

For Electronic Distribution – December 17, 2014

**Re: AVICC Member Update – December 2014**

*Please forward to Elected Officials and the CAO:*

Appointment of Acting Directors at Large

Nine candidates put their names forward to serve as Acting Director at Large to fill the four vacancies created by the November 15 elections. We thank them for their willingness to serve.

Executive is pleased to advise that the following members have been appointed as Acting Director at Large to serve the remainder of the 2014-15 term:

- Director Edwin Grieve, Comox Valley Regional District
- Councillor Carl Jensen, District of Central Saanich
- Mayor Josie Osborne, District of Tofino and Chair of Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
- Director Colin Palmer, Powell River Regional District

Elected Officials Seminar

Attached is a reminder from LGLA of the importance of attending one of the LGLA Elected Official Seminars. Although the Parksville sessions are both over subscribed and registration has been closed, AVICC members are still welcome to sign up for the Small, Large or Electoral Area sessions in Richmond. I am advised that there is room in those sessions.

2015 AGM & Convention

Please ensure that you are holding **April 10-12, 2015** in your calendar as the AVICC Executive and Courtenay Mayor Larry Jangula and Council will be looking forward to seeing you in Courtenay. Program and registration information will be sent out to members in the last week of January.

Thank you to members who submitted presentation proposals for the 2015 AGM & Convention by the December 12 deadline. Executive is looking forward to reviewing the proposals at their January 15 meeting.

Best wishes to everyone for the holidays.

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**3) What's the difference between the various events?**

*While the basic program is the same, the events in the regions will call on local panelists and mentors, and the presenters in Richmond will focus more on issues of relevance to the size or type of local government represented at each event.*

**4) Will the experience be worth the time and taxpayer dollars invested?**

*Yes...whatever time and money you invest in your understanding of the intricacies of local governance and in strategies for effective leadership will pay off in spades throughout your term of office. This is nothing less than the best investment you can make in yourself and your community.*

Check out the EOS program (<http://lgla.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/2015-EOS-Program-at-a-Glance.pdf>) and register (<http://lgla.ca/events/2015-eos/>) now...spaces are filling up quickly!

If you have questions about any of the seminars please contact Errin Morrison, Program Manager, at [emorrison@lgla.ca](mailto:emorrison@lgla.ca).