

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION ASSOCIATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE: December 21, 2006
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
Conference Call**

ATTENDANCE: L. Henderson N. McInnis C. Revega
D. Joyce G. Kiviaho
B. Watson L. Ludwig

REGRETS:	F. O'Malley	T. Hurlbut	A. Harvey	L. Randle
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1.0 CALL TO ORDER L. Henderson called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. **06-5**

Meeting with Gov't Departments

Discussion on the meeting held November 29, 2006 with the various provincial government departments Deputy Ministers and staff - Municipal Affairs, Education, Environment, Infrastructure and Transportation.

This process had begun in late 2005 to have a meeting with the departments. There had been scheduling and other difficulties.

Board members who attended, felt that the LGAA has a lot of follow up to do, as some of the departments lacked knowledge as to what the LGAA is about. It was a good exercise to go through and made a good start in the process.

Suggestions include:

The LGAA requires to be more professionally prepared with: a bound, color, briefing package; stating here's what we are, and here's what we want. To limit our presentation to 1 ½ hours. To be concise and direct and not to ramble on.

To build a stronger relationship with Municipal Affairs and have them assist with meeting and building the relationships with the other departments.

Follow up:

L. Henderson will write thank you letters to those who attended. She will also send a letter of congratulations to Premier Stelmach. Further she will send letters of congratulations and introduction to the new Deputy Ministers, stating here's who we are, that the LGAA would like to work with them on issues of mutual concern and request a meeting. Suggestion that she use her letter of February 8, 2006 as a guideline, and that S. Byer assist with the attachment. **L. Henderson**

N. McInnis provided an update on the Marketing Strategy. The first \$150,000 was granted to AMD&C and they are doing a rural labor force survey. N. McInnis is on the sub committee that will apply for a second grant to move the marketing piece forward.

He left the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

At the meeting Environment had spoken about a process to receive feed back. L. Henderson will check into further details and if A. Harvey would like to be the LGAA representative.

LGAA will provide feedback on the linear self report and different classes of assessment.

Long term sustainability of municipalities is a priority of the new Premier.

FINANCES

D. Joyce moved to accept the 2007 LGAA budget.

Discussion in Fall 2007 will focus on LGAA revenue sources.

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MINUTES

B. Watson moved to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board on November 24, 2006.

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NEXT MEETING

January 26 2007 in Nisku at the Nisku Inn. Carol will check the Royal Executive Inn for the next meeting.

Carol will do a weather check on Wed. January 24, if the weather is bad it will be conference call meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

L. Henderson adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

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President

Recording Secretary