep)
Karylnn Willier	High Prairie Native Friendship Centre Society (Youth Coordinator)
April Willier	High Prairie Native Friendship Centre Society (Youth Council President)
Kaitlin Callihoo	Hinton Friendship Centre (Youth Council Rep)
Cheyenne Swan	Lac La Biche Canadian Friendship Centre Association (Youth Council President)
Geraldine Reid	Lac La Biche Canadian Friendship Centre Association (Youth Coordinator)
Alyssa Dallaire	Mannawanis Native Friendship Centre Society (Youth Council President)
Samantha VanDerVoort	Mannawanis Native Friendship Society Centre (Youth Coordinator)
Krista Crow Shoe	Napi Friendship Association (Youth Council President)
Owen Crowshoe	Napi Friendship Association (Youth Council Rep)
Adrienne Crowshoe	Napi Friendship Association, (Youth Council Vice-President)
Carlos Crowshoe	Napi Friendship Association, (Youth Council Rep)
John Smith	Napi Friendship Association, (Youth Council Rep)

Earlene Healy	Napi Friendship Association, (Youth Coordinator)
Charles Cote	Nistawoyou Association Friendship Centre (Youth Coordinator)
Amy Addison Danya Auger	Red Deer Native Friendship Society Sagitawa Friendship Centre Society (Youth Coordinator)
Courtney Anderson,	Sagitawa Friendship Centre Society (Youth Council Rep)
Chelsea Strong	Sagitawa Friendship Centre Society (Youth Council Rep)
Randy Weaselfat Kirsten Bigbull	Sik-oo-kotoki Friendship Society Sik-oo-kotoki Friendship Society (Youth Council Rep)
Rusty Melting Tallow	Sik-oo-kotoki Friendship Society, (Youth Council Rep)

Guest:

Chris Coutrie, 2009 ANFCA YEG Summer Coordinator

Regrets:

Bonnyville Canadian Native Friendship Centre
 Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary
 High Level Native Friendship Centre Society
 Lloydminster Native Friendship Centre
 Rocky Native Friendship Centre Society
 Slave Lake Native Friendship Centre

Technician: Jeri Melting Tallow-Healy, Youth Programs Manager, ANFCA

1. Opening Prayer with Elders & Youth

2. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 9:54 am

3. Review and Adoption of September 2009 Agenda

Recommendation 1: To adopt the September 2009 agenda with the following changes; under section No. 9 include item additions to for discussion.

9a. YMCA Youth Exchange

9b. Call for Youth Delegates

Adopted by consensus

4. Review and Adoption of June 2009 Minutes

Recommendation 2: The following changes to the minutes be corrected:

- Jamie Linington wants it noted that she read highlights from her National Youth Board written report, and to omit "she did not submit a formal written report."

- Dana Beck noted there was a mix up of position title. She wanted it noted that her sister, Dale Beck is on the RPRC committee.
 - Charles Cote noted his name is listed as the High Level Youth Rep, and that it be corrected that it was Byron Dohdona who was in attendance for High Level.
 - Chris Coutrie mentioned his name is not listed under participants in attendance and his name be added.
 - KarylInn Willier asked for correction be made to her community update report. She wanted it mentioned their youth council meet once a month **not** weekly.
- Approved by consensus*

5. AAYC Chair Report – Johnny Thunder (a written report was passed out to all members).

- Johnny read his report to members.
- Agenda item 9b. Call for Youth Delegates was address and Johnny passed out information on other opportunities for AAYC youth to get involved in.
 1. Canadian Aboriginal AIDS Network - 18-29 yrs, to join The Canadian Aboriginal HIV/AIDS Youth Council to create a strategic action plan to prevent HIV/AIDS. Two you volunteered to submit their names: April Willier, High Prairie, and Rusty Melting Tallow, Sik-oo-kotoki.
 2. Other information was shared:
 - Aboriginal Healing Foundation & Legacy of Hope Foundation – 20-25 yrs of age seeking Youth Board Advisors.
 - Youth Mental Health and the Justice System – 16-24 yrs, call for Youth Delegates, 20 youth are sponsored to attend the conference selected by YOUCAN, Oct. 25-27, Winnipeg.
 - Vancouver 2010 Indigenous Youth Gathering – 19 – 29, Jan 30 to Feb 14, 2010,
- Email Communication: Johnny asked Jeri to make an AAYC email Google group.
- Thursday night AAYC Board Skill Development training: Johnny provided a summary on the meeting with Nelson Mayer, ANFCA new Executive Director. Nelson provided AAYC members with an office update on the ANFCA projects and activities. The project updates were:

Common Ground

Bright Horizons

ANFCA is developing new promotional material including an ANFCA Calendar with pictures of the Friendship Centres.

- Nelson had some ideas for the youth that were:
 1. Have a Friendship Centre Princesses and Warrior,
 2. Host a Youth Walk that all the FCs participate in and suggested March of 2010. Jamie shared with the members that the ANFCA office had done a Walk a few years ago.
 3. Nelson also requested for AAYC identify partnerships opportunities, how to promote AAYC, and future Thursday night training they want to receive.

Johnny shared the brainstorming results with the list of ideas recorded on the flipchart. Jamie showed the list of partnership ideas all the members went through each of the ideas and chose which areas they want to concentrate on.

Partnerships:

1. Schools
2. National Aboriginal Organizations (NAOs) and (local/provincial/town/First Nations/MNA/etc.

Promotions:

1. Create a Media Communication strategy how to promote AAYC working with Media.

2. Host a AAYC Youth Common Ground Forum
AAYC Skill Development training (Thursday nights)

1. Developing a Communication Strategic Planning session for the next Thursday Quarterly meeting (December)
2. Public Speaking
3. Election Process/ Roberts Rules
4. Cultural Protocol

Recommendation 3: To accept the AAYC Chair report as presented.

