

Rogers, Dru ABR:EX

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 2:45 PM
To: Bartlett, Julie ABR:EX
Subject: FW: Joint Partners' Table - June 16

Hi Julie – not sure if this one is necessary – could you please ask Dru – its just in regards to how Chastity would call into the meeting

From: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2015 9:31 PM
To: Aquino, Ernesto ABR:EX; Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Cc: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Subject: RE: Joint Partners' Table - June 16

Thanks, Ernesto.

Rachel – will you set-up the call?

Monica – FYI re DV meeting.

From: Aquino, Ernesto ABR:EX
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2015 4:28 PM
To: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX; Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Subject: RE: Joint Partners' Table - June 16

Hi Jodi,

I have just confirmed that Chastity can call the toll free number ^{s.22} and there is no long distance charge.

Dial-in Phone Numbers:
^{s.17} Toll Free - North America

Participant Conference ID: ^{s.17}
Moderator Conference ID: (Rachel Holmes)

Sincerely,

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From: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2015 6:45 AM
To: Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Cc: Aquino, Ernesto ABR:EX
Subject: FW: Joint Partners' Table - June 16

Rachel – do you want to provide your call-in info to Chastity? I don't believe I have used skype with our con-call so if you haven't either we may want to ask Ernesto to confirm it can work. Or do you have skype on your ipad and can connect that way?

Thanks,
Jodi

From: Chastity Davis^{s.22}
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2015 1:16 PM
To: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Subject: Re: Joint Partners' Table - June 16

Hi Jodi,
Yes it may be good for me to call in and listen and participate if need be. I would call in from Skype because I will be calling from out of the country.
I should be able to make that timing work on my end.
Please send me dial in information.
Thank you.
Warm regards,
Chastity

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 8, 2015, at 11:55 AM, Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX <Jodi.Newnham@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Chastity – the JPT meeting is going to occur on June 16 from 10am-12pm at the Premier's Vancouver office. I understand you may want to call in; please let me know and we can make arrangements.

Thanks,
Jodi

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Rogers, Dru ABR:EX

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 2:42 PM
To: Bartlett, Julie ABR:EX
Subject: FW: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

FYI for FOI

From: Nault, Tara HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 5:50 PM
To: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Cc: Kendall, Tamil HLTH:EX; Ramsay Cline, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Re: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

Thanks very much, Monica.

Have a great vacation.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 4:51 PM
To: Nault, Tara HLTH:EX
Cc: Kendall, Tamil HLTH:EX; Ramsay Cline, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

Hi Tara

The JPT political signatories met in June but the technical working group is now focused on preparing for the family gathering. I'll send you the invite for the strategic planning meeting on the family gathering next week – its all the same folks that sit on the JPT technical working group

thanks

Monica

From: Nault, Tara HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 1:17 PM
To: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Cc: Kendall, Tamil HLTH:EX; Ramsay Cline, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

Hi Monica:

I understand Jodi Newnham has moved to another Ministry.

Please see the emails below regarding this Table.

I had confirmed with Carol Hoyer my participation for MoH but have never heard about a meeting.

Just wondering is this group has met or will meet in the Fall.

Thanks.

Tara R. Nault

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From: Paton, Arlene HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2014 1:29 PM
To: Cunningham, Peter C ABR:EX
Cc: Hoyer, Carol D ABR:EX; Muller, Bev HLTH:EX; Hughes, Doug J HLTH:EX; Nault, Tara HLTH:EX; McDonald, Shannon M HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

Thanks Peter (and Carol) for this note. I'm happy to sit on this committee for Ministry of Health (including for Doug) and Tara Nault from the Aboriginal Health Directorate can sit on the working group and liaise with other parts of the ministry as needed.

Regards,
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From: Hoyer, Carol D ABR:EX **On Behalf Of** Cunningham, Peter C ABR:EX
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2014 3:31 PM
To: Bowman, Deborah TRAN:EX; Avison, Claire AVED:EX; Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; Heavener, Cory R MCF:EX; Dicks, Beverly J MCF:EX; Mjolsness, Randi L MCF:EX; Bond, Allison MCF:EX; Stewart, Melanie CSCD:EX; Allen, Roderick EDUC:EX; Paton, Arlene HLTH:EX; Hughes, Doug J HLTH:EX; Mason, Shanna JTST:EX; MacDonald, Scott D JTST:EX; Hughes, Doug J HLTH:EX; Merchant, Brent JAG:EX; Cavanaugh, Lynda A JAG:EX; Pecknold, Clayton JAG:EX; Chalke, Jay JAG:EX; Manning, Nichola SDSI:EX; Harrington, Molly SDSI:EX
Cc: Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX; Gottfred, Jan ABR:EX; Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX; Hoyer, Carol D ABR:EX
Subject: MOU Partners' Table Ending Violence

Dear Colleagues:

You will recall that on June 13, 2014, Premier Clark and Minister Rustad signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Regarding Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls with the First Nations Summit, the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, the BC Assembly of First Nations and the Métis Nation BC. The Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women (MACAW) recommended this MOU as a key public and political statement to demonstrate our shared focus and commitment to addressing the issues specific to Aboriginal women and girls.

MARR is working with signatory partners to develop a joint MOU oversight framework. We will want to ensure that the proposed structure is consistent with the MACAW recommendations to government through their July 2013 Taking Action Report, and with the prevailing understanding that a holistic approach/response is required. As such, multiple ministries are required to participate at both the ADM and staff levels to address the MOU commitments.

The MOU commits the Joint Partners Table to "meet annually or more frequently as required" – I anticipate ADMs needing to meet with Aboriginal senior executive once or twice per year with technical staff meeting more frequently to develop materials, identify actions and report up.

Please confirm with Carol Hoyer (carol.hoyer@gov.bc.ca) by November 26, 2014, that you will participate and identify who your lead staff person will be for the technical working group.

Once we hear back from you, I will set up a conference call to discuss further, including how this MOU and joint table aligns with the Premier's Violence Free BC strategy and various other initiatives currently underway.

Thanks, Peter.

<< File: MOU Regarding Stopping Violence Signed June 13 2014.pdf >>

Peter Cunningham

Assistant Deputy Minister

Partnerships and Community Renewal Division

Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

Rogers, Dru ABR:EX

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 2:44 PM
To: Bartlett, Julie ABR:EX
Subject: FW: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

For FOI request

From: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2015 8:40 AM
To: Cox, Monica ABR:EX; Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Subject: RE: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Ditto from me – they're not there yet (and even if they were, it is likely inappropriate for NR on 18th re JPT/Family Gathering as it supposed to be joint release and MOU signatories have not been involved).

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2015 5:54 AM
To: Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX; Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Subject: RE: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Hi Rachel and Jodi
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Thanks
Monica

From: Leslie, Lisa GCPE:EX
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2015 6:00 PM
To: Nash, Laurel ABR:EX
Cc: King, Moira GCPE:EX; Cox, Monica ABR:EX; Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX; Hall, Sandy GCPE:EX; Keast, Gordon GCPE:EX
Subject: Re: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Okay. Will hold off

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 14, 2015, at 5:00 PM, Nash, Laurel ABR:EX <Laurel.Nash@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Thanks. I still need to have a conversation with Deb..and find out how the meeting with macaw went from Rachel and monica. Thx

Laurel Nash
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From: King, Moira GCPE:EX
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2015 2:31 PM
To: Leslie, Lisa GCPE:EX
Cc: Hall, Sandy GCPE:EX; Keast, Gordon GCPE:EX; Nash, Laurel ABR:EX
Subject: Re: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

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Moira

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

From: Leslie, Lisa GCPE:EX
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2015 1:37 PM
To: King, Moira GCPE:EX
Cc: Hall, Sandy GCPE:EX; Keast, Gordon GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Yes, please contact MOTI.
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From: King, Moira GCPE:EX
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2015 8:22 AM
To: Nash, Laurel ABR:EX; Leslie, Lisa GCPE:EX; Hall, Sandy GCPE:EX; Keast, Gordon GCPE:EX
Cc: Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Subject: Re: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Sunshine greetings;

Laurel, thank you for your prompt response and feedback Laurel. It's so appreciated. Your comments and edits will be followed up on. Regarding Q9, great news of the Huston funding of much needed vans.

Lisa: Let's discuss strategy. Do you want me to contact GCPE Transportation to see if this initiative is ready for a general mention in the NR going out on Monday?

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Sandy: I'll work with you on the Qs and As on Monday to finalize them for Laurel's approval and that of MO.

I'll be out of reach from 9:30 until 1:00, but can review emails after 11:30.

Thank you,

Moira

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

From: Nash, Laurel ABR:EX
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2015 11:02 PM
To: King, Moira GCPE:EX
Cc: Leslie, Lisa GCPE:EX; Hall, Sandy GCPE:EX; Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX
Subject: Re: MOU First Anniversary Partners Table meeting June 16

Hi a few points of clarification on the Q and As..others are fine.

Q3- we have committed and will be looking to partner with other Ministries, interested parties and the federal government.

Q6 - is MJR and PO comfortable using the term assimilation policy? This will need to be checked.

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Thanks very much!
Respectfully,
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On Jun 13, 2015, at 7:02 PM, King, Moira GCPE:EX <Moira.King@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Laurel:

Can you review the attached documents some time by Monday am? The KMs and Qs and As were approved by Jody, me, Lisa and MO as Kit wanted to see them earlier than later.

NR is also approved up to Lisa and a review by Kit, but with Jodi for consultation with the Partners' Table. It will be released post-meeting.

Thanks for all your support.

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Rogers, Dru ABR:EX

From: Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 2:30 PM
To: Bartlett, Julie ABR:EX
Subject: FW: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Hi Julie – here's one email for the FOI request

From: Newnham, Jodi TRAN:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2015 12:52 PM
To: Holmes, Rachel ABR:EX; Cox, Monica ABR:EX
Subject: FW: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Hi there – just a heads up that Audrey called me last week to go through the leg as there is a big rush. She was also going to follow-up with Rachel.

Thanks,
Jodi

From: Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2015 9:24 AM
To: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX; Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX
Subject: RE: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Hi Jodi and Lori,

Thank you for getting back to me. I had a major deadline last week so was not able to stay on top of my emails. We have some time now to sort out the rest of our consultation plan. It was raised at a consultation with some anti-violence umbrella organizations that we should connect with the advisory committee. Jodi, I think you had previously suggested it may be beneficial to begin with the chair?

I don't have a BN right now, just a summary of the issue etc, similar to what I provided in my email below, but there are some updates to that so I will get something more up-to-date together to provide to you for your ADM.

Thanks,
Audrey

From: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2015 10:34 PM
To: Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX; Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX
Subject: RE: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Thanks, Lori, for following up as I too have no idea where time is going. Yes, please let us know your timelines so I can keep that in mind.
Jodi

From: Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2015 10:36 AM
To: Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX
Cc: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX
Subject: RE: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Hi Audrey, I apologize for the very delayed response – I don't know where my 'next week' went and now this week is rapidly moving to an end!

Jodi and I were not able to discuss your project at the JPT meeting that we attended.

I'm sure Jodi will raise it with them when the opportunity arises, but waiting for their consultation may not fit with your needs/timeline. In that event, I am wondering if there is anything else that I can assist you with in the meantime – in terms of other thoughts around possible Aboriginal engagement to identify other community professions/members who might be suggested as third-party verifiers?

Also, are you able to send PODV a copy of the BN to share with our ADM?

From: Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX

Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2015 3:36 PM

To: Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX

Cc: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX

Subject: Re: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

No, I'm sorry, there wasn't. I'm away tomorrow so would it be alright to touch base next week?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 9, 2015, at 3:16 PM, Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX <Audrey.Panter@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Jodi and Lori,

In follow-up to your meeting last week with the Joint Partners, I am wondering if there was an opportunity to discuss our project and if you received any feedback.

Kind regards,

Audrey

From: Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 4:12 PM

To: Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX; Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX

Subject: Re: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Thanks, Audrey. Just to confirm - are we able to share all that is below?

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

From: Panter, Audrey OHCS:EX

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 3:05 PM

To: Pruce, Lori K MCF:EX; Newnham, Jodi ABR:EX

Subject: Summary of Residential Tenancy Branch project for Joint Partners Table

Hi Lori and Jodi,

Further to my telephone meeting with Lori yesterday, she suggested that I send some information about our project on Ending Fixed Term Tenancies for you to discuss with the Joint Partners tomorrow. I understand it is the inaugural meeting of that table and that this might be a good example of something that might come before them for discussion and input.

Residential Tenancy Branch Policy Goal

- To ensure tenancy laws support victims fleeing domestic violence

Issue

- The *Residential Tenancy Act* and *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* set out the rights and obligations of landlords and tenants in British Columbia.
- Community legal advocates have requested that government consider amending this legislation to allow victims of domestic violence to end fixed-term tenancy agreements without penalty in order to flee domestic violence.

- A fixed-term tenancy is a tenancy where the landlord and tenant have agreed that the tenancy agreement will end on a specified, predetermined expiry date. A fixed-term tenancy agreement is also referred to as a lease.
- Currently, if a tenant breaks a lease they may be held liable for the balance of the rent for the remainder of the lease period and other costs incurred by the landlord to re-rent the unit.
- There are no provisions in the legislation allowing for a lease to be ended early for extenuating reasons, unless the landlord agrees.
- The Minister responsible for Housing, the Honourable Rich Coleman, has publicly committed to looking into this issue.

Work Completed to Date

- Staff from the Residential Tenancy Branch policy team have:
 - o reviewed the legislation, policies and processes of other provinces
 - o met with other provincial government ministries and Crown Agencies
 - o consulted with landlord and tenant groups
 and are now consulting with stakeholders on a proposed approach.

Policy Touchpoints

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Possible Policy Recommendations

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Considerations with respect to Aboriginal Women

- For the most part, tenancy agreements on reserve are not within the jurisdiction of the *Residential Tenancy Act* and *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Next Steps

- Identify the range of community professionals/members who will be accepted as third-party verifiers
- Provide advice to the Minister

Questions for the Joint Partner Table

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MOU SIGNING CEREMONY: June 13, 2014, 10:00am to 11:00am

Venue: Chief Joe Mathias Centre (100 Lower Capilano Road, North Vancouver)

Meet with Council 9:30am to 9:45am (Youth Centre)

Pre-brief 9:45am to 10:00am (Youth Centre)

Media Availability 11:00am to 11:15am (room TBC)

Seating arrangement:

- Two tables/chairs at the front with the podium in the middle.
 - Right (facing stage, R to L): Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, Kukpi7 Judy Wilson, Grand Chief Ed John, Robert Phillips, Cheryl Casimer, Leah George-Wilson and Ray Harris.
 - Left (facing stage, R to L): Shane Pointe (closest to the podium), Minister John Rustad, Premier Christy Clark, Regional Chief Puglaas, President Bruce Dumont, and Wendy Grant John.
- Two tables/chairs in second row with space in the middle behind the podium.
 - Right (facing stage, R to L): Marge White, Debbie Williams, Kim Baird, Sophie Pierre
 - Left (facing stage L to R): Chastity Davis, Mary Teegee, Charlene Belleau, Paulette Flamond, Minister Cadieux, MLA Jane Thornthwaite, Clara Morin-Dal Col

Runners: Jan Gottfred, Rachel Holmes, Tara Zwaan, Jodi Newnham, Corinna Fillion, two FNS staff.

1	9:30	Shane meets with Council	Youth Centre
2	9:45	Shane provides brief overview of the importance of the Witnessing Ceremony.	Youth Centre; Marge will assist.
3	10:00	Ray Harris introduces Wendy.	
4	10:01	Wendy provides opening remarks; introduces Shane.	
5	10:02	Shane acknowledges the Squamish Nation.	
6	10:03	Shane welcomes the individuals seated at the front (left to right): <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ President Bruce Dumont (MNBC)	Excludes Council members (as

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Shane Pointe

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Chief Puglaas (BCAFN) Premier Christy Clark (Province of BC) Honourable John Rustad (Province of BC) Grand Chief Stewart Phillip (UBCIC) Kukpi7 Judy Wilson (UBCIC) Grand Chief Ed John (FNS) Robert Phillips (FNS) Cheryl Casimer (FNS) Leah George-Wilson (FNS) Minister Stephanie Cadieux (Province of BC) MLA Jane Thornthwaite (North Vancouver-Seymour) Clara Morin-Dal Col (MNBC) <p>• We regret that Chief Bob Chamberlin (UBCIC) is unable to be with us today because of illness; we appreciate his willingness to sign the MOU in advance.</p>	Wendy will have introduced) and Ray Harris.
7	10:04	Shane calls the four Witnesses to stand and explains their work.	9 Council members will give a loonie to the four witnesses.
8	10:08	<p>Shane asks all the Chiefs and delegates to stand as Witnesses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> While only four Witnesses are being asked to speak, all of us have a responsibility to take what we hear, see, and feel back to our families and communities. 	9 Council members will ensure each Chief and delegate receives a loonie.
9	10:12	Shane asks all Chiefs and designates to sit after receiving a loonie from the Council.	
10	10:13	Shane invites the 9 signatories to sign the MOU	Signatories remain seated while signing; runners assist.
11	10:14	<p>Shane invites Chastity Davis and Marge White to the podium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marge is the Council's Elder; Chasity is the Council's Youth representative. 	Chastity reads the text of the MOU while the signing takes place.
12	10:18	Shane thanks all the signatories for committing to stopping violence against Aboriginal women and girls by signing the MOU.	

