



True North Hostelling Association
O/A Hostelling International –
Canada – Pacific Mountain Region

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING SUMMARY

DATE & TIME: Tuesday August 6, 2019, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

PLACE: Zoom Call

PRESENT: Betty LaFave
Lenore Neudorf
Meghan Trepanier
Peter Nietresta
Curtis Hemming
Kit Keener
Thomas Heyd
Kevin Pals

REGRETS:

GUESTS: Robb Cryder COO

STAFF: Alistair McLean CEO

RECORDER: Alistair McLean CEO

1. **Call meeting to Order**

- B. LaFave called the meeting to order at 7:02pm MDT

2. **Approve the Agenda**

- B. LaFave reviewed the agenda.
- There were no changes.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board approves the board meeting agenda for the August 06, 2019 meeting as presented, is hereby acknowledged and ratified but the Directors of the Association.

3. **2019 Trilateral Meeting – Delegate(s)**

- A. McLean advised that HI USA CEO and Board President, Per Unheim and himself held a recent zoom call to discuss the Trilateral meeting agenda and structure of the days.
- Meeting starts on Wednesday evening October 23, 2019, with a welcome dinner. Then there are two days of joint meetings with HI USA, HI Canada and DJH Germany followed on the Saturday of bi-lateral meetings between the countries; finishing with a Farewell dinner.
- Meetings are being held in New Orleans with accommodation at the new HI New Orleans.
- B. LaFave advised that HI Canada would like a representative from the HI PM Region and HI Q&O Region to attend. There are currently 5 positions with three filled by HI Canada. They would also like to have one alternate from each region in case someone cannot make it or another space opens up.
- After a short discussion, it was agreed that the HI PM Region would propose a delegate and an alternate.

4. **Brian Kelly – Space Dedication**

- B. LaFave advised the need to pass a new resolution to dedicate the HI Jasper Common Area Lounge to Brian Kelly instead of the Meeting Room as previously approved.
- After a short discussion, the board approved the new location.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board revokes the April 07, 2019 motion and approves the naming of the guest common area lounge at the new HI Jasper in honour of Brian Kelly and will be unveiled at the Grand Opening on September 21, 2019, is hereby acknowledged and ratified by the Directors of the Association.

5. **Jasper Grand Opening Update – OL Committee**

- K Pals advised that winners from the member contest have been chosen and advised.
- A. McLean advised one winner has responded and he would be driving himself.
- 114 invitations being sent out for the grand opening ceremonies the next day.
- B LaFave. L. Neudorf, K. Keener and P. Nietresta will attend on behalf of the board.

6. HI Canada Membership Project Update

- P. Nietresta advised that a call is being scheduled for September 04, 2019.
- A list of ideas around membership rates and life members will be presented at the September call with operational staff for everyone to be on the same page before presenting to the Core Membership Group.
- P. Nietresta suggested the potential of a possible face to face meeting during the board retreat if needed and convenient to everyone.

7. HI Atlantic Merger Update

- A. McLean advised that Robb Cryder and himself spent last Monday to Thursday in Halifax and Wentworth.
- A review of each property was carried out.
- A. McLean and R. Cryder held meetings with CBRE and Halifax Partnerships as well.
- A property assessment and a property valuation is being coordinated with CBRE for HI Halifax.
- A. McLean and R. Cryder also did a walk around the Halifax downtown area to source other possible properties.

8. 2019 HI PM Board Retreat - Plan Update

- P. Nietresta provided a short update. The Saturday meeting will be at the Bowen Island library and has been booked and paid for.
- M. Trepanier advised that the retreat committee will be meeting in the near future to finalize up the program and agenda. Bowen Island will be a day trip.
- Possible activities would be a kayak tour and a dinner at one of the local island restaurants.
- M. Trepanier asked for possible agenda items that could be added. B. LaFave advised a discussion about meeting with the HI Q&O board next year. P. Nietresta asked to keep possible time aside for the membership project if needed. A. McLean advised we will need to carry out the different sub-entities AGMs and officer elections.

9. HI Jasper Town Council Update

- A. McLean advised that he had a call last Friday morning with Mayor Richard Ireland.
- The call went well, he understands fully our concern of natural justice and procedural fairness and our want not to have to engage legal counsel.
- We discussed what was needed by the council for a win win for them and the key item is temporary housing for people coming into town looking for jobs and

accommodation. I discussed how we have planned for this and described our job seekers program which is what he is after. I described how we expanded the size of the hostel to incorporate extra beds to help alleviate this issue.

- We meet with the council next Tuesday morning one on one and are finalizing people to attend the afternoon council meeting if required.

10. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm MDT.

Chair

Secretary