

**BRITISH COLUMBIA PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL**

**Notes of meeting held at RCBC Conference on June 25th 2008**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Nicole Kohnert, RDNO (Chair) Drew Hadfield, ACRD Anke Bergner, CRD Janine Dougall, RDBN Jeff Rahn, CBRD Carol Suhan, RDCO (Co-Chair) Darcy Mooney, CSRD Bob McDonald, CVRD Eric Sharpe, RDEK Roger Tooms, KSRD Laurie Gallant, representing RDKS Andrew Marr, Metro Vancouver Sharon Horsburgh, RDN Don Hamilton, OSRD Shannon Anderson, PRRD Brock Macdonald, RCBC Tim Des Champ, SQCRD Petra Wildauer, RDFFG Jarred Wright, UBCM	
<b>1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER</b>	Nicole Kohnert called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.	
<b>2. RECORDING SECRETARY</b>	Sharon Horsburgh.	
<b>3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA &amp; INTRODUCTION OF OTHER ITEMS</b>	Agenda adopted	
<b>Late Item – discussed before meeting</b>	On table agenda presented - discussion incorporated into minutes.	
<b>4. ADOPTIONS OF MINUTES</b>	Minutes were adopted Shannon moved. Darcy seconded.	
<b>5. CORRESPONDENCE</b>	Helen Spiegleman’s letter: trying to get support. Brock would like support from the committee. Discussion regarding RCBC motion on Packaging Stewardship to be circulated at UBCM. BCPSC would like to seek direction from UBCM on how to	<b><u>ACTIONS:</u></b> <u>discuss BCPSC’s process at next conference call with respect to UBCM’s help and political</u>

	<p>Respond. RCBC's questions and to propose a process for RD's to endorse RCBC's Packaging Stewardship position. This would be in direct response to the discussion around <i>product type vs material type</i>.</p> <p>Moved: by Carole Seconded: by Darcy.</p>	<p><u>buy in.</u> <b>ACTION:</b> Discuss if BCPSC wish to develop our own position?</p>
<p><b>6. STEWARDSHIP ISSUES TO RESOLVE</b></p>	<p>Some areas are well served with depots others aren't. To encourage Stewards it was suggested that report cards be issued by RDs to the MOE annually and a form be developed to make this easy.</p> <p>Stewardship plans can be amended with support and encouragement from Regional Districts.</p> <p>Issues from the RCBC brought forward include: -Oil collection is an issue in Northern areas, specifically, there is a need for more advertising of the bans since they do improve recovery of used oil and filters, also. Alberta still allows filters in the landfill, and also 5 gallon oil pales are being recycled (very likely commercial quantity).</p> <p>RDNO bylaw allows: 10% tolerance for making enforcement easier and it is likely that \$60,000 would be needed to hire a Bylaw enforcement officer each year.</p> <p>Penalties and surcharges are being applied to loads containing recyclables.</p> <p>What is the criteria with respect to reviewing stewardship plans and who should review stewardship plans and how does this compare with other jurisdictions?</p>	<p><b>ACTION:</b> ask MOE about how Stewardship Plans are reviewed, what is the criteria, and what do other jurisdictions do for their regular reviews. Also, what is needed to assist the MOE in original and regular reviews – can they set up a process for this that the BCPSC can use?</p>

	<p>Stewardship programs need to be more convenient particularly in northern communities. Need help with education and communication from the Stewards.</p> <p>In Metro Vancouver landfill Bans have created a tremendous increase in calls.</p> <p>people need more information communicated regarding EPR.</p> <p>- To be affective need Zero tolerance to enforce landfill bans in the ICI sector. Stewardship programs target the average citizen not the ICI sector. Many depots have limited space which is a limitation of the Stewardship Programs.</p>	
<b>7. BUSINESS ARISING</b>	<p><b><u>Election of Co-Chair</u></b> Sharon Horsburgh was nominated as co-chair and accepted by acclamation to work with Carol Suhan (overlap as per the Terms of Reference)</p>	
<b>7a. Administration Services</b>	<p><b>Proposals from RCBC and Raymand Gaudert were circulated to Council members.</b> Discussion ensued. Nicole presented a motion to adopt RCBC's proposal. It was adopted. However, an amendment was made not to include the membership <u>fee</u> because the Council needs a clear distinction between our position and RCBC's position. Revised contract fee of \$21,750 was discussed with Brock.</p> <p><b><u>Amended motion carried to award contract to RCBC to provide admin services. Moved by Darcy. Seconded by Eric.</u></b></p>	<p><b>ACTIONS:</b> <b>Draft agreement for RCBC for review and adoption at next meeting.</b></p>
<b>7b. Pledge Form Update</b>	<p>Majority of Pledge forms have been received. There will be follow up from the</p>	<p><b>ACTIONS:</b> <b>Nicole and</b></p>

	Co-chairs with outstanding jurisdictions with respect to the \$1,000 per year fee.	<b>Carol to follow up with 2 remaining RD's.</b>
	<p>Motion was presented regarding voting vs. Non voting rights for those district's that don't pledge \$1000. Darcy moved the following motion. Amend who has voting rights. 1 vote per Regional District representative that has pledged. Seconded by Eric.</p> <p>Motion was carried that 1 vote per regional district that has pledged.</p> <p>There was discussion with respect to the Terms of Reference reflecting the need to pledge.</p> <p>Only 2 regional district's have not yet pledged.</p>	<b>Amend terms of reference to reflect voting rights as it is based on membership.</b>
<b>8. NEW &amp; UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>		
<b>8a. MOE Announcement and Funding</b>	MOE is also interested in contributing financially to the Council as long as we are advocates for Product Stewardship and not lobbyists. It was <u>reports</u> of an announcement to be made in Spring 2009	<b>ACTION: Council to write a letter to MOE outlining rationale for funding.</b>
<b>8b. CWMA and SIWMA Conferences</b>	Invite Neil Hastie to attend and provide a brief update on Stewardship.	<b>ACTION: Carol to follow up with Neil Hastie.</b>
<b>8c. Landfill Bans Impact On Curbside and Depot Collection</b>	<p>Update was provided on the Milk Container Return Program. BC Dairy Council pays depot \$1/bag and rate is non negotiable.</p> <p><u>See other discussion in item 6 above.</u></p>	
<b>8d. Waste Composition Standards for Local Government</b>	Need a standardized approach for Composition studies. Also funding options for studies need to be explored.	

<b>8e. E-Waste</b>	Expanded list of products <u>to</u> be included in the Recycling Regulation. Many Depots are now collecting E-Waste.	
<b>8f. Tire collections</b>	Problems with collection at facilities. Most tires go to “Pacific Shredding”. Northern Communities had problems related to collection/trucking services and stewards said these issues could be resolved quickly.	
<b>8g.Quotas:</b>	<p>Do stewardship plans require that a certain percentage be collected in rural areas? The answer was no, however, there are some unique challenges in remote areas. <u>The</u> funding mechanism is designed to make the stewardship programs accessible and equitable for everyone.</p> <p>There are unredeemed deposits that create a surplus to help build up a reserve for future use if more returns than expected.</p>	
<b>8h.Fluorescent tubes</b>	Announcement to be made soon <u>by</u> MOE to add to Recycling Regulation. Nulife Industries is the company recycling fluorescent tubes <u>in</u> BC although some jurisdictions use a ‘Bulb Eater’ that vacuums the mercury vapour and leaves a drum full of glass, metal and powder.	
<b>8i. Batteries</b>	There were questions about acceptance of ALL batteries, but no one available to answer – e.g. rechargeables and ni-cad. Need to follow up with specific questions.	
<b>9. NEXT MEETING</b>	Tuesday, September 23rd , 2008, 9:30 a.m., Conference Call	