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Shane Pointe

13	10:18	Shane explains that one representative from each of the signatory organizations has been invited to speak. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We ask that everyone keep their remarks to three minutes. 	
14	10:18	Shane invites Premier Christy Clark, Province of British Columbia , to the podium. Shane thanks Premier Christy Clark.	
15	10:22	Shane invites Cheryl Casimer, First Nations Summit , to the podium. Shane thanks Cheryl Casimer.	
16	10:26	Shane invites Regional Chief Puglaas (Jody Wilson-Raybould), BC Assembly of First Nations , to the podium. Shane thanks Regional Chief Puglaas.	
17	10:30	Shane invites Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, Union of BC Indian Chiefs , to the podium. Shane thanks Grand Chief Stewart Phillip.	
18	10:34	Shane invites President Bruce Dumont, Metis Nation British Columbia , to the podium. Shane thanks President Bruce Dumont.	
19	10:39	Shane invites the signatories to stand so they can be acknowledged; Council is invited to gift the signatories with a blanket.	Marge will give Grand Chief Stewart Phillip a blanket for Chief Bob Chamberlin.
20	10:41	Shane invites the first Witness to speak: _____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We ask that the four Witnesses limit their remarks to four minutes. 	Kim Baird – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
21	10:47	Shane invites the second Witness to speak: _____	Mary Teegee – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
22	10:53	Shane invites the third Witness to speak: _____	Paulette Flamond – blanket. 9 Council

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Shane Pointe

			members will give a loonie to the Witness.
23	10:59	Shane invites the fourth Witness to speak: _____	Sophie Pierre – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
24	11:05	Shane invites 9 signatories, 9 members of the Council, 4 Witnesses, Minister Cadieux, MLA Jane Thornthwaite, and Clara Morin-dal Col to sign the banner to symbolize their commitment to stopping violence against Aboriginal women.	Everyone at the front goes to sign the banner, plus the four Witnesses. Photo opportunity – 25 people.
25	11:06	Concluding remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to everyone for their support – it is important that you take what you heard, saw and felt to your community so that we can work together to stop violence against Aboriginal women and girls. We all have a responsibility. • A special thank you to the First Nations Summit for including our ceremony on their agenda. 	
26	11:06	Distribution of gifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to the Minister's Advisory Council of Aboriginal Women for bringing all of us together today. • As we conclude our work today, members of the Council will offer you the following gifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A paddle to commemorate the day; the Council hopes that it will remind you of your responsibility in stopping violence. - A feather USB; this provides some information about the Council, including an incredibly powerful video about one of their initiatives to "Give Voice" to stop violence. - A Declaration; all of us here today have a responsibility to take action on this issue, not just the 	Will occur as signatories are signing the banner.

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Shane Pointe

		<p>MOU signatories. The Council invites you to take the Declaration back to your community to help you determine how you will contribute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please remain seated so the Council can distribute the gifts. 	
27	11:07	<p>Signing the banner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We ask all of you to sign the banner as you leave today. By signing your name, you commit to stopping violence against Aboriginal women and girls. 	
28	11:07	<p>Final comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On behalf of the Council, thank you to everyone who attended today's event. 	

Contact information (cell):

Colin Braker: s.22
Jodi Newnhan
Tara Zwaan:
Corinna Fillior
Shane Point:
Jan Gottfred: 1

Notes for MACAW – June 13, 2014

1. Timing/Duration

- All Council members are asked to arrive before **9:30am** in the Youth Centre so that Shane can be blanketed in advance of the ceremony.
- A pre-brief will occur at **9:45am** in the Youth Centre with all signatories and dignitaries.
- Council is asked to support Shane in keeping the ceremony flowing; the ceremony is scheduled from **10:00am-11:07**.

2. Witnesses

- All Council members give one loonie to each of the Witnesses when they are identified by Shane at the beginning of the ceremony.

3. Chiefs and designates

- Every Chief or designate will receive one loonie from a Council member.
- Shane will ask Chiefs/designates to stand: most Chiefs will be sitting around the table; some may be seated with the observers.
- Loonies will not be given to signatories or dignitaries who are not Chiefs (ie Premier Clark, Minister Rustad, President Dumont, etc).
- Shane will ask Chiefs and designates to sit after they receive one loonie so the Council will be able to easily identify who they need to approach.

4. MOU

- Shane will invite Chastity to read the MOU from the podium while it is being signed; Marge will stand next to her.

5. Signatories

- After the final signatory (President Bruce Dumont) has provided remarks, Shane will ask all nine signatories to stand.
- Council will gift each of the signatories with a blanket:
 - ❖ Grand Chief Stewart Phillip – **Marge White**
 - ❖ Chief Bob Chamberlin (via Grand Chief Stewart Phillip) – **Marge White**
 - ❖ Kukpi7 Judy Wilson – **Mary Teegee**
 - ❖ Grand Chief Ed John – **Debbie Williams**
 - ❖ Robert Phillips – **Kim Baird**
 - ❖ Cheryl Casimer – **Sophie Pierre**
 - ❖ Minister John Rustad – **Chastity Davis**
 - ❖ Premier Christy Clark – **Wendy Grant-John**
 - ❖ Regional Chief Puglaas - **Charlene Belleau**
 - ❖ President Bruce Dumont – **Paulette Flamond**

- Note: only signatories receive blankets; there will be some guests at the front of the room who do not receive a blanket.

6. Witnesses (after speaking):

- All Council members give one loonie to each witness after speaking.
- Each witness will also receive one blanket.
 - ❖ Witness #1- **Kim Baird**
 - ❖ Witness #2 – **Mary Teegee**
 - ❖ Witness #3 – **Paulette Flamond**
 - ❖ Witness #4 – **Sophie Pierre**

7. Banner and Group Photo Opportunity

- At the close of the ceremony, Shane will ask everyone at the front of the room (signatories, Council, guests) and Witnesses to sign the banner and participate in group photo.

8. Gifts

- Council members will distribute gifts to all attendees (paddles, USBs, Declaration); this will occur at the same time as the media availability.
 - ❖ Cart #1: **Kim, Mary, Wendy (Jan - runner)**
 - ❖ Cart #2: **Sophie, Marge, Paulette (Jodi/Corinna - runner)**
 - ❖ Cart #3: **Chastity, Debbie, Charlene (Rachel - runner)**

9. Media Availability

- Wendy to attend.

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II. TALKING POINTS

- Our government is committed to creating a legacy of safety for vulnerable women in B.C. by working to change the systemic issues that lead to this violence.
- The Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women was created to provide advice to government and other organizations on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women across British Columbia.
- We thank the Council for providing a set of recommendations to government for stopping violence against Aboriginal women.
- On MACAW's recommendation, we have signed a new memorandum of understanding with Aboriginal leadership confirming our shared commitment to end violence against Aboriginal women and girls.
- We are also acting on other recommendations, including funding the establishment of a Secretariat to support activities of the council and the goal of establishing a new Joint Partners' Table.

Comment [SM1]: Does not even close to summarize the key points and background. But that's all I've got from the Ios - so limiting.

I have a few other approved points on the FPT Framework and the inquiry if that's of interest

III. KEY POINTS AND BACKGROUND:

In addition to MARR, several ministries have mandates in this area, including Justice, Health, and Children and Family Development. Select highlights include:

Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women (MACAW)

- Founded in 2011 and chaired by Chastity Davis, MACAW is intended to provide advice to government on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women across BC. The ten council members have been re-appointed for a second two-year term to November 2015.
- The Council has developed a set of recommendations for government to implement to address violence against Aboriginal women and girls.
- Work is completed or underway on the 3 immediate actions the Council prioritized: signing the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls (MOU) with Aboriginal leadership on June 13, 2014, developing a Joint Aboriginal-Government Partners' Table and establishing a Secretariat to support the activities of the Council and the Joint Partners Table.

Comment [SM2]: Do you want a separate JPT/MOU section?

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- MACAW also put forward eight strategic directions with 27 recommendations. These recommendations will likely inform discussion at the Joint Partners' Table.
- On Dec. 20, 2014 it was confirmed 37 community-based agencies across B.C. will share close to \$350,000 in Giving Voice grants supporting activities providing a safe place to give voice to issues of violence, and mobilization, planning and action.

Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls Working Group

- MARR is the co-lead of the Aboriginal Affairs Working Group – Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls sub-committee. This Provincial/ Territorial/ National Aboriginal Organization sub-committee is working to develop a framework of action to end violence against Aboriginal women and girls.

Comment [SM3]: That's not the most up to date info is it?

National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

- MARR is the BC representative on the P/T/National Aboriginal Organization National Roundtable Planning Committee. The Roundtable is expected to occur on February 27, 2015 in Ottawa and will be an important opportunity for dialogue on coordinated action to prevent and address violence against Aboriginal women. MARR is also working with ministry partners (Justice, Children and Family Development and Health) to determine how BC can demonstrate its commitment to the Roundtable's priority focus areas of prevention and awareness, community safety plans and protocols, and policing measures/Justice responses.

Comment [SM4]: Can I replace with "to coordinate BC's involvement in the Roundtable." in the interest of space?

Provincial Office of Domestic Violence

- In February 2014, the Provincial Office of Domestic Violence released the Provincial Domestic Violence Plan. The three-year, \$5.5-million plan includes \$2 million to develop and deliver programs specifically for Aboriginal women, men and children affected by domestic violence and commits to including Aboriginal culturally responsive and holistic approaches throughout all of the actions

Ministry of Health – [HOLD – will insert Thursday]

Ministry of Justice [MARCIE]

- On February 6, 2015 the Province launched the Violence Free BC strategy Violence Free BC strategy and an investment of \$2.7 million in violence-free programming.
- This strategy is our path to creating a province where all women have the supports they need to help prevent violence, to escape from violent situations and to recover if they have been victims of crime.
- The Missing Women Commission of Inquiry released its final report in December 2014, which indicates that work is complete or underway on half of the original recommendations directed to the Province in 2012.
- B.C recently joined other federal, provincial and territorial justice ministers in releasing the draft justice framework report, "Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls", which helps lay the groundwork for a dialogue with Aboriginal communities and organizations.

Comment [SM5]: Haven't heard from Marcie yet (may well not). But this is what I pieced together. Not bad.

Addressing Violence Against Women – Overarching Vision

- The Ministries of Justice, Children and Family Development, and Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation are jointly developing a draft response framework to

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address violence against women in all of its forms, with a view to creating an overarching vision that applies across government and guides work in this area moving forward. Additionally, attention to the socio-economic factors associated with emerging industry and its impact on women, children and families needs to be considered.

- The Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation anticipates that this overarching vision will provide a foundation for a coordinated response to the recommendations in "Taking Action".

Comment [SM6]: Sorry, don't know anything about this piece

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MEETING MINUTES

Location: Rattenbury Room #139, Legislative Assembly of BC (501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC)

Date and Time: February 12, 2015 from 1:42 – 6:10 p.m.

Day 1 Attendees: MACAW: Paulette Flamond (Chair)*, Chastity Davis, Marjorie White (Elder), Lorna Williams, Debbie Williams, Barb Ward-Burkitt, Darlene Shackelly, Annita McPhee (Guest). Minister's Office: Honourable John Rustad, Carolyn Campbell, Mark Knudsen, Kit Sauder ~~Third Person~~
Research? MARR: Laurel Nash, Jan Gottfred, Jodi Newnham, Leslie Anne Paige. Secretariat: Lona MacKay (Recorder)

Regrets: Sophie Pierre, Mary Teegee

Date and Time: February 13, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Day 2 Attendees: MACAW: Paulette Flamond (Chair)*, Chastity Davis, Marjorie White (Elder), Lorna Williams, Sophie Pierre, Barb Ward-Burkitt, Darlene Shackelly. Minister's Office: Carolyn Campbell MARR: Jodi Newnham, Leslie Anne Paige. Secretariat: Lona MacKay (Recorder)

Regrets: Annita McPhee, Mary Teegee, Debbie Williams

Comment (NJ1): Need to confirm – there have been many changes with MO staff recently.

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1.	Welcome and Introductions – Paulette Flamond Feb. 12, 2015 1:42-2:20 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paulette invited attendees to introduce themselves and reflect on the Moose Hide Campaign if they participated/attended (MACAW's meeting was timed to coincide with the Moose Hide Campaign) - Attendees introduced themselves; guests (Laurel and Jan) welcomed; and new faces introduced (Annita welcomed as a new member; Lorna's first face-to-face meeting; Lona's first meeting with Council-as-a-whole; Leslie as a MARR Intern). Previous members who have resigned (Kim, Wendy and Charlene) were also acknowledged - Marjorie, Barb and Debbie were paid witnesses at the Moose Hide Campaign event. MACAW members expressed support for men taking the lead, as this is not just a "women's issue" - Laurel and Jan attended the 'Welcome and Introductions' portion of the meeting. Laurel as the acting ADM, and Jan, now retired, to thank the "amazing and inspirational" women of the Council with chocolate roses - Paulette gave Jan a hand-woven Cowichan shawl on behalf of MACAW as thanks for laying the ground work/working with the Council over the years 	-
2.	Review/approval of agenda package/ Minutes Feb. 12, 2015 2:20 2:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi added agenda item: Minister's Visit – 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. - Informal dinner reservation moved to 6:00 p.m. 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda and November 4, 2014 MACAW meeting minutes approved by consensus

Paulette Flamond Chaired for Chastity Davis due to laryngitis

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3.	<p>Member Resignation/ Recruitment</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 2:30 – 2:55 p.m.</p> <p>Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10.00 a.m.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: attended meetings with the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition and Métis Nation BC. Both asked about MACAW's appointment/approval process, Coalition asked if they could provide names - Darlene: how are people chosen for MACAW? By Council? Minister? As Council, should recognize Wendy, Charlene and Kim/send thank you letters. Understanding is that there are no 'mandated' positions on Council; Council is comprised of women leaders representative of <i>all</i> women; no political bodies—should be able to say that as a Council - Barb: agreed with Darlene. Emphasize that the Minister appoints and that the Council is not representative of individual groups but 'as women' - Annita: past experience as President of Tahltan Tribal Council demonstrated that one small group can overtake the agenda - Marjorie: agreed that MACAW agenda could be overtaken by an individual entity; recommended appointments are made on the basis of overall involvement vs. membership in a particular organization - Jodi: provided brief overview of appointment process to date—former Minister Polak asked Wendy Grant-John to Chair. Staff provided a list of names/bios selected on the basis of 'individual women' as leaders in their communities, insight and wisdom vs. organizational representation. Wendy and the Minister initially chose nine women. One was a non-Aboriginal woman from the downtown east side; east side organizations raised being non-Aboriginal as an issue and the woman stepped down. It was determined that Youth and Elder representation was also required and Council membership increased to 10. Council appointment is subject to the Minister's prerogative and due diligence performed by the Board Resourcing and Development Office (BRDO) - Darlene: Minister should consult with the MACAW Chair to prevent any political fall-out; MACAW knows the community - Chastity: has been meeting with the Minister on a monthly basis to build trust; the relationship has been evolving; had more input with Annita - Jodi: will reiterate with MNBC/Coalition that the MACAW does not represent political organizations or Nations. Names can be put forward; they won't be excluded. Will keep their names on a running list - Lorna: emphasized that membership is based on Ministerial appointment - Paulette: individuals are considered 'youths' until age 36; recommended Chastity (age 32) continue filling the youth rep position <p>Recap: Member recognition/resignation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minister sent letter/scarves to Wendy and Charlene - Invite Kim Baird to the Strategic Planning dinner/MACAW to present gift - s.22 	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chastity to continue as MACAW's Youth representative (in addition to being Chair) <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: generate/send thank you letter to Kim on behalf of Minister/MACAW • MACAW Chair: invite Kim Baird to the Strategic Planning dinner; coordinate gift from MACAW members • MARR: forward any names provided by the Coalition for the Minister's consideration/keep names on a running list <p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments to the MACAW are made on the basis of overall involvement vs. membership in a particular organization/Nation • Minister consults/dialogues with MACAW Chair regarding recommended candidates

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4.	<p>Meeting with the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition/ Implementing MWCI recommendations: <i>Missing Persons Act Regulations</i></p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 2:55 – 3:50 p.m.</p> <p>Recap: Feb.13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: lot of misconceptions about who we are, what is our authority, what we do, where we want to go. Coalition has a diverse membership—some support MACAW, some don't; wanted to know what MACAW is doing about Oppal Inquiry recommendations; wants to attend the next Council meeting; open to meeting with the Coalition for an hour - Chastity: regarding MACAW's position on holding a National Inquiry, informed the Coalition MACAW is comprised of members with diverse viewpoints and does not have a consensus position—some members support having one, others don't - Annita: has a couple of questions for the Coalition. Issues of downtown east side are different than northern issues—supports meeting with them - Darlene: if MACAW is not the body looking into Oppal Inquiry recommendations, who is? It has been five years - Jodi: will check with relevant Ministries (e.g. Justice, Transportation) on status of implementation of Oppal recommendations - Annita: include 'specific' recommendations, such as provision of a shuttle bus (Recommendation #1 in Highway of Tears Symposium Report, appended to the Oppal Commission's Standing Together, Moving Forward Report) <p>Day 2 recap:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb: what have we done on the Oppal recommendations? Revisit MACAW's involvement (are there recommendations pertinent to MACAW's mandate?) - Marjorie: it was stated at the Coalition meeting that it was MACAW's role to advocate for Oppal recommendations. Bring the Oppal recommendations to MACAW's table and determine which Ministries are working on advocating for implementation; get Justice back at the table to discuss status of implementation <p>National Inquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marjorie: would rather money went to communities vs. another inquiry; haven't heard from all the families—what can be done to heal people? - Darlene: supports a National Inquiry because it's about police and needs to be national in scope to ensure anyone who targets Aboriginal women is going to jail; need more exposure/press about the issue, which is systemic. Need to address systemic racism 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition to MACAW's next meeting in June in Vancouver for one hour • MARR: check with relevant Ministries regarding status of implementation of Oppal Inquiry recommendations (including specific recommendations)/ associated outcomes (return on investment) • Secretariat: check if/where Oppal recommendations align with MACAW's mandate to see whether there is any role for MACAW • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wannamaker) to next MACAW meeting to discuss status of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Justice's response to Marcia Dawson's report - Oppal Inquiry recommendations - MWCI recommendations - FPT Draft Justice Framework - 4 Justice Summits - Violence Free BC Strategy - Implementation of PODV's Provincial Domestic Violence Plan - Continued need for an Aboriginal-specific review of the Justice system

