

 <p><b>foster parents</b> British Columbia BCFFPA</p> <p><b>Board of Directors November 19, 2019 Conference Call</b></p>	<p><i>In Attendance</i></p> <p>Marcy Perron, President Chad Hooker, Vice President Julie Holmlund, Treasurer Kevin Daniel, Secretary Raquel Lesieur, Interior Delegate Tanya Hooker, Vancouver Island Delegate Jeanette Dyer, Coast Fraser Delegate Ronda Sweeney, Community Network Manager Jayne Wilson, Executive Director</p>	<p><i>No Guests This Meeting</i></p>
<p>No quorum being present, the meeting commenced at 6:32 p.m. <b>*M/S/C (Moved/Seconded/Carried)</b></p>		
ACTION	DETAIL	MOTION or ACTION
<p>1. Regional Delegate Reports</p>	<p><i>Interior Region</i></p> <p>Macro meeting took place on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The appointed Interior Delegate is Raquel Lesieur from Kamloops. Change in Branch leadership in Kamloops. Partnership meetings in the Penticton area is ongoing. The implications of Bill C92 and UNDRIP are concerning for foster parents.</p> <p>There is a situation in Kamloops where foster parents are concerned about an Indigenous child being left in a dangerous situation at home. No action is being taken in spite of reports to the Ministry. May have something to do with the Bill C92 expectations.</p> <p><i>Vancouver Island Region</i></p> <p>A child in Courtenay has no care plan. MCFD is consulting with the birth mom. Foster parent says the child is not receiving the proper care. Lots of staff turn over in the Courtenay office. Foster parents are enduring challenging treatment. Pizza and swim event down Island was cancelled and will reschedule for the spring. Contact being made with foster parents across the Island.</p> <p>Courtenay has empty homes and placements appear to be selective. Some homes have been empty for over a year. Campbell River homes are full.</p> <p><i>Coast Fraser Region Report</i></p> <p>Training on Lifebooks through the Abbotsford agency is ongoing. The Appreciation dinner was reasonably well attended. Mission downtown opened stores for trick or treating and a recruitment table was set up.</p> <p>A Christmas event will take place for the kids and will include Santa.</p>	

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	<p>Empty homes mean no income for foster parents. What are they supposed to do other than find other work? No kinship placement support is being provided. Foster parents are worried that it will mean multiple breakdowns.</p> <p>A foster parent with youth in her care since birth needs connection with CLBC to begin transition planning. MCFD staff have not yet made these connections. Suggested she connect with Walter Aguilar. The child is fully dependent.</p> <p>Big change in Resource Team with a senior staff member retiring.</p> <p><i>No North Region Report available.</i></p>	
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting	No changes to the Minutes of October 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2019 meeting.	<p><b>MOTION</b> to approve the Minutes of October 22, 2019 Board meeting as circulated.  <b>M/S/C</b> Chad/Kevin</p>
3. Agenda	Additional topics noted.	
4. President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing discussion regarding foster parent Rights and possible Memorandum of Understanding. Now discussing changes to policy rather than MOU</li> <li>• Kelowna Branch will host a Christmas party and are in the middle of their Christmas baking. Orders are taken and filled for fundraising. Over \$1500 in orders received</li> <li>• A speaker is being arrange for a Branch meeting. Lots of courses are being provided</li> <li>• Welcomed Raquel to the Board of Directors</li> <li>• Thank you to Tanya Hooker, Vancouver Island Delegate, for her time on the Board. An election will be held for the position in the new year.</li> </ul>	
5. Vice President's Report	<p>The receptionist position is vacant again and a temp has been hired in the interim. The Communications Coordinator has a lot on her priority list. Staff all sent in their summaries for the month.</p> <p>Meet with the Ombudsman coming up next week. Will attend meeting with Anita.</p> <p>VP is participating on the call about foster parent Rights.</p>	
6. Treasurer's Report	Signing authority changes have been completed. The financial statement numbers look good. Right where we should be for this time of the year.	<p><b>MOTION</b> to accept the financial statements as circulated.  <b>M/S/C</b> Julie/Tanya</p>

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7. Executive Director's Report	<p>OTO Home Studies project funds need to be returned after all. Meetings this week in Victoria about the trainings project,</p> <p>the Solutions Program and the Social Sector Advisory Committee.</p> <p>We will be hiring a bookkeeper to come to the office each week and have hired additional part time assistance for the Solutions Program.</p>	
8. Ongoing Business	<p>Hydro update will be provided next month.</p> <p>Christmas office closure from December 23-January 3.</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b> to close the provincial office between December 23 and January 3 for the Christmas break.</p> <p><b>M/S/C</b> Chad/Jeanette</p>
9. New Business	<p>Former President of Kamloops Branch and some others are wanting to open a second Branch in the area due to disagreements with the current Board members. Current Branch Board is focusing on family events, activities and partnership with the foster parent support agency.</p> <p>Kamloops Branch Board members are experiencing some challenges receiving files and information from former Kamloops Branch Board members.</p>	<p><b>ACTION</b> send current membership information to Kamloops Board</p>
11. Next Meeting	Next Meeting December 17th, 2019 via conference call.	
	Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm	