

 <p>foster parents British Columbia BCFFPA</p> <p>Board of Directors September 10, 2018 Conference Call</p>	<p><i>In Attendance</i></p> <p>Marcy Perron, President Lance Bereck, Treasurer Chad Hooker, Vice President Tanya Hooker, Vancouver Island Delegate Walter Aguilar, Coast Fraser Delegate Kevin Daniel, Interior Delegate Jayne Wilson, Executive Director Ronda Sweeney, Community Network Manager</p>	<p><i>Guest</i></p> <p>Connie Epp, MCFD</p>
<p>No quorum was present. Meeting commenced at 6:40 pm. *M/S/C (Moved/Seconded/Carried)</p>		
ACTION	DETAIL	MOTION or ACTION
<p>1. Ministry Liaison</p>	<p>Current focus is on Foster Family Month messaging and communications regarding regional events. Provincial office provides acknowledgement pins to the MCFD offices for long term foster parents.</p> <p>Conflict with this year’s Foster Family Month will be the cannabis focus with legalization taking place. Policy is being developed and released which will outline the impact on foster parents. BCFFPA had very little input to the cannabis policy work. They expect the document to have many updates.</p> <p>Asked Ministry Liaison to follow up on a meeting with the Minister that was requested in July.</p> <p>Discussion about Quality of Care timelines and the impact of long delays on families. Coast Fraser delegate noted that many of the supports in the Fraser Valley area are coming to BCFFPA and asked for confirmation about which support services are contracted for that area. Liaison indicated that she would research and provide information.</p>	<p>ACTION request a copy of draft policy from contacts in the policy division</p> <p>ACTION send Treasurer and Secretary the RW Policies link and note which sections cover protocol and conflict</p>
<p>2. Regional Delegate Reports</p>	<p><i>Interior Region</i></p> <p>Quality of Cares are taking a long time in the Interior region. We may need to ask our Solutions Manager to address the situation. Executive Director noted that the ADM of Service Delivery had been sent an email regarding the long timelines who had indicated that she would address it with the EDS team.</p> <p>There are some relationship challenges between foster parents and social workers.</p> <p>Cannabis legalization has created a lot of chatter in the community. The outcome will be interesting.</p>	

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	<p>Summer has been very quiet in the Kelowna area. Query how the rates discussion is going.</p> <p><i>North Region</i> No report available.</p> <p><i>Coast Fraser Region</i> Quality of Care timelines are longer than policy guidelines. Some foster homes are empty while others are over capacity. FVFPA is providing training but enrollment is down. Foster parents who attend additional training are not receiving increases to their levels so there is less motivation to attend.</p> <p><i>Vancouver Island Region</i> Partnership meetings will start up again in September. Very quiet summer in the community.</p>	
3. AGM Walkthrough	<p><i>Wednesday:</i> Board and staff arrive in Nelson</p> <p><i>Thursday:</i> Board meeting, partnership meeting, panel meeting and meet and greet. Registration table will be open at the meet and greet. Wine-pull fundraiser for \$10/bottle. Raffle will begin with 2 large packages to buy tickets for.</p> <p><i>Friday:</i> Hot breakfast and registration opens at 7:45 a.m. The new RCY, Jennifer Charlesworth, is the keynote speaker followed by 2 workshops, lunch with a fundraiser, and a later afternoon workshop for Extended Benefits discussion. Evening meetings for the President, ED and Treasurer. Interested participants can go to the hot springs.</p> <p><i>Saturday:</i> hot breakfast, Minister Conroy speaks followed by the Annual General Meeting. The banquet doors open at 5:30, food served around 6 pm and the evening fundraiser.</p> <p>So far there are 108 registrations.</p>	<p>ACTION Ask Michelle to break down the registration stats for past several AGMs</p>
4. New Business	<p><i>Pre-AGM Meeting</i> Discussion about whether newly elected Secretary can attend the pre-AGM meeting for familiarity sake?</p> <p><i>NED Meeting in Ottawa</i> Discussion about Ronda attending the National Executive Directors (NED) meeting in Ottawa in November. There are two full days of meetings this year.</p>	<p>MOTION to invite Julie Holmlund to attend the pre-AGM Board meeting. M/S/C Marcy/Chad</p> <p>MOTION to support Ronda in attending the NED meeting in Ottawa with Jayne. M/S/C Marcy/Kevin</p>

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	<p><i>Grief and Loss Curriculum</i> Discussion regarding releasing the grief and loss curriculum written in 2005 for use by a foster parent who intends to be providing workshops for caregivers. Some of the content would be useful. It's a good way to support this individual in her work. Questions: how would an affiliation with BCFFPA work? We would want to decide how BCFFPA is acknowledged. How long would the material be used? What would the contribution back to BCFFPA look like?</p> <p><i>AGM Spending Approvals (and General Spending)</i> Treasurer spoke about AGM 2017. Was not consulted on the expenses prior to the AGM. Impression is that the planning just went ahead with approvals from the President. Believes there is a need for checks and balances for spending outside of routine budget so that the 2017 situation doesn't happen again.</p> <p>Will work on an outline for a process and a new motion for consideration. Protection measure to ensure that expenditures are looked at by more than a couple of individuals. Doesn't want it to be too restrictive but needs to be in writing.</p>	<p>ACTION Executive Director will follow up</p> <p>ACTION Treasurer will outline an approvals process for additional/extraordinary expenses associated with non-routine spending for BCFFPA</p>
6. Next Meeting	Next meeting in-person prior to the AGM on September 27 th , 2018 in Nelson.	
	Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.	