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5.	MACAW's Role Feb. 12, 2015 3:00-3:50 p.m. Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: need clearer discussion on how MACAW (Chair/individual members/MACAW-as-a-whole) advises government; MACAW is not a 'one stop shop' or replacement for community consultation. • Selected Darlene/Mary to meet with Justice to provide input into Missing Person Regulations for three hours (Mary unable to attend). MARR (Jodi) and the Secretariat (Lona) also contributed to the discussion>>does this constitute "consultation"? • MACAW members provided input into Justice's draft Violence Free BC Strategy. Justice can now say they've sought Aboriginal input - Paulette: who is MACAW advising? MACAW's Terms of Reference specify 'government'; if so, should MACAW be the Premier's vs. 'Minister's' Advisory Council? - Marjorie: perception that MACAW reports only to MARR; need to be talking with other Ministries who deal with the violence issue - Barb: violence extends across many different sectors—need to look at inter-Ministerial—working at all levels - Debbie: MACAW's role is to liaise with and influence change across Ministries—what Kim Baird described as "information by fire hose" - Lorna: MACAW advises government through MARR; MARR interacts/interfaces with other Ministries vs. Premier's office. Each Minister/MACAW Chair comes with a different relationship and understanding <p><u>MACAW's Role Recap:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paulette: there are never any dollars behind initiatives; you can't move without resources; need to advocate/build pathways toward resources - Lorna: when forces come together, things move fast; need to be prepared for opportunities; ensure that when we're together, we focus/do the work we're here to do - Chastity: we know the problems; we need to focus on the solutions - Lorna: we need to influence what Ministries do; this needs to be in the Strategic Plan. How willing/prepared are Ministries to take the advice of MACAW? How is government taking MACAW's advice? <i>That's</i> a performance measure. How do we measure success? By what each of the Ministries is doing - Darlene: we also need to keep in the loop with FNLC - Chastity: MACAW gives advice/builds partnerships with government. Identify Ministries to target/hold roundtables with to discuss what communities/MACAW want to see - Paulette: hold 2 day meetings with dialogue - Darlene: have met with Ministers to discuss budgets/initiatives—what are the outcomes? - Jodi: recommended action—1. Track recommendations; 2. Track activities; 3. Track outcomes of MACAW/Government recommendations/activities - Paulette: need a brochure about MACAW, with quotes (action item in Communication Plan/tab 13 agenda package) - Barb: need a timeline for benefit of new members (draft timeline generated for use in reporting and communications; included in Communication Plan/tab 13 agenda package) 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat/MARR: develop system to track: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recommendations; 2. Activities; 3. Outcomes of MACAW/ Government recommendations/ activities • MACAW/MARR: identify Ministries to target/hold roundtables with based on tracking system <p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW's advisory role (how MACAW provides advice/how government uses that advice) • Tracking MACAW's input/outcomes (tracking MACAW's influence) • Keeping in the loop with Ministries, MOU signatories, etc. • Updating MACAW's Terms of Reference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does advice from MACAW look like? - What work is the Ministry doing? - What resources are needed? - Moving forward with recommendations leading to action

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5.	MACAW's Role cont'd Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.	<p>- Lorna: MACAW has a very broad mandate and equally broad scope of work. Many Ministries are actively dealing with issues. Indigenous population is spread across the Province. Even understanding scope of work is big, complicated further by a fragmented silo-ed vs. holistic and integrated approach. Is involved in revitalization of Indigenous languages within individual/family/community/Nation/government/institutional framework—is looking at <i>what are the efforts, resources, drivers that move this work along. How did we get here?</i> Why doesn't society value languages? Why are Aboriginal women so devalued/not valued? Liked the suggestion of assessing recommendations that have already been made.</p>	
6.	<p>Violence Free BC (Justice, MCFD, MARR)</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 3:00-3:50 p.m. (discussed during item #5)</p> <p>February 13, 2015 12:50 – 12:55 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Racism (or, more specifically, Anti-Indigenism):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Darlene: what happened to Marcia Dawson's report ("Changing Seasons—Changing Lives: A Comprehensive Plan to End Domestic Violence for Aboriginal people in BC)? It was never incorporated into Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy, which is not Aboriginal-specific - Jodi: Marcia Dawson of MCFD's Domestic Violence Unit drafted an Aboriginal-specific domestic violence strategy. The decision was made to have one domestic violence strategy; can't remember response of Lynda Cavanaugh (Justice ADM, Community Safety & Crime Prevention Branch) to Marcia's report (MCFD's had distributed a draft/asked for feedback). Could ask Lori Wanamaker (Deputy Solicitor General, Justice) to attend MACAW's next meeting to discuss - Chastity: MACAW is about breaking down silos and systemic racism within government; Minister Rustad (MARR), MCFD and Justice are committed to meeting with MACAW. MACAW's recommendations with respect to Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy were rejected; Minister Rustad spoke with Justice on behalf of MACAW and MACAW's recommendations were still rejected - Jodi: gov't staff incorporated MACAW's feedback into wording but Premier's office rejected - Annita: attended 4th Justice Summit; there was a level of resistance to Aboriginal input - Darlene: how are Ministries coordinating? Each is pursuing its own strategy/funding its own initiatives vs. effectively addressing Aboriginal issues (such as holding an Aboriginal Justice Summit); send decision-makers to MACAW's forum - Paulette: could allocate \$50,000 forum funding to host an Aboriginal Justice Forum - Lorna: thanked Darlene for pointing out Marcia Dawson's report; need to shift the way government/institutions regard Aboriginal care. Racism/discrimination are never pointed out; white middle class is represented in blanket BC strategies, in public radio, the way documents are written and misrepresented/don't represent Aboriginal people, ensuring Aboriginal people continue to be disabled; hence, Marcia's document couldn't be used. MACAW needs to change the way policies/strategies are put forward and how Aboriginal people are reflected in documents <p>MACAW Chair (Chastity) recap for Sophie (late arrival):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formalizing relationship with Violence Free BC—who else are they consulting with? What are they discussing with MACAW? 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wanamaker) to next MACAW meeting in June to discuss status of Justice's response to Marcia Dawson's report (see item #4 Action item) <p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Item re: "MACAW's Role":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW is about breaking down silos and systemic racism within government • MACAW needs to change the way policies/strategies are put forward and how Aboriginal people are reflected in documents <p>Forum discussion item: Send decision-makers to MACAW's forum</p>

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7.	Meeting Schedule Feb. 12, 2015 4:05 – 4:35 p.m.	<p><u>Strategic Planning Session (SPS):</u> (Annita away Apr. 13-25, '15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date: April 30 – May 1, 2015 in Vancouver - Suggested facilitators: Cheryl Brooks facilitated last Strategic Planning Session; other facilitators: Carol Anne Hilton (#1), Monique Gray Smith (#2), Marcia Dawson, Tamara Goddard, Bev O'Neill - Suggested locations: Musqueam First Nation; First Nations Leadership Council Office; Native Courtworker and Counselling Assoc. of BC office (207-1999 Marine Drive, N. Vancouver above Staples) <p><u>MACAW meetings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friday, June 12, 2015 in Vancouver in Premier's Office; Oct and Feb meetings pending further discussion at Strategic Planning Session 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Planning Session: April 30 – May 1, 2015 at Native Courtworker and Counselling Association of BC in N. Van • Next MACAW meeting: June 12, '15 at Premier's Office (Vanc.) <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: confirm whether Carol Anne Hilton (#1) can facilitate SPS; if not, Monique Gray Smith (#2)
BREAK – 3:50 – 4:05 p.m.			
8.	Joint Partners' Table/MOU Anniversary – Update and Discussion Feb. 12, 2015 4:35 – 5:15 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: technical staff and elected representatives Coola Louis (UBCIC) and Clara Morin-Dal Col (MNBC) have met a few times; in the interest of building trust, the Minister sent a letter attaching an embargoed copy of Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy to MOU signatories (as requested at the last JPT meeting on Jan. 21, '14 in Vancouver) - Lorna: First Nations Leadership Council (FNLC) does not represent 60% of off-reserve/urban Aboriginal people - Barb: a large percentage of people are not represented in the MOU - Jodi: the decision was made to have only recognized political organizations sign; Friendship Centres, being non-political, were not represented - Darlene: need to identify/develop a framework for "off reserve" and "urban" Aboriginal women and girls; need to make the Declaration more inclusive; also address in the forum - Lorna: appreciate the explanation regarding 'signatories'; focus on urban Aboriginal women in the Strategic Planning Session - Chastity: in the interest of building rapport, met with MNBC on Jan. 30th; Chastity, Annita and Marjorie will be meeting with FNLC on March 9th - FNLC has pro-actively established stakeholder group meetings (cross-Ministry/organizations; sharing of documents, etc.) Who said this? – Darlene? - Darlene: see how MACAW can be included in FNLC stakeholder group meetings <p>One-Year Anniversary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: tie in the Declaration - Annita: one-year anniversary of MOU—what is the status of accomplishments under the MOU? If no budget is attached, then it's just a 'promise' <p>Accountability Framework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb: sought clarification regarding Accountability Framework - Jodi: Accountability Framework is about accountability of signatories. MARR developed/provided the first draft to MOU signatories; MOU signatories (FNLC) submitted a 2nd draft (provided in Tab #5 of agenda package); signatories still don't understand MACAW's role 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: see if MACAW can be included in FNLC Stakeholder Group Meetings • MARR: provide MACAW's initial feedback regarding the draft Accountability Framework at the next JPT meeting • MACAW (Chastity/Marjorie/Annita) discuss MOU at FNLC meeting on March 19, 2015; discuss what's happening in communities? What advice do the Chiefs have for MACAW? • MARR: speak with contact regarding Off-Reserve Aboriginal Action Plan Strategy <p>Minister's Action Item (#10):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: encourage MOU signatories at the MOU Anniversary to support a Moose Hide Campaign event in their respective community/Nation

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8.	<p>Joint Partners' Table/MOU Anniversary – Update and Discussion cont'd...</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Recap: Partnership Table:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: Accountability Framework (UBCIC draft)—MACAW placed at technical working group level; limited to MOU signatories (does not address 60% off-reserve Aboriginals); expanded # of Ministries - Jodi: doesn't see MACAW at the technical working group level; more about 'relationship building' - Chastity: will respectfully remind signatories that MACAW, led by Wendy, initiated the MOU process - Lorna: perception that MACAW will get things done; MACAW can support, but cannot do the work. MACAW's role is to provide advice to government, not undertake the work of the technical working group - Barb: work undertaken on behalf of MACAW (MOU/relationship building) should be attributed to "MACAW" as an organization vs. "individual" MACAW members. Engagement in the MOU implementation process needs to happen on MACAW's terms - Marjorie: 60% needs to be recognized within MOU framework - Sophie: concerned that an agreement including only political bodies won't get the job done vs. 'on the ground', which was why MACAW was formed. MACAW has been at both the political and technical levels - Marge: wants an update from Chiefs on what they've done at the local level to address the issue (e.g. any committees?) - Lorna: purpose of MOU and MACAW's place in it? MACAW is an advice-giving body—therefore, what advice do Chiefs have for MACAW? What's happening in communities? Urban areas? No mechanism for urban piece? - Barb: MOU is specific to signatories. MACAW needs a separate off-reserve strategy - Jodi: 2011 Speech from the Throne referenced the Off-Reserve Aboriginal Action Plan—MOU with Friendship Centres, etc. to address 78% Aboriginal off-reserve population. The federal Urban Aboriginal Youth Strategy (Duncan, Kamloops, PG, Vancouver, Surrey) focused on youth/employment/skills training; violence <i>could</i> be added, but not at present - Lorna: <i>who</i> is considered "off-reserve"?—status Indians living off-reserve? Or all urban/rural status and non-status, Inuit and Métis people? - Barb: labelling is what has divided us as a people 	<p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of an off reserve/urban Aboriginal framework/strategy <p>Forum discussion item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify framework for needs of off-reserve/urban Aboriginal women and girls
9.	<p>Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (AAWG) National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, February 27, 2015 in Ottawa</p> <p>5:16-5:50 p.m.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initially proposed delegation of 10 people from BC • Premier has limited BC's delegation to seven (Minister's Office, MARR, Justice, MACAW, JPT, family member) • National Roundtable Agenda has been developed (provided by Jodi at meeting) • Province/Territories will be providing budget for events/travel • Health support workers will be available to support family members • Carleton University hosting/facilitating a People's Gathering on Fri. Feb. 27th (to be webcast/reported) • Federal government has confirmed its participation—Minister Leitch (Status of Women) and Minister Valcourt (AANDC); political leaders, NAOs and family members also in attendance 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW Chair (Chastity) to attend National Roundtable • MARR: Jodi to speak with Mary regarding participation of BC family members

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9.	<p>Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (AAWG) National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, February 27, 2015 in Ottawa cont'd... 5:16-5:50 p.m.</p> <p>February 13, 2015 12:55 – 1:05 p.m. 'Member Updates' discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annita: expressed concern regarding representation of Aboriginal people at Roundtable; mostly government for one day—what is going to be accomplished? No justice by having just one family rep attend from each Province. Withdrew name from attending—cannot have MACAW attached to things like a Roundtable vs. initiatives like Justice Summits where funding is attached and things get done; attach real funding to these initiatives; otherwise, don't bother - Chastity: acknowledged Annita's frustration; it's about incremental change, recognizing the work that's been done (Secretariat; Giving Voice) and still needs to get done (e.g. breaking down silos, changing policy, advocating for more resources to get things done)—MACAW needs to be at the Roundtable - Paulette: needs to be done in the right way; advocate for more; can't be silent; need to communicate and build relationships —make change, call them out, speak out, be honest, walk the talk - Roundtable discussion to include 60's scoop lawsuit item (who mentioned this?) <u>Sorry – not sure.</u> - Sophie: how can we bring in the investment made on inquiries? What is the return? 	<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess return on investment of inquiries
10.	<p>Minister's Visit</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 5:50-6:00 p.m.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Roundtable: federal participation important; not attending Feb. 26th/attending Feb. 27th; attendance of family members from each Province—will have to address if an issue - tremendous amount of work needs to be done; MACAW needs to be fully engaged; will keep pushing to get support - opportunities for conversation/engagement through Moose Hide Campaign/Giving Voice activities - Paulette: acknowledged Minister's support for Moose Hide Campaign; need to challenge both Aboriginal/non-Aboriginal leaders in each community - Annita: with no funding attached, what's the status of the MOU? - Minister Rustad: Secretariat funded (Nov. '14-Mar. '15); Giving Voice (\$400,000); \$2 million commitment in the Provincial Domestic Violence Plan - Marjorie: work is also being done by others in that area, such as the Council to Reduce Elder Abuse (in which Marjorie is a member) - Minister Rustad: how do we actually implement actions to address the issue? The Moose Hide Campaign is a good vehicle to hold men accountable; MOU Anniversary a good opportunity to inform/educate people; encourage Chiefs to support Moose Hide event in their community/Nation - Paulette: need to provide funding to support such initiatives - Minister Rustad: need broad-based support by leadership (did Minister Rustad specifically address the issue of funding? I didn't have anything in my notes on this) <u>I don't think so.</u> - Lorna: 60% of Aboriginal people aren't represented; strongly urge finding ways to be more inclusive - Minister Rustad: could partner with Friendship Centres 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW Chair (Chastity) to follow up with Minister post-meeting • MACAW: encourage MOU signatories at the MOU Anniversary to support a Moose Hide Campaign event in their respective community/Nation (included as action in item #8)

Comment [NJA2]: Is this for the Council to follow-up?

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10.	Minister's Visit cont'd... Feb. 12, 2015 5:50-6:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: powerful to have grassroots level involvement; is being discussed at this meeting; will follow up - Minister Rustad: what about engaging church groups? - Lorna: recommend parking this idea because it was initially members of the church who perpetrated violence in Aboriginal communities. The issue of violence crosses many Ministries/organizations; what's the Minister's role in breaking down silos (how are all areas, such as Justice, Health and Education addressing the issue?) - Minister Rustad: acknowledged need to expand to other areas beyond Justice, MCFD and MARR - Lona: inquired whether the Minister perceives the Secretariat as being an 'individual' or an 'organization', as this has implications for adequate provision of support to MACAW (communications (internal/external), administration, planning (strategic, event), reporting, research, etc.) - Minister Rustad: MACAW's role needs to be discussed further with the Council - Minister Rustad: riding includes 300 km of Highway 16 between Prince George and Houston; 13 First Nations, 6 communities, transportation and services 	<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include "Secretariat" as an agenda item in the next meeting with the Minister
11.	4 th B.C. Justice Summit Nov. 28-29, 2014 Feb. 13, 2015 8:20 – 8:25 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annita: Justice will likely engage MACAW for the next Justice Summit; provided good Aboriginal input at 4th Summit - Darlene: report came out for the 2nd Justice Summit (Vision gaps analysis)—no movement on deliverables; the 4th Justice Summit was supposed to be on sex offenders—vocally supportive of 4th Justice Summit because it highlights the issue of violence against women; the 5th one is supposed to be on Children and Family - Jodi: could ask Justice to speak to Justice Summit recommendations after the 4th Justice Summit report comes out 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wannamaker) to next MACAW meeting to discuss status of four Justice Summits (see #4 Action Items)
12.	Provincial Office of Domestic Violence (PODV) Feb. 13, 2015 8:25-8:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: PODV has developed a 3-year strategy; however, government only commits dollars on an annual basis; no decision as to where the \$2 million allocated for Aboriginal-specific initiatives is coming from or where it's going to; ADM Beverly Dicks can seek Council's input to determine where dollars are spent 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MARR: provide updates to Council regarding the status of implementation of PODV's 3-year strategy
13.	Federal/Provincial/Territorial (FPT) Ministers Responsible for Justice and Public Safety Feb. 13, 2015 8:30-8:40 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: does Council feel that this is a useful process to contribute to? There are no dollars attached; implemented jurisdiction by jurisdiction; intended to address systemic issues within Justice 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MARR: invite Susan Hendricks (Director of Aboriginal Programs, Justice) to MACAW's next meeting in June 2015

Comment [NJA3]: I don't recall this – talking about the role of the Council is something we need to do with Minister, but role of secretariat is a conversation at the staff level.

