

A SHARED Future: Achieving Strength, Health and Autonomy through Renewable Energy Development for the Future

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
TELECONFERENCE WITH PROGRAMMATIC STEERING COMMITTEE

1:00PM-3:00PM ET
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9TH 2018

Attendees:

Emily Root (Cape Breton University), Diana Lewis (Dalhousie University), Jeffrey Masuda (Queen's University), Derek Kornelsen (University of Manitoba), Debbie Martin, (Dalhousie), Heather Castleden (Queen's University), Hannah Tait Neufeld (University of Guelph), Robert Stefanelli (Queen's University), Marc Calabretta (Queen's University)

Regrets:

Chantelle Richmond (Western University)

Opening remarks from Heather Castleden, followed by introductions from teleconference attendees.

- Greg Lowan-Trudeau is has formally stepped down from his role in A Shared Future. Heather, while disappointed, respects his decision. Heather asked the team to reflect on this departure and if anyone has suggestions for bringing in new folks to continue the summer institute ideas – for a new person or for us to collectively carry this on.
 - o Derek: Proposed that perhaps a colleague from his hydro project would be interested in joining or filling that role
 - Newsletter: For each newsletter, showcase the activities of our partners – What is going on there
 - o **Action: Project updates from PIs to be added to website, and to send updates so that the newsletter can always be populated**
 - o **Action: Dee and Debbie to send Rob NCC and NTC information for website**
 - Consider making A SHARED Future standalone website
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- Project Updates from Principal Investigators
 - **Emily Root:**

- Notes: The biggest update made it to the newsletter – Mary Beth Doucette joined the CEPI project. Brings a lens of institutionalism and organizing organizations. Membertou First Nation. Going to direct two term papers to the retrospective foundation piece of CEPI. This entails reviewing old minutes from when CEPI came together and even meetings from before it formalized. Met with Dan Christmas as well who pointed out key moments. This, plus minutes, identify key people to interview next. Mary Beth wants to shape dissertation to this type of work, which would then fit nicely with ASF.
- **Diana Lewis:**
 - Notes: Tried to meet Tanna in January, but illness and weather slowed that process. Contact has become more difficult now, and so still in sort of a holding pattern. Suggested that a meeting take place during Reading Week (Feb 19-23), and so Dee will travel there to make the meeting happen.
- **Debbie Martin:**
 - Notes: Emily Beacock MRES student on the project, supervised by Karen Beazley and is interested in health within RES. Wants to connect the work in NCC (renewable energy plan SSHRC project) with health. Her work will focus on community perspectives on health and well-being in renewable energy and how that influences plans for the future. She will travel next week to meet Amy Hudson and community coordinators where they will be meeting on projects. Emily will introduce her project there, and get their take on directions it could go in based on community. The following week, Debbie and Amy will meet with NUNACOR (ec dev arm of NunatuKavut). This is our opportunity to introduce our project to NUNACOR, and want to make sure the work we are doing doesn't overstep any of their initiatives. Want to recruit a Master of Engineering student to start monitoring and getting baseline data – without that, it impedes our action plan moving forward.
 - At Queen's, we have a program that tries to recruit Indigenous students to engineering, and so that could be another potential source for recruiting.
 - **Action: Rob to Link Debbie with Mark Green at Queen's. Send SERA info out to everyone. Also www.queensu.ca/sera**
- **Jeff Masuda:**
 - Notes: Role of gender with Sarah Harney – We have an opportunity to do not only our due diligence, but also an opportunity to be a really cutting-edge project that advances the field more generally. NWAC recognizes the limits of CRGBA and wants to continue to push those limits; ASF can help in that regard as well. Met with Sarah and Heather last week – recognized that ASF members are at different levels of understanding and readiness for CRSGBA. In thinking of that, Jeff and Sarah are available to assist however possible in creating a robust plan to take on their own learning and research learning of the gender-based implications or push

within the community, and how to incorporate into research design. We have gathered all of the most relevant literature (guidelines, academic lit, etc.), this will be available in short order and soon will be curated to allow for easier incorporation of research. To access that now, send Sarah and Jeff and email.

- Longer term plan as co-champions is to propose a smaller-scale project where we check in on a regular basis with research teams to chart learning and challenges with the ultimate goal of advancing CRSGBA in each project. For urban project, we are sticking to the original plan as this will be a later project. Have had another conversation with Catherine Graham at NAFC, and for now, we are to keep NAFC up-to-date about the project, and later on will have a youth engagement session in Friendship centres near other projects being led.
- **Heather Castleden:**
 - Notes: Call with David Suzuki Foundation – Sherry Yano. SCIENTIA conference in May 2018 at UBC with David Suzuki Foundation. Championed by Miles Richardson (former Haida Chief Negotiator). The conference is about stewardship of resources, land management using IK and WK. One of the breakout sessions is around renewable energy. Asked if ASF would be willing to be involved in some form. Heather noted some members of ASF that may be interested in participating.
 - Chad Walker (post-doc) has just received ethics approvals to interview renewable energy developers – we will start with folks at the Whitehorse Conference – questions about what their presence was about, and what they hoped to achieve there, then finally asked about TRC Call 92 and UNDRIP and how those factor into their decision-making.
 - Undergraduate student Elissa Bozhkov completed her first interview with IISD-ELA members about institutional readiness for reconciliation.
 - Priscilla Apronti (PhD Candidate) is on maternity leave, but is working to come up with a project that fits within A Shared Future.
- **Hannah Tait Neufeld:**
 - Notes: TES model in T'sou-ke about the housing funding they just received (see newsletter update, and include this here). Heather and Hannah to coordinate a trip out to BC. Chief elections are upcoming, so there may be some changes in T'Sou-ke upcoming, but hoping to get out there in May or June. A new student, Brianna (MSc), will hopefully join during that trip. Hannah hopes that this trip will include setting up a community advisory committee out there, and would like to hire a local coordinator to help facilitate that research.
 - Faisal Moola has agreed to be on Brianna's committee.
 - May 24th-26th the Indigenous Health Conference: Walking Together is taking place (more information is available here: <https://www.cpd.utoronto.ca/indigenoushealth/environmental-day/>).
- **Derek Kornelsen:**

