

Aboriginal Action Circle

Minutes of the December 19, 2013 Meeting

1. At 5:30 P.M. the opening Pray and Smudging Ceremony was given by our beloved Elder, Albert Dumont.
2. The meeting was called to order by the A/Chair, John Henri Commanada.
3. In attendance; Elder Albert Dumont, RVP Larry Rousseau, A/Chair John Henri Commanda, Treasurer Toni Mathews, Secretary Julie Toulouse, John Jewitt, and Tony Nicholas
Regrets: Edward Martin
4. The Agenda was approved as amended.
Motion to defer 6 and 7 to January meeting.
Moved by Tony Nicholas; 2nd Toni Mathews
Motion Carried
5. AAC Budget
Discussion to form an ad hoc committee to organize the retreat. Albert will host. This will be rolled over to 2014.
Revised budget to reflect Christmas Dinner and event at 510 Rideau.

Motion to rollover funds for retreat.
Be it resolved this years unexpended funds be carried over to next year specifically for retreat in 2014. In addition, the AAC will submit a letter to Council indicating intention of funds.
Moved by Tony Nicholas; 2nd Toni Mathews
Discussion: John Jewitt asked if funds will funds will be for the retreat or general. Larry responded, Yes, specifically for the retreat and not general allocation.
Abstention: John Jewitt
Motion Carried

Motion to accept treasurers' report as presented.
Moved by Tony Nicholas; 2nd Toni Mathews
Abstention – John Henri Commanda
6. Terms of Reference Working Groups
John Henri Commanda will have this ready for January meeting.
Discussion
John Henri Commanda will send revised version to Tony. Approved at January meeting and presented in February at Council meeting.
7. NCR Council Meeting
January 25, 2014 at Marriott

8. PSAC Training

John Henri Commanda said the calendar is available and distributed. He encouraged members of AAC to participate.

9. Bill C-4

Stephanie sent a reminder to complete pledge cards.

10. Item 13 was deferred.

11. Round Table

Motion to appoint John Henri Commanda as delegate for PSAC NCR Council in May

Moved by Tony Nicholas; 2nd Toni Mathews

Motion Carried

Toni Mathews commented on the emails sent in December. This will be deferred to January meeting.

John Jewitt commented on the emails that were sent to his work email address. He suggested that AAC resolve future discussion by telephone. He mentioned that the vote deadlines should not be sent to work email and consideration for time to respond.

John suggested that AAC budget for a new shelter for National Aboriginal Day, purchase of retractable banners, flags.

John also mentioned that Odawa Friendship Centre was looking for volunteers for the Christmas hampers. Details of the December 31 Pow wow are available on Odawa website and suggested that it be listed in AAC facebook page.

Larry commented for future discussions that are not reached at monthly meeting a conference call will be required to resolve issues. He said Claudine will organize a conference call in Emergency situations.

John Henri Commanda commented on that AAC will need to plan for expenditures. He updated AAC on the event at 510 Rideau which was well received and attended. He suggested that AAC should book early for next year.

Next meeting January 22, 2014.

Closing Prayers

Motion to Adjourn the meeting

Moved by Toni Mathews; 2nd Tony Nicholas

Carried