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14.	Giving Voice Update Feb. 13, 2015 10:00-10:20 a.m.	<p>\$50,000 allocated for Oct/Nov 2015 forum; anticipate matching government/corporate funding; Giving Voice working group: Mary, Darlene, Paulette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sophie: not everyone got funded; lots of initiatives out there; what kind of support can go to on-the-ground community initiatives? - Jodi: what is MACAW's role? - Lorna: if title is "Giving Voice", how is this informing MACAW to do its job? This is MACAW's window as to how people are using their funding to address issues on the ground - Darlene: engaging communities in a non-threatening way—what was done? - Lona: evaluation form generated (tab #11.b in agenda package); issue of resourcing to properly evaluate initiatives (25 Stream 1 and 12 Stream 2 projects) - Sophie: over 160 (162) proposals received; too much work for a volunteer Council - Lona: MACAW Giving Voice working group requested opportunity to evaluate proposals - Paulette: it was a worthy undertaking - Jodi: 5% of Giving Voice budget was provided to Carrier Sekani Family Services to administer payments to Giving Voice recipients - Barb: project management can't be implemented by organization dispensing funding - Chastity: flag 'fund raising' offline discussion as an action item in the minutes - Darlene: would like a report on 1st Giving Voice—what was successful/what didn't work? - Jodi: a summary was generated for the first year of Giving Voice; will provide 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW to hold offline discussion regarding Giving Voice fund-raising • Secretariat: include 'Giving Voice' in June meeting agenda • MARR: forward first year Giving Voice summary to MACAW members <p>Forum discussion items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlighting outcomes of Giving Voice initiatives • Looking at ways to support on-the-ground community initiatives that did not receive any Giving Voice funding
15.	MACAW Forum 2015 Feb. 13, 2015 10:20-11:40 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: opportunity to showcase MACAW; obtain input; solution-oriented/best practices. Forum working group: Barb, Debbie, Chastity—open to others joining the sub-committee; possible partnership with forum on 'Leadership' (Cheryl Casimer/Deb Foxcroft/Michelle Cormier; Wendy Grant John no longer involved) - Paulette: 'leadership' doesn't align with MACAW forum objectives (e.g. techniques to improve lives; address inter-generational violence) - Sophie: focus on Giving Voice—issue of violence vs. justice (MACAW can have a 'supportive' role if Justice holds their own); exchange info; toolkit (online, etc.); build on investment already made - Barb: organizing the forum is not MACAW's role—need professional support; never been to a forum (MACAW's 1st forum) - Sophie: target to service providers; develop a toolkit for implementation in their communities; build good solid foundational support on the ground - Darlene: there is lots of federal funding available for health and wellness - Barb: whose role is it to raise funds? - Paulette: has implemented own "Walk in Balance" events (400 attendance), starts with \$0/each cost \$250,000; works with someone who knows industry/government; paid according to amount raised; hire a fundraiser—leverage \$50,000 to raise \$250,000; provincial/federal/industry have a wellness mandate; send out a proposal for someone to fundraise, organize the event, coordinate - Darlene: focus on Aboriginal resources to provide support (e.g. Katrina Harry) - Jodi: will look into generating an 'Expression of Interest'; contract to include fundraising, planning and implementation; to confer with finance re: contractor paid by commission - Lona: highlighted Tab #12(b) for further discussion respecting forum objectives/outcomes 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: generate "Expression of Interest" to hire an Aboriginal contractor to fundraise, plan and implement MACAW forum 2015 • MACAW: notify Chastity to join the forum sub-committee <p>Forum Objectives discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Showcase MACAW; obtain input; solution-oriented/best practices • Exchange info; toolkit • Target to service providers; develop a toolkit for implementation in their communities; build good solid foundational support on the ground

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16.	Communications Feb. 13, 2015 11:40-11:45 a.m.	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update MACAW group/activity photos for PowerPoint Presentation - Timeline makes the PowerPoint too long - Jodi: can tailor the PowerPoint to the audience - Paulette: ensure Co-Chair is briefed >> transfer of information from Chair. Chair/Co-Chair should work closely together—needs to be formalized 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: provide input/edits for PowerPoint • Update group/activity photos for communication purposes (at Strategic Planning Session) • Secretariat: formalize Chair and Co-Chair chain of communication (see Item #18) • MARR: download MACAW PowerPoint to website
17.	Annual Report Feb. 13, 2015 11:50-11:55 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona: generated Annual Report based on meeting minutes/agenda; also includes a 'Message from the Chair' and a time line (let Lona know if anything missed/needs revising); website links have been referenced where possible, as per government practice (to cut down on length/paper); require updated group photo; PowerPoint referenced as link in anticipation of being downloaded to MACAW website (see #16 action item) - Jodi: Annual Report ending March 31st aligns with government's fiscal timeline 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: provide feedback/input (especially re: "Next Steps") by end of February • MACAW Chair: provide input for 'Message from the Chair' • Secretariat: review draft Annual Report with Chair/obtain final approval from MACAW/MARR
18.	Organizational Feb. 13, 2015 11:55 am–12:35 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona: draft MACAW position descriptions and competency profiles were adapted from templates provided by the Government of Ontario: https://www.ontario.ca/search/search-results?external_tag=Agency+governance Notwithstanding MACAW is a government advisory agency, BC Government Human Resources is not involved; BC's Board Resourcing and Development Office (BRDO) is concerned only with the recruitment/appointment process (which input is reflected in MACAW's Mandate and Roles Document, provided in Tab #15a of the agenda package). The Council is therefore free to develop its own roles and responsibilities, including dispensing with the sample template entirely. The draft Standards of Ethical Conduct was generated based on a template provided on the BRDO's website. Marjorie had indicated previously (Nov. 26'14 conference call) that the Elder role was never explained. Research has also been conducted into Elder roles 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW/MARR/Secretariat: review/provide input/ finalize MACAW Mandate and Roles Document, Standards of Ethical Conduct, and Roles & Responsibilities (Competency Profiles/Position Descriptions), including Chair and Co-Chair interaction/communication • Include as agenda item in the next MACAW meeting in June

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19.	Updates for the MACAW Feb. 13, 2015 12:35 – 12:50 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leslie: provided overview of synopsis of Inter-American Commission on Human Rights Report - Paulette: the IACHR consulted MACAW for its report (Wendy Grant John, Kim Baird, Paulette Flamond, Mary Teegee, Charlene Belleau and Debbie Williams) - Chastity: who is IACHR? Brought up website (http://www.oas.org/en/about/who_we_are.asp)-- IACHR is the main political, juridical and social governmental forum for 35 independent states of the Americas) - Lona: a deliverable under the contract between the ONA and MARR is the status of recommendations in MACAW's "Taking Action" Report - Jodi: Leslie could assist Lona in determining the status of Taking Action recommendations - Jodi: under the Internship Program, interns work for government for 9 months and an organization the remaining 3 months; possibility of Leslie working for MACAW for remaining 3 months - Leslie: expressed interest in supporting MACAW for remaining 3 months of internship 	Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat/MARR: Leslie to assist Lona to determine status of "Taking Action" recommendations • MARR: Jodi/Leslie to follow up with Internship Program leads
20.	Council Member Updates Feb. 13, 2015 12:55 – 1:10 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: looking at funding a couple of MACAW members to attend the Burns Lake Forum (Lorna had expressed an interest in attending to learn more about the issue of violence against Aboriginal women); awaiting information; potential link between MACAW and Burns Lake Forum – possible development of a product/toolkit (police/municipal government/community as model for other communities) - Paulette: Amnesty International is coming to Fort St. John in April for 12 days to look into racism in the oil and gas industry; will be contacting coordinator to invite Minister - Jodi: CBC has requested an interview with Chastity to discuss MACAW and its position on the request for a National Inquiry into missing and murdered women; needs to be approved by the Minister's office - Chastity: position has been that MACAW is comprised of a diverse set of women from around the province with various opinions regarding the National Inquiry; have had several discussions but are not coming out with a position at this time (see Item #4 discussion) 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW's position on holding a National Inquiry: no opinion at this time Forum discussion item: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential link between Burns Lake Forum and MACAW Forum (toolkit)
21.	Closing Comments Feb. 13, 2015 1:10 – 1:15 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion: interactions with Minister need to be more structured/formalized vs. ad hoc and informal (as illustrated by the Minister's ad hoc/late arrival); MACAW is comprised of a group of Aboriginal women leaders volunteering their time to provide advice to a paid civil servant - Jodi: recommends communicating with Minister using a 'Briefing Note' format (issue/background/recommended action) 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW to communicate with Minister using a 'Briefing Note' format

Meeting of the Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women with Minister Rustad

February 12-13, 2015

February 12 from 1:30pm-5:00pm in the Rattenbury Room (#139)

		Notes
Mary Teegee	Council	TBC
Sophie Pierre	Council	
Darlene Shackelly	Council	
Paulette Flamond	Council	
Debbie Williams	Council	
Chastity Davis	Council	
Marge White	Council	
Barb Ward-Burkitt	Council	
Lorna Williams	Council	
Lona McKay	Secretariat	
Jodi Newnham	MARR	
Laurel Nash	MARR	
Leslie Anne Paige	MARR	
Jan Gottfred	Guest	
Annita McPhee	Guest	

Total = 14

February 13 from 8:00am-2:00pm in the Rattenbury Room (#139)

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Jodi Newnham	MARR	
Laurel Nash	MARR	
Leslie Anne Paige	MARR	
Annita McPhee	Guest	TBC

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Proposed Meeting Agenda

Date and Time: Friday, June 19, 2015; 8:00 – 5:00 pm (one day?)

Location: Premier's Office (location?)

Attendees: Council/MARR/Secretariat

1. Welcome/Opening Prayer. Review/approve agenda
2. Strategic Planning Session: recap; review/approval of Strategic Plan
3. Reporting – review/approval of Annual Report/Terms of Reference
4. MOU Joint Partners' Table (MACAW engagement):
 - a. Review of Relationship Chart/Terms of Reference/Action Plan
 - b. MOU Anniversary (JPT is scheduled to meet June 16 so this will just be an update)
 - c. BC Family Gathering
5. Meetings:
 - a. Justice/MCFD/MARR: VFBC Strategy
 - b. PODV (PVDP: input on \$1.5 million expenditure; Research re: inventory of Aboriginal domestic violence services; discussion re: *Aboriginal* Provincial Domestic Violence Plan) – TBC
 - c. Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition (National Inquiry; status of implementation of MWCI recommendations) Coalition would still like to meet with MACAW – confirmed with Andrea. Will suggest fall as I think best to have strat plan ready.
 - d. MCFD/Transportation (meetings tentatively scheduled for June 10th)
 - e. Housing? Health? SDSI? Educ/Advanced Educ? CSCD? JTST?
6. MACAW Initiatives:
 - a. Giving Voice – delegation/funding
 - b. Forum (Steering Committee/delegation/funding)
 - c. Off-reserve strategy
7. Secretariat Initiatives
 - a. Monitoring: submission of current 'status of implementation of Taking Action recommendations' table
 - b. Development of system to track/monitor requested/provided advice
 - c. Development of engagement/communications protocols
 - d. Implementation of communications strategy (e.g. ongoing PowerPoint/Timeline; communications contact list; evolution of website; generation of pamphlet; online calendar, SharePoint, etc.)
 - e. Organizational (policies & procedures etc.) and Board (roles & responsibilities etc.) development
 - f. Research projects (overview of provincial initiatives/opportunities for involvement; inventory of programs available to support Aboriginal women; analysis/summary of report recommendations; prevention/intervention etc. best practices)

Other:

- Meeting with MCFD program areas

- Meeting with RCY
- Invite Sue Hendricks - Justice

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WOMEN**

I. ISSUE: Violence against Aboriginal Women and Missing and Murdered Women

II. TALKING POINTS

- Our government is committed to creating a legacy of safety for all women in B.C. by working to change the systemic issues that lead to this violence.
- The Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women was created to provide advice to government on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women across British Columbia.
- We thank the Council for providing a set of recommendations to government for stopping violence against Aboriginal women.
- On MACAW's the Council's recommendation, we have signed a new memorandum of understanding with Aboriginal leadership confirming our shared commitment to end violence against Aboriginal women and girls.
- We are also acting on other recommendations, including funding the establishment of a Secretariat to support activities of the Council and the goal of establishing a new Joint Partners' Table.

Comment [SM1]: Can we just say establishing? It is established

III. KEY POINTS AND BACKGROUND:

In addition to MARR, several ministries have mandates in this area, including Justice, Health, and Children and Family Development. Select highlights include:

Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women (MACAW)

- Founded in 2011 and chaired by Chastity Davis, MACAW is intended to provide advice to government on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women across BC. The ten council members have been re-appointed for a second two-year term to November 2015.
- The Council has developed a set of recommendations for government to implement to address violence against Aboriginal women and girls.
- Work is completed or underway on the 3 immediate actions the Council prioritized: (1) signing the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls (MOU) with Aboriginal leadership on June 13, 2014; (2) developing a Joint Aboriginal- Government Partners' Table; and (3) establishing a Secretariat to support the activities of the Council and the Joint Partners' Table.

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- MACAW also put forward eight strategic directions with 27 recommendations. These recommendations will likely inform discussion at the Joint Partners' Table.
- On Dec. 20, 2014, 37 community organizations across B.C. were awarded close to \$350,000 in Giving Voice grants to support activities providing a safe place to give voice to issues of violence, and as well as mobilization, planning and action.

Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls Working Group

- MARR is the co-lead of the Aboriginal Affairs Working Group – Ending Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls sub-committee. This Provincial/ Territorial/ National Aboriginal Organization working group has developed the "Framework for Coordinating Action to End Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls".

National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

- The Roundtable is expected to occur on February 27, 2015 in Ottawa and will be an important opportunity for dialogue on coordinated action to prevent and address violence against Aboriginal women. MARR is also working with ministry partners (Justice, Children and Family Development and Health) to coordinate BC's participation in the Roundtable.

Provincial Office of Domestic Violence

- In February 2014, the Provincial Office of Domestic Violence released the Provincial Domestic Violence Plan. The three-year, \$5.5-million plan includes \$2 million to develop and deliver programs specifically for Aboriginal women, men and children affected by domestic violence and commits to including Aboriginal culturally responsive and holistic approaches throughout all of the actions.

Ministry of Health – [HOLD – will insert Thursday]

Ministry of Justice

- On February 6, 2015 the Province launched the Violence Free BC strategy and an investment of \$2.7 million in violence-free programming.
- This strategy is our path to creating a province where all women have the supports they need to help prevent violence, to escape from violent situations and to recover if they have been victims of crime.
- The Missing Women Commission of Inquiry released its final report in December 2014, which indicates that work is complete or underway on half of the original recommendations directed to the Province in 2012.
- B.C recently joined other federal, provincial and territorial justice ministers in releasing the draft justice framework report, "Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls", which helps lay the groundwork for a dialogue with Aboriginal communities and organizations.

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MEETING AGENDA

Date: February 12, 2015 from 12:30-5:00pm (lunch provided at 2:30pm; informal dinner afterwards)

February 13, 2015 from 8:00am – 2:00 pm (breakfast and lunch provided)

Location: Rattenbury Room #139, Legislative Assembly of BC (501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC)

Please note: Council members will need to come to security at the front of the Legislature. Members will be asked to provide ID to receive a visitor's pass. Please indicate you are meeting with Minister Rustad; security will direct you to the Rattenbury Room on the first floor. Contact: Jodi Newnham, 250-208-6970

DAY 1 – February 12, 2015

Time	Item/Activity	Update	Responsibility/ Speaker(s)	Agenda package materials
9:00-12:00	Moose Hide Campaign	-Annual Gathering of Men (Hotel Grand Pacific)	Optional event-	-
2:30-2:45	Welcome and Opening prayer	- Chastity met with Minister on Jan. 30, '15 in Vancouver - Minister to arrive immediately following Moose Hide Campaign on the steps of the Legislature from 1:30-2:30	Chastity Davis Marge White	-
2:45-2:50	Tab 1 Review/approval of agenda package/Minutes		Lona MacKay/ Jodi Newnham	a. Draft Nov. 4, 2014 MACAW Minutes b. Final Nov. 26, 2014 MACAW Conference Call Minutes
2:50-3:00	Tab 2 Member Resignation/ Recruitment	- Kim Baird has resigned from MACAW Recommended action: Discuss recommended candidate(s) for the Minister's consideration; Discuss requests from both MNBC and the Coalition for representatives on the Council.	Chastity Davis	a. Email: Kim Baird resignation b. Letter from Minister (pending)
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Comment [NJA1]: The Minister will be coming to the meeting from 1:30-2:30; we should reflect on the agenda after the opening. Also, that lunch will be served at 2:30pm. I

Comment [NJA2]: Chastity has asked me to inquire about the status of Annita's appointment with the Minister's Office; so I think this should be a more general discussion, that perhaps reflects the interest of both MNBC and the Coalition having representation. Let's chat more about this on Tues. Chastity has also asked if Annita can attend this meeting, even if all is not official. Am confirming with Minister's Office.