- Notes: Derek's status has been unknown for a while, but the way it stands now, NRCan still stands the way we had already planned with a program and policy analysis piece. Now we are waiting on NRCan to give input on budget analysis. Derek is longer seeking an academic placement, but will work as a research associate or post-doc, but will need to have an adjunct status at University of Manitoba.
 - **Question about students:** There will be students involved in the project, but just working as research assistants.
- **Chantelle Richmond**
 - Notes: She is back on her feet and feeling better. Trying to restart conversations with folks in Pic River now. There is a student recruited for this work.
- Terms of Reference
 - Notes: **ACTION: Dee to send typo issues to Rob**
 - Tie-breaking scenario – Heather to have final vote?
 - Pro-tem director: (JM) The idea of the co-director is really strong. It was generated for a number of reasons, one of which includes it being a real career opportunity for early-career researchers. The other rationale for an early-career researcher is that this program has a large workload and too much for one person to take on.
 - Derek to be considered, but as a white male, and non-academic (?) so maybe that wouldn't fit
 - Dee went through all the responsibilities and noted that if she put her name forward, could she defer for a few months – perhaps as second pro-tem
 - **ACTION: DUE FEB 16, 2018 - No word at the moment from Hannah, Debbie, or Emily, but opportunity to write to Heather directly once thoughts on the matter have been personally considered.**
 - **ACTION: DUE FEB 16, 2018 - Principal Investigators to send recommendations of community nominees and PhD student nominees for the Executive Committee for the first year. Go through the list on HEC Lab website (<http://heclab.com/a-shared-future/team/>)**
 - Phd Options include: Mary Beth, Priscilla, Jenna White (maybe)
 - **ACTION: Emily Root happy to reach out to Mary Beth and invite to be on this year's executive, then Nick Mercer year after, then Priscilla**
 - Community options: consider that PIs are not within the renewable energy realm, so Indigenous leadership in renewable energy development is the ideal, but not necessary. Heather proposed Tanna as a potential person for the executive (though is she willing, does she have the time?). The person needs to be available to review recommendations from steering committee about what to fund. Teleconference once per month as necessary. Troy Jerome was another person that comes to mind.

- Support student through A SHARED Future that are doing research in this area but are lacking funds (e.g., Nick Mercer). Perhaps, A SHARED Future has small grants for students in this realm to do their field work and then maybe present at a conference on behalf of A SHARED Future.
- SRR Opt-In
 - Opt-In Names: Derek, Hannah, Emily, Dee, Debbie
 - Opt-Out Names:
 - Notes:
- Summer Institutes (WEPGN \$25,000 meeting fund – Expires Dec 31/18)
 - Notes: Wonder if we could consider adding on a day at that conference and using these funds for those purposes. Unsure on WEPGN parameters, but if we could use to support team members to attend conference and add a day to relationship building and bring trainees (Summer Institute). Perhaps have a small session on the 4th day.
 - Additionally, Heather must run a field school out on east coast about 2 weeks later, and so that would take a lot of her time as well
 - CEPI Youth Conference
 - Ken Paul Conference—postponed until September
 - NCC Community Meeting
 - Chantelle RIMC Summer Institute
 - **ACTION: DUE FEB 16 SEND ROB IDEAS FOR SUMMER INSTITUTES AND CONFERENCES**
- Sex/Gender Based Analysis and Knowledge Translation
 - Notes: Jeff Masuda left call, but addressed this at the start of the meeting
- International Advisory Committee Save the Date (March 6, 5-7pm ET) and Draft Agenda
 - Notes: Proposed agenda for IAC meeting includes:
 - Opening and closing prayers from Simon Brascoupe, Committee Chair.
 - Involvement/roles for IAC within ASF, and discuss PSC Terms of Reference and the outcomes of this teleconference
 - Update IAC on projects and how some are outside the scope, or projects that may be in development
 - Feedback on Terms of Reference and governance strategy
 - Feedback on the newsletter and keeping non-project members informed on projects within ASF
 - Could invite a handful of IAC members to attend a summer institute and maybe piggyback with the IMNPs
- Final Comments
 - **ACTION: Let Rob know if you are attending AAG so that he can prepare a face-to-face meeting there.**
 - **ACTION: Proposals to be ready before April Teleconference**