Adopted by consensus

6. National Youth Board Representative's Report – Jamie Linington read from her national board report.

Recommendation 4: To accept the National Youth Board Representative's Report as presented.

Adopted by consensus

7. AAYC Elections

Johnny Thunder read the roles of the AAYC Executive positions and Jamie Linington explained the election process with the assistant from Chris Coutrie.

Motion 1: Be it moved that the floor be opened for nominations for AAYC Chair
Johnny opened floor for nominations.

April Willier nominated Johnny Thunder for Chair

Seconded by: KaryInn Willier

Owen Crowshoe nominated Krista Crowshoe for AAYC Chair

Seconded by: Rusty Melting Tallow

Jamie announced that when there are more than one name submitted the individual who nominated the member can share why they nominated that person or the person who was nominated can speak for themselves and tell why they would like liked to be considered for the position they were nominated for.

Johnny spoke why we would like to run for another term as AAYC Chair. Owen Crowshoe spoke why Krista would make a good candidate for the AAYC Chair. Ballots were passed out for voting.

The Chair called for morning break at 10:40 a.m. and ballots were collected and counted by Chris and Jamie.

11:10 a.m. Meeting called back to order.

Johnny Thunder elected as the AAYC Chair.

Motion: Karlynn moved to destroy the ballots.

Seconded by Alyssa Dallaire

Geraldine witnessed the destroying of ballots.

The floor be opened for nominations for AAYC Co-Chair

Motion: Be it moved that Kaitlin Callihoo nominate Karylnn Willier be nominated for AAYC Co-Chair.

Moved By: April Willier

Seconded by: Amy Addison

Motion: Be it moved that Johnny Thunder nominate Krista Crowshoe for Co-Chair

Seconded by Kaitlin Callihoo

Motion: Be it moved that nominations for AAYC Co-chair cease

Moved by: April Willier

Seconded by: Courtney Auger

Passed by motion of consensus

Karlynn Willier is elected as the new AAYC Co-chair.

Amy moves to destroy the ballots

Seconded by Johnny Thunder

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that the floor be opened for nominations for AAYC

Secretary/Treasurer

Moved by Rusty Melting Tallow

Seconded by Alyssa

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that Courtney Auger be nominated for AAYC Secretary/Treasurer

Moved by: Johnny Thunder

Seconded by: April Willier

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that Dale Beck be nominated for AAYC Secretary

Moved by: Johnny Thunder

Seconded by: April Willier

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that Rusty Melting Tallow be nominated for AAYC Secretary

Moved by: Johnny Thunder

Seconded by: Karylynn Willier

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that Adrienne Crowshoe be nominated for AAYC Secretary

Moved by: Owen Crowshoe

Seconded by: Alyssa Dallaire

Adopted by consensus

Motion: Be it moved that nominations for AAYC Secretary cease.

Moved by: Johnny Thunder

Seconded by: Karylynn Willier

Adopted by consensus

Dale beck is elected as the new AAYC Secretary/Treasurer.

Karlynn moved to destroy the ballots

Seconded by Randy Weaselfat

Adopted by consensus

8. ANFCA Youth Mangers Report

John Humphrey Centre Global Youth Assembly Conference

- Jeri introduced the opportunity all FCs youth had to attend this conference and asked Chris Coutrie to provided a verbal report has he was one of the delegates, She asked other youth to share their thoughts about the conference..
- Chris shared a website address Dreamnow.org that it is a useful website to share their ideas. Next conference is 2011
- Courtney share a workshop she went to on Elder & Youth and one on how to get out your anger and frustrations, plus hip/hop rap workshop. Spray a mural with positive messages. Motivated her to do stuff in her community. Brad said it was packed and he met the Governor General.

Hinton AGM 2010

- Jeri spoke to you about the National AGM 2010 and the AAYC members will have to fundraise as the EDs mentioned at the last quarterly meeting and to start thinking of how we are going to fundraising.
- Jamie shared who can attend and how the voting elections work at the National AGM. We need to go united.

AAYC Meet & Greet Agenda

- AAYC meet & greet will start at 5:00 to & 7:00 p.m. and Crazy Horse Council has arranged the entertainment. Tables will be set up for the centres to promote their UMAC projects.

Motion: to break for lunch at 11:58am

Meeting called back to order at 1:30pm

9. AAYC visit with EDs

Johnny asked members prior before he meet with the Executive Directors what issues they wanted asked of the EDs.

Report from the Chair Meeting with Executive Directors

- The Executive Director suggested utilizing Facebook, emails for communication
 - Surveys ANFCA's to cc. The Youth Coordinators
 - UMAC Alumni's Surveys
 - Johnny thanked them on behalf of AAYC the centres who sent their youth to the NAFC AGM Youth Form and as a voting delegate.
- 10. a) YMCA Youth Exchange in Canada – Delaine Lambert, Grande Prairie**
Delaine shared a six month exchange opportunity for the youth to visit with other youth in another province. Two travel dates are between January to June 2010, deadline Sept 30, and July to December 2010, deadline March 1, 2010.

11. Community Updates – hand in written reports to Jeri, and whoever does not send in their reports it will be reflected in the minutes.

Jamie moved to adjourn 2:44pm to meet with the Elders.

12. YEG Review of Final Report with the Elders

The final YEG report was passed out, and Jeri asked Chris Courtier to provide a verbal summary of the gathering as he was the YEG Summer Student Coordinator. Jeri asked others to share their comments about the event. One of the comments made it was one of the best organized YEG and provided good information.