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	- Mary has also been invited – participation TBC	Recommendations d. Bill 3-2014 <i>Missing Person's Act</i>
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Comment [NJA3]: Won't be ready for the pkg; need to send to JPT first.

Comment [NJA4]: Leslie is finished her overview; will ask her to send.

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Comment [NJAS]: Are b and c the same doc?

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Comment [NJA6]: Just to let you know this could be very brief as I don't think we have any additional information – am confirming. Also, not sure which docs you are referencing in c and d?

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8:45-10:15	Tab 12	- Forum discussed at Jan. 21 st meeting with Chastity	Chastity Davis	a. Draft Forum 2015 Framework

Comment [NJA7]: Connie is off for a month/two.

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Comment [NJAS]: I suspect we won't need 45 minutes for this item (but I could be wrong!).

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MEETING AGENDA

Date: February 12, 2015 from 1:30-5:00pm (lunch provided at 2:30 pm; informal dinner afterwards)

February 13, 2015 from 8:00am – 2:00 pm (breakfast and lunch provided)

Location: Rattenbury Room #139, Legislative Assembly of BC (501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC)

Please note: Council members will need to come to security at the front of the Legislature. Members will be asked to provide ID to receive a visitor's pass. Please indicate you are meeting with Minister Rustad; security will direct you to the Rattenbury Room on the first floor. Contact: Jodi Newnham, 250-208-6970

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1:30-2:30	Meeting with Minister	- Chastity met with Minister on Jan. 30, '15 in Vancouver	Minister	
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MEETING AGENDA

Date: November 26, 2014 from 3:00-4:30pm

Location: Conference Call (1-877-353-9184, 8242478#)

Regrets:

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3:05-3:15	Discussion re: meeting with Minister on October 8, 2014	All	
3:15-3:20	Update on roles – Co-chair and Elder	Chastity Davis	
3:20-4:00	Outstanding business 1. Giving Voice – update and draft news release	Paulette Flamond, Darlene Shackelly, Barb Ward-Burkitt, Mary Teegee	Attached
	2. Forum – next steps	Barb Ward-Burkitt, Debbie Williams, Chastity Davis	
	3. Invitation from the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition (January 12, 2015) and attendance at future MACAW meeting	Jodi Newnham	
	4. Partners' Table – update	Jodi Newnham	Attached
	5. National Roundtable - update	Jodi Newnham	
4:00-4:20	Update from Secretariat 1. Workplan 2. Communication Strategy 3. Roles and Responsibilities 4. Partners' Table 5. Other?	Lona Mackay	Attached
4:20-4:25	Next meeting: • January 26-30? • February 2-6? Potential agenda includes: • Meeting with ministers in MARR, MCFD,	Lona MacKay	

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4:25-4:30	Closing comments/next steps	Chastity Davis	

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Attendance Confirmations – September 10, 2014

9:30-2:30pm

Name		Comments
Chair: Chastity Davis	YES	
Mary Tegee	YES	
Kim Baird	TBC	
Sophie Pierre	YES	
Darlene Shackelly	TBC	
Paulette Flamond	YES	
Debbie Williams	YES	
Marge White	YES	
Lorna Williams	NO	New appointee
Barb Ward-Burkitt	YES	New appointee
Staff		
Peter Cunningham, ADM	YES	
Jan Gottfred, Director	YES	
Jodi Newnham, Sr. Advisor	YES	
Rachel Holmes, ED	TBC	
Minister John Rustad	NO	
MO Staff	NO	
Catering		
Gutenberg Café/Edward		9:15, 12:15, and 2:30pm

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MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 10, 2014 from 9:30am-2:30pm

Location: 999 Canada Place, Executive Boardroom, Vancouver.

Attendees: Chastity Davis (Chair), Mary Teegee, Debbie Williams, Darlene Shackelly, Paulette Flamond, Marge White, Barb Ward-Burkitt

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CONFERENCE CALL/MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time: November 26, 2014 from 3:00-4:10 pm

Location: Teleconference: 1-877-353-9184; 8242478#

Attendees: Chastity Davis (Chair), Marge White (3:09 pm), Barb Ward-Burkett, Debbie Williams (3:09 pm), Lorna Williams, Sophie Pierre, Jodi Newnham, Lona MacKay (Recorder)

Regrets: Kim Baird, Paulette Fiamond, Darlene Shackelly, Mary Teegee

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1.	Welcome and Introductions—Chastity Davis	-	-
2.	Discussion re: meeting with Minister on October 8, 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: Council's first fulsome meeting with Minister Rustad; good start for relationship-building; has a lot of ideas about Council, but also set back and listened to input and vice versa; opportunity to push agenda in the New Year - Jodi: notwithstanding slow start with Minister, effort made to introduce Council to legislature; although missed being there for the Minister's Introduction of the Council in the legislature, they had the opportunity to meet with the Speaker; anticipate working more closely with the Minister in the coming months - Sophie: Minister expressed interest in and support of Council moving forward. As conceived by former Minister Mary Pollock, looking to Council to give advice on where to focus/what to bring forward with colleagues in Caucus - Margearet: agreed with Sophie. Dinner was also a good way to have a casual conversation; Minister receptive and supportive of Council's work and wants to ensure colleagues are informed about what the Council is doing 	-
3.	Update on roles – Co-Chair and Elder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: confirmed that Mary Teegee has agreed to Co-Chair—Mary has a wealth of knowledge working with women in northern communities; both Chastity's and Mary's leadership styles complement each other - Chastity: Inquired whether Jodi was going to follow-up with the Minister to revise Terms of Reference to include Co-Chair position - Jodi: advised Council wait until Roles & Responsibilities are defined and Terms of Reference updated and then deciding how formal or flexible they want the Terms of Reference to be - Chastity: has approached Marge for blessings and advice on moving forward with the Strategic Plan and agenda. There is a need to formalize Marge's role on the Council - Marge: When Chastity came on as the youth rep and she as the Elder rep, their roles were never explained. 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Co-Chair position established - Mary Teegee new Co-Chair <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona to Include Co-Chair role/formalize Elder's role in Roles & Responsibilities document and updated Terms of Reference for tabling at Jan/Feb meeting

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4.	Outstanding Business		
	a) Giving Voice – update and draft news release	<p>* Evaluation team unable to speak to Giving Voice due to project delays.</p> <p>Jodi:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explained that their fax machine malfunctioned on the Nov. 14th closing date. Some proponents sent their proposals by fax or email or both. They need to double-check to make sure no one is missed. Binders are still being assembled for the Evaluation Team; Lona's is being sent today (Nov. 26) to allow her to enter information from the proposals into a spreadsheet for the benefit of the entire Council. Jodi's, Leslie's and Lona's role will be to support the Evaluation Team in evaluating proposals - 170 applications received (vs. 120 last year) but 3x more funding (\$400K) this year. Proposals are condensed, which should make it easier for the Evaluation Team - Proposed Dec. 8-10 to evaluation proposals, with results communicated by December 15th - Inquired as to whether Council as a whole or the Evaluation Team (Darlene, Mary, Paulette) will make the final decision on successful applicants? - Sought Council's approval of (1) Content of Giving Voice press release generated by Ministry Communications (draft provided for meeting); (2) That press release will coincide with determination of successful applicants by Evaluation Team - Will flag any decisions that seem controversial/any dissatisfaction from communities (e.g. communities that did not complete their projects the last time were requested to return funding, although Jodi clarified that this resulted from extenuating circumstances) <p>Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council members present and not on the Evaluation Team unanimously indicated that they are not in a position to view all proposals and will accept the decisions of the Evaluation Team - Marge: keep everyone updated on progress/informed of results - Lorna/Barb: send a summary from last year (e.g. what was the trend for completion? If not, why not?) 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona to confirm availability of Evaluation Team Dec. 8-10 - Jodi will communicate results of evaluation by December 15th - Jodi will disseminate final copy of Giving Voice News Release to Council - Support staff will keep Council updated on progress/informed of results <p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support staff will not evaluate proposals - Evaluation Team will review proposals and make decisions - Council delegates final decision-making authority to the Evaluation Team - Council approves content of Giving Voice News Release - Council agrees that Giving Voice news release will coincide with Evaluation Team's final decisions - Jodi will provide Council with a summary of last year's Giving Voice project
	b) Forum – next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: October 2015 leaves 10 months to plan a forum across BC - Chastity, Barb, Debbie: put Forum on the agenda for Jan.'s meeting; need to discuss what's needed, logistics on theme/who to invite; fund-raising to supplement \$50K - Jodi: Jan spoke with Wendy Grant-John, Michelle Corfield, Deb Foxcroft, and Cheryl Casimer 4 weeks ago (names?); they are interested in holding an Aboriginal 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add "Forum" to January's meeting agenda - Jodi to make an initial call to see if objectives of May gathering align with Council's

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4.	Outstanding Business cont'd		
	c) Invitation from the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition (January 12, 2015) and attendance at future MACAW meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: mtg. planned for Dec. 1st was a bit early; need presentation/key talking points - Jodi: Andrea (Glickman?) indicated that UBCIC will be meeting again on Jan. 12th. They typically meet at the downtown eastside from 8-10 am - Chastity out of town Dec. 27-Jan. 16. Can Mary/others go? - January agenda quite full. Decision as to when to invite UBCIC to a Council meeting deferred until more information about meeting agenda/purpose is known, and whether it makes sense to meet two weeks after the initial meeting on January 12. 	Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi to confirm with Andrea Jan. 12th meeting of UBCIC/what they would like to hear from the Council - Council members to confirm with Chastity who is interested/available to present at Jan. 12th meeting
	d) Partner's Table Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: a draft Joint Partner's Table (JPT) accountability framework diagram was provided at the Nov. 7th JPT meeting. Only reps from UBCIC (Coola) and AFN attended. Council's request for a role in JPT process was brought forward/favourably met, as the Council is considered a part of the team through its advisory role with government. Council's role is reflected in the revised diagram. Signatories have been broadened to include 6+ Ministries. The diagram is currently back with leadership, who will convene again in December; MOU signatories are anticipated to put key decision points on the table at the Jan. meeting - Chastity: who from Council would be interested in sitting on the JPT? - Jodi: Can discuss at the January meeting - Chastity: requested Jodi keep the Council posted regarding JPT 	Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi to keep Council apprised of JPT activities - Include discussion of Council's involvement in JPT at meeting in January
	e) National Roundtable – update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (Premiers/Aboriginal leaders) met in Aug. '14 - Federal government interested in partnering at AAWG; formal letter to that effect pending - Roundtable scheduled next February 27, 2015 in Ottawa AAWG (whose Premier is the new AAWG Chair) - Provinces will be more involved over the next couple of weeks - Council representation likely not required initially at the first table, which will likely include a few key federal Ministers, Premiers and National Aboriginal organizations 	
5.	Update from Secretariat a) Work Plan b) Communication Strategy c) Roles and Responsibilities d) Partners' Table e) Other?	a) Workplan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona introduced herself as a new staff member of the Secretariat - The work of the Secretariat encompasses three primary functions: Planning, Reporting and Administration - A Secretariat work plan was tabled for discussion, encompassing deliverables from the Request for Proposal, Job Description, and discussions with Charlene and Jodi with respect to Council priorities (Jodi emailed the work plan to Council prior to the call) - The work plan is reflected in 2 docs structured according to "timeline" or "category" 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The timeline is prioritized according to explicit due dates contained in Schedule B of the RFP and priority tasks identified by Jodi and Chastity - The work plan provides the Council with an idea of what's on the Secretariat's plate, with timeliness subject to unanticipated and ad hoc issues/activities 	
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5.	Update from Secretariat cont'd	<p>b) Communication Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity has identified the need for a Communication/Response Strategy/Engagement Protocol to assist Council with presenting a unified message, responding to requests, engaging with external stakeholders etc. Tasks will include updating the website and generating a PowerPoint presentation. Lona has generated draft revised website intro text in preparation for the Giving Voice News Release, and has scheduled Dec. 2-5 to work on the Presentation and Dec. 22-Jan 2 to work on the Communication Strategy <p>c) Roles and Responsibilities: assignment of timeline pending. Acknowledged as a Council priority</p> <p>d) Partners' Table: MARR/Secretariat support functions with respect to the JRP TBD</p>	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona to generate an introductory PowerPoint presentation - Lona to draft a Communications Strategy

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<p>Next meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 26-30? February 2-6? <p>Potential agenda includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with ministers in MARR, MCFD, and Justice; Meeting with Coalition of Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition Meeting with MOU Signatories/Joint Partners' Table members Forum – discussion Other? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jodi: 3 Ministers/JPT signatories/Coalition will be invited to attend meeting in Dec/Jan; Ministers are working more closely together in addressing the violence agenda Council determined 1st day would be spent meeting with Ministers/JPT/Coalition (TBC); the 2nd day would be for a ½ day for Council business/Giving Voice update Lorna and Barb: OK with either week Marge: noted most meetings are being held in Vancouver <p>Jodi:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed dates coincide with Minister's availability (i.e. prior to sitting of the Legislature) Ministers more likely to be able to attend meetings in Victoria or Vancouver; there may also be travel considerations for the Coalition The meeting after could take place at a different location, such as PG or Fort St. John <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What value could be had by having meetings at various locations? What works for people's schedules? What would be the logistics around hosting a meeting? Communications: Which groups? Which programs and services? <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chastity: as Council won't see Jan in current role, proposed sending a thank you card/gift as a show of appreciation and support Discussion of what to give? (e.g. Paulette had obtained moccasins for Peter) <p>Justice Summit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chastity informed Council that she, Mary and Darlene will be attending a Justice Summit Nov. 28th – 29th They had to push really hard to include Aboriginal justice on the agenda. Aboriginal panelists include: Anita McPhee, Bev Jacobs, Paula Lacerte (sp?), Mary Teegee They anticipate sending recommendations to the Justice Summit on behalf of the Council. Lona has already drafted a preliminary letter in preparation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day 1: meeting with Ministers, Joint Partners Table, and Coalition Day 2: ½ day for Council business/ Giving Voice update Lona to email Council to confirm dates for January or February Chastity to follow up regarding card and gift for Jan Chastity, Mary and Darlene will provide a Justice Summit update to Council via email/verbally at the next meeting in Jan/Feb
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MEETING MINUTES

Location: Rattenbury Room #139, Legislative Assembly of BC (501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC)

Date and Time: February 12, 2015 from 1:42 – 6:10 p.m.

Day 1 Attendees: MACAW: Paulette Flamond (Chair)*, Chastity Davis, Marjorie White (Elder), Lorna Williams, Debbie Williams, Barb Ward-Burkitt, Darlene Shackelly, Annita McPhee (Guest). Minister's Office: Honourable John Rustad, Carolyn Campbell, Mark Knudsen, Kit Sauder, ~~Third Person~~
Research? MARR: Laurel Nash, Jan Gottfred, Jodi Newnham, Leslie Anne Paige. Secretariat: Lona MacKay (Recorder)

Regrets: Sophie Pierre, Mary Teegee

Date and Time: February 13, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Day 2 Attendees: MACAW: Paulette Flamond (Chair)*, Chastity Davis, Marjorie White (Elder), Lorna Williams, Sophie Pierre, Barb Ward-Burkitt, Darlene Shackelly. Minister's Office: Carolyn Campbell MARR: Jodi Newnham, Leslie Anne Paige. Secretariat: Lona MacKay (Recorder)

Regrets: Annita McPhee, Mary Teegee, Debbie Williams

Comment [NJA1]: Need to confirm – there have been many changes with MO staff recently.

