

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
10:00 am Wednesday, January 22, 2014
Teleconference

PRESENT:

Johannes Zwart	Chair, Town of Grande Cache
Tammy Strang	Secretary/Treasurer, Town of Edson
Shawn Berry	IRC Chair, Yellowhead County
Matthew Young	Director, Town of Hinton
Marcel Michaels	Director, Town of Hinton
Gilbert Wall	Vice Chair, Municipality of Jasper
Anthony Giezen	Director, Yellowhead County
Shawn Moulun	Director, Town of Grande Cache
Rob Staples	Alternate, Town of Grande Cache

STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Nancy Robbins General Manager

APOLOGIES:

Trevor Bevan	Director, Town of Edson
Helen Kelleher-Empey	Director, Municipality of Jasper

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair **ZWART** called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

BERRY That agenda be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

4. OPERATING PLAN FOR 2014-2015

Nancy presented the draft operating plan for 2014-2015.

The operating plan is designed around Western Diversification core service areas with corresponding goals set out by the Board of Directors

1. Rural access to business development services
 - a. Deliver training and business supports for entrepreneurs
2. Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation
 - a. Create awareness and partnership in communities to support entrepreneurs
3. Rural access to leveraged capital
 - a. Provide unique loan program solutions
 - b. Maintain and increase the level of financial support available to entrepreneurs

MOULON Motion to accept the operating plan for 2014-2015 as presented
STRANG (2nd)

CARRIED
(UNANIMOUS)

5. OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2014-2015

Nancy presented the draft operating budget for 2014-2015. The budget reflects the needs of the operating plan.

WALL Motion to accept the operating budget for 2014-2015 as presented
MICHAELS (2nd)

**CARRIED
(UNANIMOUS)**


6. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** February 27, 2014 at 10:00 am at CFWY office in Hinton

7. ADJOURNMENT

STRANG Motion to adjourn at 10:42 am
CARRIED



Chair



Secretary/Treasurer