



 

Minutes of the December 9th 2009 Seasonal PSS Committee Meeting

Present: Diana Jedig (Chair), Matthew Thompson, Bob Annis, Linda Godin- Sorin, Michelle Cherot, Carol Madsen

Regrets: Flo Frank, Barbara Rufo, Mohamed Maie, Nicole Chaland, Anne Docherty, Raïmi Osseni

Follow up Actions are in BOLD and introduced by a ~

Hopes and wishes:

Bob: More transparency earlier on would sure be nice in lots of places. I'm taking a training workshop, "How to Retire" – which I will be implementing on January 1st

Michele: Looking forward to the province getting back on track following the Olympics

Linda: Hoping that the United Way will be ending on target in Manitoba (\$1.9 million to go). We'll be moving into a new building in June – moving forward with our partnership with CEDTAS.

Matthew: I'm always trying to hope that politics will change. With some inspiring renovations happening at the Learning Enrichment Foundation our office might move slightly so that we actually get a window. My band (www.thestormalongs.com) will be recording our second album in the spring.

Carol: I picked up the Stompin' Tom Connors biography and am inspired (though maybe not to play or listen to country music). I've got some hopes for real social change – particularly having opportunities for folks in the downtown eastside around the Olympics. I helped Richard Shorty, a Tutchone artist, to get into the Olympics as part of the Olympics Trade Show.

Diana: I am excited about new additions to the family (new grandchild in July) and am looking forward to seeing 3 year old granddaughter at Christmas. The political environment is always interesting, although I'm not sure if anything is going to happen there. I'm looking forward to having a face-to-face meeting in June next year.

Website:

Linda: quite impressed by how much is on there and how easy it is to find material

Diana: search tool working well – lots on courses in Winnipeg, but not much elsewhere

Bob: The "Get Involved" section is a little misleading as there is nothing about committees and how you can become a member of them. Also, under "CED Tools" it would be great to have a guide on how to have a green event – steps you might take and how do you measure how well you did. I also noticed that Marie Baptiste's name was still up there.

~Diana will look into some leads around green event organizing that she is aware of and Matthew will look into what's available informally through the Canadian CED Network

~Matthew will look into having a link added to the "Get Involved" section that would direct folks to the committees page.

~Matthew will look into updating the Board of Directors page

Educational listings

Matthew: We talked about having a link in two places from the homepage to a comprehensive list of professional development opportunities across Canada. As soon as we have the content this can be posted.

~Diana will send to the group a list that has already been developed so that additions can be made and sent to Matthew for posting.

Next Meeting - January 13th at 12:30pm EST