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1.	Welcome and Introductions – Paulette Flamond Feb. 12, 2015 1:42-2:20 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paulette invited attendees to introduce themselves and reflect on the Moose Hide Campaign if they participated/attended (MACAW's meeting was timed to coincide with the Moose Hide Campaign) - Attendees introduced themselves; guests (Laurel and Jan) welcomed; and new faces introduced (Annita welcomed as a new member; Lorna's first face-to-face meeting; Lona's first meeting with Council-as-a-whole; Leslie as a MARR Intern). Previous members who have resigned (Kim, Wendy and Charlene) were also acknowledged - Marjorie, Barb and Debbie were paid witnesses at the Moose Hide Campaign event. MACAW members expressed support for men taking the lead, as this is not just a "women's issue" - Laurel and Jan attended the 'Welcome and Introductions' portion of the meeting. Laurel as the acting ADM, and Jan, now retired, to thank the "amazing and inspirational" women of the Council with chocolate roses - Paulette gave Jan a hand-woven Cowichan shawl on behalf of MACAW as thanks for laying the ground work/working with the Council over the years 	-
2.	Review/approval of agenda package/ Minutes Feb. 12, 2015 2:20 2:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi added agenda item: Minister's Visit – 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. - Informal dinner reservation moved to 6:00 p.m. 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda and November 4, 2014 MACAW meeting minutes approved by consensus

Paulette Flamond Chaired for Chastity Davis due to laryngitis

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3.	<p>Member Resignation/ Recruitment</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 2:30 – 2:55 p.m.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: attended meetings with the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition and Métis Nation BC. Both asked about MACAW's appointment/approval process, Coalition asked if they could provide names - Darlene: how are people chosen for MACAW? By Council? Minister? As Council, should recognize Wendy, Charlene and Kim/send thank you letters. Understanding is that there are no 'mandated' positions on Council; Council is comprised of women leaders representative of <i>all</i> women; no political bodies—should be able to say that as a Council - Barb: agreed with Darlene. Emphasize that the Minister appoints and that the Council is not representative of individual groups but 'as women' - Annita: past experience as President of Tahltan Tribal Council demonstrated that one small group can overtake the agenda - Marjorie: agreed that MACAW agenda could be overtaken by an individual entity; recommended appointments are made on the basis of overall involvement vs. membership in a particular organization - Jodi: provided brief overview of appointment process to date—former Minister Polak asked Wendy Grant-John to Chair. Staff provided a list of names/bios selected on the basis of 'individual women' as leaders in their communities, insight and wisdom vs. organizational representation. Wendy and the Minister initially chose nine women. One was a non-Aboriginal woman from the downtown east side; east side organizations raised being non-Aboriginal as an issue and the woman stepped down. It was determined that Youth and Elder representation was also required and Council membership increased to 10. Council appointment is subject to the Minister's prerogative and due diligence performed by the Board Resourcing and Development Office (BRDO) - Darlene: Minister should consult with the MACAW Chair to prevent any political fall-out; MACAW knows the community - Chastity: has been meeting with the Minister on a monthly basis to build trust; the relationship has been evolving; had more input with Annita - Jodi: will reiterate with MNBC/Coalition that the MACAW does not represent political organizations or Nations. Names can be put forward; they won't be excluded. Will keep their names on a running list - Lorna: emphasized that membership is based on Ministerial appointment - Paulette: individuals are considered 'youths' until age 36; recommended Chastity (age 32) continue filling the youth rep position <p><u>Recap: Member recognition/resignation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minister sent letter/scarves to Wendy and Charlene - Invite Kim Baird to the Strategic Planning dinner/MACAW to present gift - s.22 	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chastity to continue as MACAW's Youth representative (in addition to being Chair) <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: generate/send thank you letter to Kim on behalf of Minister/MACAW • MACAW Chair: invite Kim Baird to the Strategic Planning dinner; coordinate gift from MACAW members • MARR: forward any names provided by the Coalition for the Minister's consideration/keep names on a running list <p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments to the MACAW are made on the basis of overall involvement vs. membership in a particular organization/Nation • Minister consults/dialogues with MACAW Chair regarding recommended candidates
	<p>Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10.00 a.m.</p>		

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4.	<p>Meeting with the Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition/Implementing MWCi recommendations: <i>Missing Persons Act Regulations</i></p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 2:55 – 3:50 p.m.</p> <p>Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: lot of misconceptions about who we are, what is our authority, what we do, where we want to go. Coalition has a diverse membership—some support MACAW, some don't; wanted to know what MACAW is doing about Oppal Inquiry recommendations; wants to attend the next Council meeting; open to meeting with the Coalition for an hour - Chastity: regarding MACAW's position on holding a National Inquiry, informed the Coalition MACAW is comprised of members with diverse viewpoints and does not have a consensus position—some members support having one, others don't - Annita: has a couple of questions for the Coalition. Issues of downtown east side are different than northern issues—supports meeting with them - Darlene: if MACAW is not the body looking into Oppal Inquiry recommendations, who is? It has been five years - Jodi: will check with relevant Ministries (e.g. Justice, Transportation) on status of implementation of Oppal recommendations - Annita: include 'specific' recommendations, such as provision of a shuttle bus (Recommendation #1 in Highway of Tears Symposium Report, appended to the Oppal Commission's Standing Together, Moving Forward Report) <p><u>Day 2 recap:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb: what have we done on the Oppal recommendations? Revisit MACAW's involvement (are there recommendations pertinent to MACAW's mandate?) - Marjorie: it was stated at the Coalition meeting that it was MACAW's role to advocate for Oppal recommendations. Bring the Oppal recommendations to MACAW's table and determine which Ministries are working on advocating for implementation; get Justice back at the table to discuss status of implementation <p><u>National Inquiry:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marjorie: would rather money went to communities vs. another inquiry; haven't heard from all the families—what can be done to heal people? - Darlene: supports a National Inquiry because it's about police and needs to be national in scope to ensure anyone who targets Aboriginal women is going to jail; need more exposure/press about the issue, which is systemic. Need to address systemic racism 	<p><u>Actions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Murdered and Missing Women's Coalition to MACAW's next meeting in June in Vancouver for one hour • MARR: check with relevant Ministries regarding status of implementation of Oppal Inquiry recommendations (including specific recommendations)/ associated outcomes (return on investment) • Secretariat: check if/where Oppal recommendations align with MACAW's mandate to see whether there is any role for MACAW • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wannamaker) to next MACAW meeting to discuss status of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Justice's response to Marcia Dawson's report - Oppal Inquiry recommendations - MWCi recommendations - FPT Draft Justice Framework - 4 Justice Summits - Violence Free BC Strategy - Implementation of PODV's Provincial Domestic Violence Plan - Continued need for an Aboriginal-specific review of the Justice system

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5.	MACAW's Role Feb. 12, 2015 3:00-3:50 p.m. Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: need clearer discussion on how MACAW (Chair/individual members/MACAW-as-a-whole) advises government; MACAW is not a 'one stop shop' or replacement for community consultation. • Selected Darlene/Mary to meet with Justice to provide input into Missing Person Regulations for three hours (Mary unable to attend). MARR (Jodi) and the Secretariat (Lona) also contributed to the discussion>>does this constitute "consultation"? • MACAW members provided input into Justice's draft Violence Free BC Strategy. Justice can now say they've sought Aboriginal input - Paulette: <i>who</i> is MACAW advising? MACAW's Terms of Reference specify 'government'; if so, should MACAW be the Premier's vs. 'Minister's' Advisory Council? - Marjorie: perception that MACAW reports only to MARR; need to be talking with other Ministries who deal with the violence issue - Barb: violence extends across many different sectors—need to look at inter-Ministerial—working at all levels - Debbie: MACAW's role is to liaise with and influence change across Ministries—what Kim Baird described as "information by fire hose" - Lorna: MACAW advises government through MARR; MARR interacts/interfaces with other Ministries vs. Premier's office. Each Minister/MACAW Chair comes with a different relationship and understanding <p><u>MACAW's Role Recap:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paulette: there are never any dollars behind initiatives; you can't move without resources; need to advocate/build pathways toward resources - Lorna: when forces come together, things move fast; need to be prepared for opportunities; ensure that when we're together, we focus/do the work we're here to do - Chastity: we know the problems; we need to focus on the solutions - Lorna: we need to influence what Ministries do; this needs to be in the Strategic Plan. How willing/prepared are Ministries to take the advice of MACAW? How is government taking MACAW's advice? <i>That's</i> a performance measure. How do we measure success? By what each of the Ministries is doing - Darlene: we also need to keep in the loop with FNLC - Chastity: MACAW gives advice/builds partnerships with government. Identify Ministries to target/hold roundtables with to discuss what communities/MACAW want to see - Paulette: hold 2 day meetings with dialogue - Darlene: have met with Ministers to discuss budgets/initiatives—what are the outcomes? - Jodi: recommended action—1. Track recommendations; 2. Track activities; 3. Track outcomes of MACAW/Government recommendations/activities - Paulette: need a brochure about MACAW, with quotes (action item in Communication Plan/tab 13 agenda package) - Barb: need a timeline for benefit of new members (draft timeline generated for use in reporting and communications; included in Communication Plan/tab 13 agenda package) 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat/MARR: develop system to track: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recommendations; 2. Activities; 3. Outcomes of MACAW/ Government recommendations/ activities • MACAW/MARR: identify Ministries to target/hold roundtables with based on tracking system <p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW's advisory role (how MACAW provides advice/how government uses that advice) • Tracking MACAW's input/outcomes (tracking MACAW's influence) • Keeping in the loop with Ministries, MOU signatories, etc. • Updating MACAW's Terms of Reference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does advice from MACAW look like? - What work is the Ministry doing? - What resources are needed? - Moving forward with recommendations leading to action

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5.	MACAW's Role cont'd Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lorna: MACAW has a very broad mandate and equally broad scope of work. Many Ministries are actively dealing with issues. Indigenous population is spread across the Province. Even understanding scope of work is big, complicated further by a fragmented silo-ed vs. holistic and integrated approach. Is involved in revitalization of Indigenous languages within individual/family/community/Nation/government/institutional framework—is looking at <i>what are the efforts, resources, drivers that move this work along. How did we get here? Why doesn't society value languages? Why are Aboriginal women so devalued/not valued? Liked the suggestion of assessing recommendations that have already been made.</i> 	
6.	Violence Free BC (Justice, MCFD, MARR) Feb. 12, 2015 3:00-3:50 p.m. (discussed during Item #5) February 13, 2015 12:50 – 12:55 p.m.	<p><u>Racism (or, more specifically, Anti-Indigenism):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Darlene: what happened to Marcia Dawson's report ("Changing Seasons—Changing Lives: A Comprehensive Plan to End Domestic Violence for Aboriginal people in BC)? It was never incorporated into Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy, which is not Aboriginal-specific - Jodi: Marcia Dawson of MCFD's Domestic Violence Unit drafted an Aboriginal-specific domestic violence strategy. The decision was made to have one domestic violence strategy; can't remember response of Lynda Cavanaugh (Justice ADM, Community Safety & Crime Prevention Branch) to Marcia's report (MCFD's had distributed a draft/asked for feedback). Could ask Lori Wanamaker (Deputy Solicitor General, Justice) to attend MACAW's next meeting to discuss - Chastity: MACAW is about breaking down silos and systemic racism within government; Minister Rustad (MARR), MCFD and Justice are committed to meeting with MACAW. MACAW's recommendations with respect to Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy were rejected; Minister Rustad spoke with Justice on behalf of MACAW and MACAW's recommendations were still rejected - Jodi: gov't staff incorporated MACAW's feedback into wording but Premier's office rejected - Annita: attended 4th Justice Summit; there was a level of resistance to Aboriginal input - Darlene: how are Ministries coordinating? Each is pursuing its own strategy/funding its own initiatives vs. effectively addressing Aboriginal issues (such as holding an Aboriginal Justice Summit); send decision-makers to MACAW's forum - Paulette: could allocate \$50,000 for in funding to host an Aboriginal Justice Forum - Lorna: thanked Darlene for pointing out Marcia Dawson's report; need to shift the way government/institutions regard Aboriginal care. Racism/discrimination are never pointed out; white middle class is represented in blanket BC strategies, in public radio, the way documents are written and misrepresent/don't represent Aboriginal people, ensuring Aboriginal people continue to be disabled; hence, Marcia's document couldn't be used. MACAW needs to change the way policies/strategies are put forward and how Aboriginal people are reflected in documents <p>MACAW Chair (Chastity) recap for Sophie (late arrival):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formalizing relationship with Violence Free BC—who else are they consulting with? What are they discussing with MACAW? 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wanamaker) to next MACAW meeting in June to discuss status of Justice's response to Marcia Dawson's report (see Item #4 Action item) <p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Item re: "MACAW's Role":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW is about breaking down silos and systemic racism within government • MACAW needs to change the way policies/strategies are put forward and how Aboriginal people are reflected in documents <p>Forum discussion item: Send decision-makers to MACAW's forum</p>

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7.	Meeting Schedule Feb. 12, 2015 4:05 – 4:35 p.m.	<p>Strategic Planning Session (SPS): (Annita away Apr. 13-25, '15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date: April 30 – May 1, 2015 in Vancouver - Suggested facilitators: Cheryl Brooks facilitated last Strategic Planning Session; other facilitators: Carol Anne Hilton (#1), Monique Gray Smith (#2), Marcia Dawson, Tamara Goddard, Bev O'Neill - Suggested locations: Musqueam First Nation; First Nations Leadership Council Office; Native Courtworker and Counselling Assoc. of BC office (207-1999 Marine Drive, N. Vancouver above Staples) <p>MACAW meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friday, June 12, 2015 in Vancouver in Premier's Office; Oct and Feb meetings pending further discussion at Strategic Planning Session 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Planning Session: April 30 – May 1, 2015 at Native Courtworker and Counselling Association of BC in N. Van • Next MACAW meeting: June 12, '15 at Premier's Office (Vanc.) <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: confirm whether Carol Anne Hilton (#1) can facilitate SPS; if not, Monique Gray Smith (#2)
BREAK – 3:50 – 4:05 p.m.			
8.	Joint Partners' Table/MOU Anniversary – Update and Discussion Feb. 12, 2015 4:35 – 5:15 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: technical staff and elected representatives Coola Louis (UBCIC) and Clara Morin-Dal Col (MNBC) have met a few times; in the interest of building trust, the Minister sent a letter attaching an embargoed copy of Justice's Violence Free BC Strategy to MOU signatories (as requested at the last JPT meeting on Jan. 21, '14 in Vancouver) - Lorna: First Nations Leadership Council (FNLC) does not represent 60% of off-reserve/urban Aboriginal people - Barb: a large percentage of people are not represented in the MOU - Jodi: the decision was made to have only recognized political organizations sign; Friendship Centres, being non-political, were not represented - Darlene: need to identify/develop a framework for "off reserve" and "urban" Aboriginal women and girls; need to make the Declaration more inclusive; also address in the forum - Lorna: appreciate the explanation regarding 'signatories'; focus on urban Aboriginal women in the Strategic Planning Session - Chastity: in the interest of building rapport, met with MNBC on Jan. 30th; Chastity, Annita and Marjorie will be meeting with FNLC on March 9th - FNLC has pro-actively established stakeholder group meetings (cross-Ministry/organizations; sharing of documents, etc.) Who said this? – Darlene? - Darlene: see how MACAW can be included in FNLC stakeholder group meetings <p>One-Year Anniversary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: tie in the Declaration - Annita: one-year anniversary of MOU – what is the status of accomplishments under the MOU? If no budget is attached, then it's just a 'promise' <p>Accountability Framework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb: sought clarification regarding Accountability Framework - Jodi: Accountability Framework is about accountability of signatories. MARR developed/provided the first draft to MOU signatories; MOU signatories (FNLC) submitted a 2nd draft (provided in Tab #5 of agenda package); signatories still don't understand MACAW's role 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: see if MACAW can be included in FNLC Stakeholder Group Meetings • MARR: provide MACAW's initial feedback regarding the draft Accountability Framework at the next JPT meeting • MACAW (Chastity/Marjorie/Annita) discuss MOU at FNLC meeting on March 19, 2015; discuss what's happening in communities? What advice do the Chiefs have for MACAW? • MARR: speak with contact regarding Off-Reserve Aboriginal Action Plan Strategy <p>Minister's Action Item (#10):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: encourage MOU signatories at the MOU Anniversary to support a Moose Hide Campaign event in their respective community/Nation

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8.	Joint Partners' Table/MOU Anniversary – Update and Discussion cont'd... Feb. 12, 2015 Recap: Feb. 13, '15 8:40-10:00 a.m.	<p><u>Recap: Partnership Table:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: Accountability Framework (UBCIC draft)—MACAW placed at technical working group level; limited to MOU signatories (does not address 60% off-reserve Aboriginals); expanded # of Ministries - Jodi: doesn't see MACAW at the technical working group level; more about 'relationship building' - Chastity: will respectfully remind signatories that MACAW, led by Wendy, initiated the MOU process - Lorna: perception that MACAW will get things done; MACAW can support, but cannot do the work. MACAW's role is to provide advice to government, not undertake the work of the technical working group - Barb: work undertaken on behalf of MACAW (MOU/relationship building) should be attributed to "MACAW" as an organization vs. "individual" MACAW members. Engagement in the MOU implementation process needs to happen on MACAW's terms - Marjorie: 60% needs to be recognized within MOU framework - Sophie: concerned that an agreement including only political bodies won't get the job done vs. 'on the ground', which was why MACAW was formed. MACAW has been at both the political and technical levels - Marge: wants an update from Chiefs on what they've done at the local level to address the issue (e.g. any committees?) - Lorna: purpose of MOU and MACAW's place in it? MACAW is an advice-giving body—therefore, what advice do Chiefs have for MACAW? What's happening in communities? Urban areas? No mechanism for urban piece? - Barb: MOU is specific to signatories. MACAW needs a separate off-reserve strategy - Jodi: 2011 Speech from the Throne referenced the Off-Reserve Aboriginal Action Plan—MOU with Friendship Centres, etc. to address 78% Aboriginal off-reserve population. The federal Urban Aboriginal Youth Strategy (Duncan, Kamloops, PG, Vancouver, Surrey) focused on youth/employment/skills training; violence <i>could</i> be added, but not at present - Lorna: who is considered "off-reserve"?—status Indians living off-reserve? Or all urban/rural status and non-status, Inuit and Métis people? - Barb: labelling is what has divided us as a people 	<p>Strategic Planning Session Discussion Item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of an off reserve/urban Aboriginal framework/strategy <p>Forum discussion item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify framework for needs of off-reserve/urban Aboriginal women and girls
9.	Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (AAWG) National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, February 27, 2015 in Ottawa 5:16-5:50 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initially proposed delegation of 10 people from BC • Premier has limited BC's delegation to seven (Minister's Office, MARR, Justice, MACAW, JPT, family member) • National Roundtable Agenda has been developed (provided by Jodi at meeting) • Province/Territories will be providing budget for events/travel • Health support workers will be available to support family members • Carleton University hosting/facilitating a People's Gathering on Fri. Feb. 27th (to be webcast/reported) • Federal government has confirmed its participation—Minister Leitch (Status of Women) and Minister Valcourt (AANDC); political leaders, NAOs and family members also in attendance 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW Chair (Chastity) to attend National Roundtable • MARR: Jodi to speak with Mary regarding participation of BC family members

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9.	<p>Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (AAWG) National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, February 27, 2015 in Ottawa cont'd... 5:16-5:50 p.m.</p> <p>February 13, 2015 12:55 – 1:05 p.m. 'Member Updates' discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annita: expressed concern regarding representation of Aboriginal people at Roundtable; mostly government for one day—what is going to be accomplished? No justice by having just one family rep attend from each Province. Withdrew name from attending—cannot have MACAW attached to things like a Roundtable vs. initiatives like Justice Summits where funding is attached and things get done; attach real funding to these initiatives; otherwise, don't bother - Chastity: acknowledged Annita's frustration; it's about incremental change, recognizing the work that's been done (Secretariat; Giving Voice) and still needs to get done (e.g. breaking down silos, changing policy, advocating for more resources to get things done)—MACAW needs to be at the Roundtable - Paulette: needs to be done in the right way; advocate for more; can't be silent; need to communicate and build relationships —make change, call them out, speak out, be honest, walk the talk - Roundtable discussion to include 60's scoop lawsuit item (who mentioned this?) <u>Sorry – not sure.</u> - Sophie: how can we bring in the investment made on inquiries? What is the return? 	<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess return on investment of Inquiries
10.	<p>Minister's Visit</p> <p>Feb. 12, 2015 5:50-6:00 p.m.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Roundtable: federal participation important; not attending Feb. 26th/attending Feb. 27th; attendance of family members from each Province—will have to address if an issue - tremendous amount of work needs to be done; MACAW needs to be fully engaged; will keep pushing to get support - opportunities for conversation/engagement through Moose Hide Campaign/Giving Voice activities - Paulette: acknowledged Minister's support for Moose Hide Campaign; need to challenge both Aboriginal/non-Aboriginal leaders in each community - Annita: with no funding attached; what's the status of the MOU? - Minister Rustad: Secretariat funded (Nov. '14-Mar. '15); Giving Voice (\$400,000); \$2 million commitment in the Provincial Domestic Violence Plan - Marjorie: work is also being done by others in that area, such as the Council to Reduce Elder Abuse (in which Marjorie is a member) - Minister Rustad: how do we actually implement actions to address the issue? The Moose Hide Campaign is a good vehicle to hold men accountable; MOU Anniversary a good opportunity to inform/educate people; encourage Chiefs to support Moose Hide event in their community/Nation - Paulette: need to provide funding to support such initiatives - Minister Rustad: need broad-based support by leadership (did Minister Rustad specifically address the issue of funding? I didn't have anything in my notes on this) <u>I don't think so.</u> - Lorna: 60% of Aboriginal people aren't represented; strongly urge finding ways to be more inclusive - Minister Rustad: could partner with Friendship Centres 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW Chair (Chastity) to follow up with Minister post-meeting • MACAW: encourage MOU signatories at the MOU Anniversary to support a Moose Hide Campaign event in their respective community/Nation (included as action in item #8)

Comment [NJA2]: Is this for the Council to follow-up?

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10.	Minister's Visit cont'd... Feb. 12, 2015 5:50-6:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: powerful to have grassroots level involvement; is being discussed at this meeting; will follow up - Minister Rustad: what about engaging church groups? - Lorna: recommend parking this idea because it was initially members of the church who perpetrated violence in Aboriginal communities. The issue of violence crosses many Ministries/organizations; what's the Minister's role in breaking down silos (how are all areas, such as Justice, Health and Education addressing the issue?) - Minister Rustad: acknowledged need to expand to other areas beyond Justice, MCFD and MARR - Lona: inquired whether the Minister perceives the Secretariat as being an 'individual' or an 'organization', as this has implications for adequate provision of support to MACAW (communications (internal/external), administration, planning (strategic, event), reporting, research, etc.) - Minister Rustad: MACAW's role needs to be discussed further with the Council - Minister Rustad: riding includes 300 km of Highway 16 between Prince George and Houston; 13 First Nations, 6 communities, transportation and services 	<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include "Secretariat" as an agenda item in the next meeting with the Minister
11.	4 th B.C. Justice Summit Nov. 28-29, 2014 Feb. 13, 2015 8:20 – 8:25 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annita: Justice will likely engage MACAW for the next Justice Summit; provided good Aboriginal input at 4th Summit - Darlene: report came out for the 2nd Justice Summit (Vision gaps analysis)—no movement on deliverables; the 4th Justice Summit was supposed to be on sex offenders—vocally supportive of 4th Justice Summit because it highlights the issue of violence against women; the 5th one is supposed to be on Children and Family - Jodi: could ask Justice to speak to Justice Summit recommendations after the 4th Justice Summit report comes out 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: invite Justice (Lori Wannamaker) to next MACAW meeting to discuss status of four Justice Summits (see #4 Action Items)
12.	Provincial Office of Domestic Violence (PODV) Feb. 13, 2015 8:25-8:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: PODV has developed a 3-year strategy; however, government only commits dollars on an annual basis; no decision as to where the \$2 million allocated for Aboriginal-specific initiatives is coming from or where it's going to; ADM Beverly Dicks can seek Council's input to determine where dollars are spent 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MARR: provide updates to Council regarding the status of implementation of PODV's 3-year strategy
13.	Federal/Provincial/Territorial (FPT) Ministers Responsible for Justice and Public Safety Feb. 13, 2015 8:30-8:40 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: does Council feel that this is a useful process to contribute to? There are no dollars attached; implemented jurisdiction by jurisdiction; intended to address systemic issues within Justice 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MARR: invite Susan Hendricks (Director of Aboriginal Programs, Justice) to MACAW's next meeting in June 2015

Comment [NJA3]: I don't recall this – talking about the role of the Council is something we need to do with Minister, but role of secretariat is a conversation at the staff level.

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14.	Giving Voice Update Feb. 13, 2015 10:00-10:20 a.m.	<p>\$50,000 allocated for Oct/Nov 2015 forum; anticipate matching government/corporate funding; Giving Voice working group: Mary, Darlene, Paulette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sophie: not everyone got funded; lots of initiatives out there; what kind of support can go to on-the-ground community initiatives? - Jodi: what is MACAW's role? - Lorna: if title is "Giving Voice", how is this informing MACAW to do its job? This is MACAW's window as to how people are using their funding to address issues on the ground. - Darlene: engaging communities in a non-threatening way—what was done? - Lona: evaluation form generated (tab #11.b in agenda package); issue of resourcing to properly evaluate initiatives (25 Stream 1 and 12 Stream 2 projects) - Sophie: over 160 (162) proposals received; too much work for a volunteer Council - Lona: MACAW Giving Voice working group requested opportunity to evaluate proposals - Paulette: it was a worthy undertaking - Jodi: 5% of Giving Voice budget was provided to Carrier Sekani Family Services to administer payments to Giving Voice recipients - Barb: project management can't be implemented by organization dispensing funding - Chastity: flag 'fund raising' offline discussion as an action item in the minutes - Darlene: would like a report on 1" Giving Voice—what was successful/what didn't work? - Jodi: a summary was generated for the first year of Giving Voice; will provide 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW to hold offline discussion regarding Giving Voice fund-raising • Secretariat: include 'Giving Voice' in June meeting agenda • MARR: forward first year Giving Voice summary to MACAW members <p>Forum discussion items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlighting outcomes of Giving Voice initiatives • Looking at ways to support on-the-ground community initiatives that did not receive any Giving Voice funding
15.	MACAW Forum 2015 Feb. 13, 2015 10:20-11:40 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chastity: opportunity to showcase MACAW; obtain input; solution-oriented/best practices. Forum working group: Barb, Debbie, Chastity—open to others joining the sub-committee; possible partnership with forum on 'Leadership' (Cheryl Casimer/Deb Foxcroft/Michelle Cormier; Wendy Grant John no longer involved) - Paulette: 'leadership' doesn't align with MACAW forum objectives (e.g. techniques to improve lives; address inter-generational violence) - Sophie: focus on Giving Voice—issue of violence vs. justice (MACAW can have a 'supportive' role if Justice holds their own); exchange info; toolkit (online, etc.); build on investment already made - Barb: organizing the forum is not MACAW's role—need professional support; never been to a forum (MACAW's 1" forum) - Sophie: target to service providers; develop a toolkit for implementation in their communities; build good solid foundational support on the ground - Darlene: there is lots of federal funding available for health and wellness - Barb: whose role is it to raise funds? - Paulette: has implemented own "Walk in Balance" events (400 attendance), starts with \$0/each cost \$250,000; works with someone who knows industry/government; paid according to amount raised; hire a fundraiser—leverage \$50,000 to raise \$250,000; provincial/federal/industry have a wellness mandate; send out a proposal for someone to fundraise, organize the event, coordinate - Darlene: focus on Aboriginal resources to provide support (e.g. Katrina Harry) - Jodi: will look into generating an 'Expression of Interest'; contract to include fundraising, planning and implementation; to confer with finance re: contractor paid by commission - Lona: highlighted Tab #12(b) for further discussion respecting forum objectives/outcomes 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARR: generate "Expression of Interest" to hire an Aboriginal contractor to fundraise, plan and implement MACAW forum 2015 • MACAW: notify Chastity to join the forum sub-committee <p>Forum Objectives discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Showcase MACAW; obtain input; solution-oriented/best practices • Exchange info; toolkit • Target to service providers; develop a toolkit for implementation in their communities; build good solid foundational support on the ground

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16.	Communications Feb. 13, 2015 11:40-11:45 a.m.	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update MACAW group/activity photos for PowerPoint Presentation - Timeline makes the PowerPoint too long - Jodi: can tailor the PowerPoint to the audience - Paulette: ensure Co-Chair is briefed >> transfer of information from Chair. Chair/Co-Chair should work closely together—needs to be formalized 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: provide input/edits for PowerPoint • Update group/activity photos for communication purposes (at Strategic Planning Session) • Secretariat: formalize Chair and Co-Chair chain of communication (see Item #18) • MARR: download MACAW PowerPoint to website
17.	Annual Report Feb. 13, 2015 11:50-11:55 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona: generated Annual Report based on meeting minutes/agenda; also includes a 'Message from the Chair' and a time line (let Lona know if anything missed/needs revising); website links have been referenced where possible, as per government practice (to cut down on length/paper); require updated group photo; PowerPoint referenced as link in anticipation of being downloaded to MACAW website (see #16 action item) - Jodi: Annual Report ending March 31st aligns with government's fiscal timeline 	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW: provide feedback/input (especially re: "Next Steps") by end of February • MACAW Chair: provide input for 'Message from the Chair' • Secretariat: review draft Annual Report with Chair/obtain final approval from MACAW/MARR
18.	Organizational Feb. 13, 2015 11:55 am–12:35 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lona: draft MACAW position descriptions and competency profiles were adapted from templates provided by the Government of Ontario: https://www.ontario.ca/search/search-results?external_tag=Agency+governance. Notwithstanding MACAW is a government advisory agency, BC Government Human Resources is not involved; BC's Board Resourcing and Development Office (BRDO) is concerned only with the recruitment/appointment process (which input is reflected in MACAW's Mandate and Roles Document, provided in Tab #15a of the agenda package). The Council is therefore free to develop its own roles and responsibilities, including dispensing with the sample template entirely. The draft Standards of Ethical Conduct was generated based on a template provided on the BRDO's website. Marjorie had indicated previously (Nov. 26'14 conference call) that the Elder role was never explained. Research has also been conducted into Elder roles 	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW/MARR/Secretariat: review/provide input/ finalize MACAW Mandate and Roles Document, Standards of Ethical Conduct, and Roles & Responsibilities (Competency Profiles/Position Descriptions), including Chair and Co-Chair interaction/communication • Include as agenda item in the next MACAW meeting in June

Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women

The Honourable John Rustad
Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

Chastity Davis
Chair

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19.	Updates for the MACAW Feb. 13, 2015 12:35 – 12:50 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leslie: provided overview of synopsis of Inter-American Commission on Human Rights Report - Paulette: the IACHR consulted MACAW for its report (Wendy Grant John, Kim Baird, Paulette Flamond, Mary Teegee, Charlene Belleau and Debbie Williams) - Chastity: who is IACHR? Brought up website (http://www.oas.org/en/about/who_we_are.asp)-- IACHR is the main political, juridical and social governmental forum for 35 independent states of the Americas) - Lona: a deliverable under the contract between the ONA and MARR is the status of recommendations in MACAW's "Taking Action" Report - Jodi: Leslie could assist Lona in determining the status of Taking Action recommendations - Jodi: under the Internship Program, interns work for government for 9 months and an organization the remaining 3 months; possibility of Leslie working for MACAW for remaining 3 months - Leslie: expressed interest in supporting MACAW for remaining 3 months of internship 	Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat/MARR: Leslie to assist Lona to determine status of "Taking Action" recommendations • MARR: Jodi/Leslie to follow up with Internship Program leads
20.	Council Member Updates Feb. 13, 2015 12:55 – 1:10 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jodi: looking at funding a couple of MACAW members to attend the Burns Lake Forum (Lorna had expressed an interest in attending to learn more about the issue of violence against Aboriginal women); awaiting information; potential link between MACAW and Burns Lake Forum – possible development of a product/toolkit (police/municipal government/community as model for other communities) - Paulette: Amnesty International is coming to Fort St. John in April for 12 days to look into racism in the oil and gas industry; will be contacting coordinator to invite Minister - Jodi: CBC has requested an interview with Chastity to discuss MACAW and its position on the request for a National Inquiry into missing and murdered women; needs to be approved by the Minister's office - Chastity: position has been that MACAW is comprised of a diverse set of women from around the province with various opinions regarding the National Inquiry; have had several discussions but are not coming out with a position at this time (see item #4 discussion) 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW's position on holding a National Inquiry: no opinion at this time Forum discussion item: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential link between Burns Lake Forum and MACAW Forum (toolkit)
21.	Closing Comments Feb. 13, 2015 1:10 – 1:15 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion: interactions with Minister need to be more structured/formalized vs. ad hoc and informal (as illustrated by the Minister's ad hoc/late arrival); MACAW is comprised of a group of Aboriginal women leaders volunteering their time to provide advice to a paid civil servant - Jodi: recommends communicating with Minister using a 'Briefing Note' format (issue/background/recommended action) 	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MACAW to communicate with Minister using a 'Briefing Note' format

MOU SIGNING CEREMONY: June 13, 2014, 10:00am to 11:00am

Venue: Chief Joe Mathias Centre (100 Lower Capilano Road, North Vancouver)

Meet with Council 9:30am to 9:45am (Youth Centre)

Pre-brief 9:45am to 10:00am (Youth Centre)

Media Availability 11:00am to 11:15am (room TBC)

Seating arrangement:

- Two tables/chairs at the front with the podium in the middle.
 - Right (facing stage, R to L): Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, Kukpi7 Judy Wilson, Grand Chief Ed John, Robert Phillips, Cheryl Casimer, Leah George-Wilson and Ray Harris.
 - Left (facing stage, R to L): Shane Pointe (closest to the podium), Minister John Rustad, Premier Christy Clark, Regional Chief Puglaas, President Bruce Dumont, and Wendy Grant John.
- Two tables/chairs in second row with space in the middle behind the podium.
 - Right (facing stage, R to L): Marge White, Debbie Williams, Kim Baird, Sophie Pierre
 - Left (facing stage L to R): Chastity Davis, Mary Teegee, Charlene Belleau, Paulette Flamond, Minister Cadieux, MLA Jane Thornthwaite, Clara Morin-Dal Col

Runners: Jan Gottfred, Rachel Holmes, Tara Zwaan, Jodi Newnham, Corinna Fillion, two FNS staff.

1	9:30	Shane meets with Council	Youth Centre
2	9:45	Shane provides brief overview of the importance of the Witnessing Ceremony.	Youth Centre; Marge will assist.
3	10:00	Ray Harris introduces Wendy.	
4	10:01	Wendy provides opening remarks; introduces Shane.	
5	10:02	Shane acknowledges the Squamish Nation.	
6	10:03	Shane welcomes the individuals seated at the front (left to right): <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ President Bruce Dumont (MNBC)	Excludes Council members (as

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Shane Pointe

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Regional Chief Puglaas (BCAFN) o Premier Christy Clark (Province of BC) o Honourable John Rustad (Province of BC) o Grand Chief Stewart Phillip (UBCIC) o Kukpi7 Judy Wilson (UBCIC) o Grand Chief Ed John (FNS) o Robert Phillips (FNS) o Cheryl Casimer (FNS) o Leah George-Wilson (FNS) o Minister Stephanie Cadieux (Province of BC) o MLA Jane Thornthwaite (North Vancouver-Seymour) o Clara Morin-Dal Col (MNBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We regret that Chief Bob Chamberlin (UBCIC) is unable to be with us today because of illness; we appreciate his willingness to sign the MOU in advance. 	Wendy will have introduced) and Ray Harris.
7	10:04	Shane calls the four Witnesses to stand and explains their work.	9 Council members will give a loonie to the four witnesses.
8	10:08	Shane asks all the Chiefs and delegates to stand as Witnesses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While only four Witnesses are being asked to speak, all of us have a responsibility to take what we hear, see, and feel back to our families and communities. 	9 Council members will ensure each Chief and delegate receives a loonie.
9	10:12	Shane asks all Chiefs and designates to sit after receiving a loonie from the Council.	
10	10:13	Shane invites the 9 signatories to sign the MOU	Signatories remain seated while signing; runners assist.
11	10:14	Shane invites Chastity Davis and Marge White to the podium. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marge is the Council's Elder; Chasity is the Council's Youth representative. 	Chastity reads the text of the MOU while the signing takes place.
12	10:18	Shane thanks all the signatories for committing to stopping violence against Aboriginal women and girls by signing the MOU.	

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Shane Pointe

13	10:18	Shane explains that one representative from each of the signatory organizations has been invited to speak. • We ask that everyone keep their remarks to three minutes.	
14	10:18	Shane invites Premier Christy Clark, Province of British Columbia , to the podium. Shane thanks Premier Christy Clark.	
15	10:22	Shane invites Cheryl Casimer, First Nations Summit , to the podium. Shane thanks Cheryl Casimer.	
16	10:26	Shane invites Regional Chief Puglaas (Jody Wilson-Raybould), BC Assembly of First Nations , to the podium. Shane thanks Regional Chief Puglaas.	
17	10:30	Shane invites Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, Union of BC Indian Chiefs , to the podium. Shane thanks Grand Chief Stewart Phillip.	
18	10:34	Shane invites President Bruce Dumont, Metis Nation British Columbia , to the podium. Shane thanks President Bruce Dumont.	
19	10:39	Shane invites the signatories to stand so they can be acknowledged; Council is invited to gift the signatories with a blanket.	Marge will give Grand Chief Stewart Phillip a blanket for Chief Bob Chamberlin.
20	10:41	Shane invites the first Witness to speak: _____ • We ask that the four Witnesses limit their remarks to four minutes.	Kim Baird – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
21	10:47	Shane invites the second Witness to speak: _____	Mary Teegee – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
22	10:53	Shane invites the third Witness to speak: _____	Paulette Flamond – blanket. 9 Council

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			members will give a loonie to the Witness.
23	10:59	Shane invites the fourth Witness to speak: _____	Sophie Pierre – blanket. 9 Council members will give a loonie to the Witness.
24	11:05	Shane invites 9 signatories, 9 members of the Council, 4 Witnesses, Minister Cadieux, MLA Jane Thornthwaite, and Clara Morin-dal Col to sign the banner to symbolize their commitment to stopping violence against Aboriginal women.	Everyone at the front goes to sign the banner, plus the four Witnesses. Photo opportunity – 25 people.
25	11:06	Concluding remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to everyone for their support – it is important that you take what you heard, saw and felt to your community so that we can work together to stop violence against Aboriginal women and girls. We all have a responsibility. • A special thank you to the First Nations Summit for including our ceremony on their agenda. 	
26	11:06	Distribution of gifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to the Minister's Advisory Council of Aboriginal Women for bringing all of us together today. • As we conclude our work today, members of the Council will offer you the following gifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A paddle to commemorate the day; the Council hopes that it will remind you of your responsibility in stopping violence. - A feather USB; this provides some information about the Council, including an incredibly powerful video about one of their initiatives to "Give Voice" to stop violence. - A Declaration; all of us here today have a responsibility to take action on this issue, not just the 	Will occur as signatories are signing the banner.

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Shane Pointe

		<p>MOU signatories. The Council invites you to take the Declaration back to your community to help you determine how you will contribute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remain seated so the Council can distribute the gifts. 	
27	11:07	<p>Signing the banner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We ask all of you to sign the banner as you leave today. By signing your name, you commit to stopping violence against Aboriginal women and girls. 	
28	11:07	<p>Final comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On behalf of the Council, thank you to everyone who attended today's event. 	

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Projects Give Voice to Aboriginal Women

VICTORIA – More than X community-based organizations will share \$350,000 in Giving Voice grants to fund programs aimed at stopping violence against Aboriginal women and girls.

The Giving Voice Project supports community groups and organizations to provide safe environments for Aboriginal women and girls to give voice to issues of violence and abuse affecting their lives, their families and communities.

The program is an initiative of the Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women (MACAW) established by the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation to advise the Provincial government on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women and girls.

Quotes:

John Rustad, Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

"The Province is committed to a collaborative approach to address the unacceptable levels of violence against indigenous women. By supporting projects designed and developed by and for Aboriginal women we are moving towards the overall goal of improving the quality of life for all B.C. First Nations."

Chastity Davis, MACAW Chair

"The team of First Nations women who sit on the MACAW Board are excited about the quality of applications that came in from across the province. Each grant recipient was chosen based on the use of innovative, culturally-relevant approaches to engage Aboriginal women in violence-prevention programming, traditional practises and healing methods."

Chief, XXX First Nation, Fort St. John

"The XXX Friendship Centre in Ft. St. John is extremely grateful for this funding which will help us....."

Quick Facts:

- Grant funds will be distributed in two streams. The first must be completed by November 15, 2015 and supports activities that bring participants together in a safe, supportive and meaningful way -- including employing traditional activities, guest speakers, and use of social media. The second stream must be completed by November 30th, 2016 and supports the mobilization, implementation, planning and action phase.
- The Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women was created as a direct result of the B.C. government's co-host role at the Collaboration to End Violence: National Aboriginal Women's Forum in June 2011. The council provides advice to government on how to improve the quality of life for Aboriginal women in B.C.

- In June 2014 the Government of British Columbia and First Nations Leaders signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) committing to work together to end violence against Aboriginal women and girls and improve quality of life. The MOU is a direct result of the joint work of the provincial government and the Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women (MACAW).
- In February 2014, the Provincial Office of Domestic Violence released the Provincial Domestic Violence Plan. This three-year, \$5.5-million plan includes \$2 million to develop and deliver programs specifically for Aboriginal women, men and children affected by domestic violence.

Learn More:

Minister's Advisory Council on Aboriginal Women:

www.gov.bc.ca/arr/social/min_adv_council_on_aboriginal_women.html

Provincial Domestic Violence Plan: www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/podv/pdf/dv_pp_booklet.pdf

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Projects Give Voice to Aboriginal Women

The Giving Voice Project supports community groups and organizations to provide safe environments for Aboriginal women and girls to give voice to issues of violence and abuse affecting their lives, their families and communities. Grant recipients include:

XXXX First Nation, Ft. St. John \$25,000

Funding will create a support system to provide counselling and ...

XXXX Women's Society, Kitimat \$25,000

This project is intended to strength ties between ...

XXXX Society, Invermere \$25,000

This two-year project will engage young Aboriginal women in ...

XXXX Friendship Centre, Merritt \$25,000

This project will engage women and girls in the community in cultural activities and....

XXXX First Nation, Campbell River \$25,000

Funding will allow a program involving elders, RCMP, and

XXXX Interior Friendship Society, Kamloops \$25,000

This project is aimed at increasing awareness about residential schools and the after effects that linger today ...

XXXX Women's Society, Kelowna \$50,000

This project will provide a safe haven for women to share their stories

XXXX First Nation, Richmond \$50,000

Funding will develop programs to teach traditional healing techniques, positive self-image...

XXX Friendship Society, Victoria \$50,000

Funding will develop crisis response and community support

XXX Women's Society, Prince George \$50,000

This project will allow establishment of cultural outreach and support programs ...

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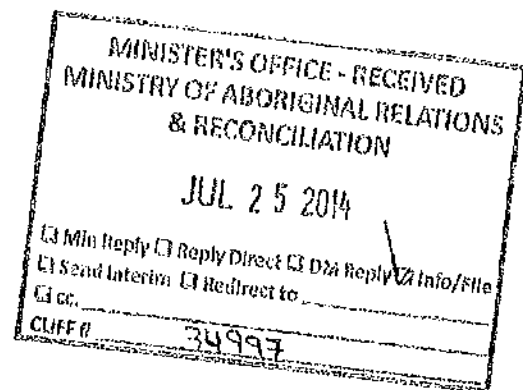


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Dear Premier Ghiz:

The Aboriginal Affairs Working Group (AAWG) has undertaken work as set out in the letter to the Chair of the AAWG on September 25th, 2013. At that time, the Chair of Council of the Federation (COF) was the Honourable Premier Kathleen Wynne.

As the Chair of the AAWG and on behalf of the provincial and territorial Ministers of Aboriginal Affairs and Leaders of five National Aboriginal Organizations (NAO), I respectfully submit the *2014 AAWG Progress Report to Provincial and Territorial Ministers of Aboriginal Affairs and National Aboriginal Leaders on Education, Economic Development, Ending Violence against Aboriginal Women and Girls, National Disaster Mitigation Strategy on Reserve, and Housing*.

On May 13th, 2014, Ministers, NAO Leaders, and delegates met in Winnipeg to review progress on the work and recommendations of AAWG officials.

Ministers and Leaders in attendance, agreed as follows:

Closing the Graduation Gap:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders endorsed the 2014/15 joint work plan between the AAWG and the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC).

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders congratulated the AFN and Manitoba on their work to pilot an Education Tool Kit.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders stressed the need for increased collaboration and investment in First Nation schools by the Government of Canada to bring them up to the standards of provincial and territorial schools.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders stressed the need for: increased collaboration between the Government of Canada, First Nation communities and provincial and territorial Ministries of Education on First Nations education and for increased investment by the Government of Canada in First Nations schools to ensure equality and compatibility with provincial and territorial education systems.
- With the recent release of the Inuit Education Strategy and unique considerations among the Inuit population, Inuit Leaders encouraged more robust collaboration to support closing the education gap between Inuit and non-Aboriginal people.

Economic Development:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders shared existing programs and policies across the country concerning labour market participation and involvement in economic opportunities of First Nations (regardless of status or residency), Inuit and Métis.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders agreed to post the results of this work on the AAWG's Aboriginal Success Stories – Economic Development website at www.aawgecdev.ca.

Ending Violence against Aboriginal Women and Girls:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders continue to support the NAO Leaders' call for the Government of Canada to hold a national public inquiry into Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women and Girls, including a request to be consulted on the terms of reference for the proposed inquiry.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders approved a Framework for Coordinating Action to End Violence Against Aboriginal Women and Girls and invited the Government of Canada to participate in the Framework.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders noted continued collaboration with Provincial and Territorial Justice Ministers on the draft FPT Justice Framework.
- Noting that each AAWG member will collaborate with their respective colleagues within their own governments and organizations, Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO leaders agreed to share their actions and experiences in using the Framework as a tool to guide their work to end violence against Aboriginal women and girls.

Disaster Management and Emergency Measures:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders agreed to work with their respective emergency management organizations to continue to strengthen engagement and participation of First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities in emergency management services.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders directed their officials to continue drafting a work plan to look at possible strategies and leading practices across the country.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders noted that the 2013/14 federal commitments to support emergency preparedness for First Nations communities exclude off reserve and Métis communities, as well as Inuit Nunangat.

Aboriginal Housing:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders directed the Housing Working Group to review innovative building and funding approaches for Aboriginal housing development to determine lessons learned and leading practices in order to ensure sustainable future growth in housing for First Nations (regardless of status or residency), Inuit and Métis.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders directed the Housing Working Group to conduct a review of federal operating agreements in place on-and off-reserve Inuit and Métis housing sector as a way to potentially engage the Government of Canada on the need for development of a sustainable long-term funding strategy for Aboriginal housing.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders directed the Housing Working Group to work with the Economic Development Working Group to create a housing page on the Economic Development website, to include the content of a housing inventory developed by the AAWG to share information about Aboriginal housing programs and best practices.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders in attendance directed the Housing Working Group to work to explore options for coordinating activities between the AAWG and the P/T Housing Forum.

Three other areas of consideration:

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders endorsed continued co-operation on all priority issues and directed officials to work with the Government of Canada where possible to advance activities aimed at supporting First Nations (regardless of status or residency), Inuit and Métis communities.
- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders in attendance recommend to Canada's Premiers for their consideration that an AAWG Working Group on Child and Family services be established to examine among other things, the "sixties scoop", leading practices, challenges and jurisdictional issues and that the group be composed of experts in the field including child and family services and justice ministries.

- Provincial and Territorial Ministers and NAO Leaders acknowledged Manitoba's role as AAWG Chair over the past two-years and expressed support for the Northwest Territories who will be assuming the role of AAWG Chair.

As you also know, Ministers and NAO Leaders met in November of 2013, to discuss progress on AAWG activities. We were pleased that the Honorable Bernard Valcourt, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada, was able to attend. Ministers and NAO Leaders further expressed the importance of federal engagement and a mutual commitment to a renewed and strengthened relationship in order to improve the lives of all Aboriginal peoples in Canada, including First Nations (regardless of status or residency), Inuit, and Métis Peoples.

Ministers and NAO leaders also thanked Justice Murray Sinclair who attended the November meeting to share his work on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). Provincial-Territorial Ministers in attendance agreed that they would discuss with their Premiers to provide an opportunity for the TRC to present their work at the annual meeting of Premiers and NAO Leaders.

Ministers and NAO leaders will continue to work together toward the social and economic well-being of Aboriginal peoples across the country.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express that Manitoba has thoroughly appreciated the experience as chair of the AAWG for the last two years. As Manitoba hands over the chair to North West Territories, I am more than confident they will do an exceptional job as new chair of the AAWG.

I wish you a productive meeting with NAO Leaders on August 27th, in Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
HON. ERIC ROBINSON

Eric Robinson
Chair
Aboriginal Affairs Working Group

Enclosure

c: Premiers

AAWG Ministers and National Aboriginal Organization Leaders

Premiers:

The Honourable Dave Hancock, Alberta
The Honourable Christy Clark, British Columbia
The Honourable Greg Selinger, Manitoba
The Honourable David Alward, New Brunswick
The Honourable Tom Marshall, Newfoundland and Labrador
The Honourable Bob McLeod, Northwest Territories
The Honourable Stephen McNeil, Nova Scotia
The Honourable Peter Taptuna, Nunavut
The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Ontario
The Honourable Philippe Couillard, Quebec
The Honourable Brad Wall, Saskatchewan
The Honourable Darrell Pasloski, Yukon

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Honourable Frank Oberle, Alberta
Honourable John Rustad, British Columbia
The Honourable David Alward, New Brunswick (Premier)
Honourable Nick McGrath, Newfoundland
The Honourable Bob McLeod, Northwest Territories (Premier)
The Honourable Stephen McNeil, Nova Scotia (Premier)
The Honourable Peter Taptuna, Nunavut (Premier)
Honourable David Zimmer, Ontario
The Honourable Robert W. J. Ghiz, Prince Edward Island (Premier)
Honourable Geoffrey Kelley, Quebec
Honourable Jim Reiter, Saskatchewan
The Honourable Darrell Pasloski, Yukon (Premier)

National Aboriginal Organizations Leaders:

Interim National Chief Ghislain Picard, Assembly of First Nations
National Chief Betty Ann Lalavallee, Congress of Aboriginal Peoples
National Inuit Leader Mr. Terry Audla, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
Clément Chartier, Metis National Council
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Monsieur le Premier Ministre,

Le Groupe de travail sur les affaires autochtones (GTAA) a amorcé le travail dont il est question dans la lettre au président du GTAA datée du 25 septembre 2013. La présidente du Conseil de la fédération (CDF) était alors la première ministre Kathleen Wynne.

À titre de président du GTAA et au nom des ministres provinciaux et territoriaux responsables des Affaires autochtones et des cinq dirigeants des organismes autochtones nationaux (OAN), je vous sou mets respectueusement le *rapport d'étape du GTAA de 2014 à l'intention des ministres provinciaux et territoriaux responsables des Affaires autochtones et des dirigeants des organismes autochtones nationaux, qui porte sur l'éducation, le développement économique, l'élimination de la violence faite aux femmes et aux filles autochtones, la Stratégie nationale d'atténuation des catastrophes dans les réserves et le logement.*

Le 13 mai 2014, les ministres, les dirigeants des OAN et les délégués se sont réunis à Winnipeg pour examiner les progrès réalisés et les recommandations des responsables du GTAA.

Les ministres et les dirigeants présents ont convenu de ce qui suit :

Réduire l'écart entre les taux d'obtention de diplômes

- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont approuvé le plan de travail de 2014-2015 élaboré conjointement par le GTAA et le Conseil des ministres de l'Éducation (Canada) (CMEC).

Gestion des catastrophes et interventions d'urgence

- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont convenu de travailler avec leur organisme de gestion des urgences respectif afin de continuer à renforcer la participation des collectivités des Premières Nations, des Inuits et des Métis dans les services de gestion des urgences.
- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont demandé à leur personnel de poursuivre l'élaboration d'un plan de travail se penchant sur les stratégies possibles et les pratiques exemplaires dans tout le pays.
- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont signalé que les engagements fédéraux de 2013-2014 visant à soutenir la préparation aux situations d'urgence dans les collectivités des Premières Nations excluent les personnes vivant hors réserves, les collectivités métisses et celles de l'Inuit Nunangat.

Logement autochtone

- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont demandé au groupe de travail sur le logement de passer en revue les approches novatrices en matière de construction et de financement pour la création de logements autochtones, afin de tirer des leçons et d'établir les pratiques exemplaires de façon à assurer la croissance durable du logement pour les membres des Premières Nations (sans égard au statut ni au lieu de résidence), les Inuits et les Métis.
- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont demandé au groupe de travail sur le logement d'examiner les ententes opérationnelles fédérales existantes dans le secteur résidentiel sur réserves et hors réserves, des Inuits et des Métis pour amener le gouvernement du Canada à répondre éventuellement à ce besoin par l'adoption d'une stratégie de financement à long terme du logement des Autochtones.
- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont demandé au groupe de travail sur le logement de travailler avec le Comité de travail sur le développement économique à la création d'une page Web sur la partie du site du GTAA consacrée au développement économique afin d'y inclure l'inventaire des logements établi par le GTAA, dans le but de faire connaître les programmes de logement à l'intention des Autochtones ainsi que les pratiques exemplaires.
- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN présents ont demandé au groupe de travail sur le logement de se pencher sur des possibilités de coordonner des activités entre le GTAA et le forum PT sur le logement.

Trois autres facteurs à prendre en considération

- Les ministres provinciaux et territoriaux et les dirigeants des OAN ont appuyé la poursuite de la collaboration sur tous les enjeux prioritaires et ont demandé à leurs représentants de travailler avec le gouvernement du Canada dans la mesure du possible, afin de faire progresser les activités visant à soutenir les collectivités des Premières Nations (sans égard au statut ni au lieu de résidence), des Inuits et des Métis.