



**MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND
AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE
on FRIDAY, December 15, 2023, 9:00 a.m.
Held electronically via Zoom**

IN ATTENDANCE: Director Penny Cote, Alberni-Clayoquot RD, President
Councillor Ben Geselbracht, City of Nanaimo, 1st Vice President
Director Vanessa Craig, RD of Nanaimo, 2nd Vice President
Director Donna McMahon, Sunshine Coast RD, Electoral Area Representative
Councillor Sarah Fowler, Village of Tahsis, Director at Large
Councillor Janet Dorward, District of Port Hardy, Director at Large
Director Ian Morrison, Cowichan Valley RD, Past President

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Theresa Dennison, AVICC Executive Coordinator

ABSENT: Director Travis Hall, Central Coast RD, Director at Large

President Cote called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

a. AGENDA

On motion by Director Fowler seconded by EA Representative McMahon
THAT the agenda for the December 15, 2023 meeting be adopted was

CARRIED

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cote provided an update on the UBCM Meeting that took place in October. UBCM President, Trish Mandewo has been on the media a lot regarding new housing legislation and the lack of engagement that took place with local governments. Since the UBCM convention, President Cote has been appointed to the UBCM Indigenous Relations Committee and the UBCM Environment Committee. At MIABC, there was a resignation and a new appointment for one of the positions. There is one position available for nominations (Group B -2001 to 5000 population) and President Cote will send information to the Executive. Recommendations should be sent to her. President Cote has also been working with staff on convention matters, including working with the City of Victoria.

On motion by President Cote, seconded by Director Fowler
THAT the President's Report be received was

CARRIED

3. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION

a. In Camera Meeting Policy and Adoption of July 24, 2023 and October 13, 2023 Minutes

The *Societies Act* does not require that an association's meeting agendas or minutes are shared with members or with the public. It has been AVICC's practice to post their Executive Meeting and AGM minutes on their website since 2009. At the October 13, 2023 AVICC Executive Meeting, there were items for consideration that involved personnel matters that were discussed in camera. The following motion was carried at that meeting to formalize a process for AVICC with respect to in camera meetings:

*THAT staff bring a proposed In Camera Policy to the AVICC Executive for approval; and
Minutes of the December 15, 2023 Meeting of the AVICC Executive*

THAT the minutes of the July 24th, 2023 be brought back to the December 15, 2023 Executive Meeting

A proposed draft of an AVICC In Camera Meeting Policy was shared for the Executive's consideration. Staff conducted research and found similar policies online, and included the relevant factors supporting [closed local government meetings](#) found in Section 90 of the *Community Charter*.

Staff also included the minutes from the July 24, 2023 Executive Meeting, and both the Open and In Camera Minutes from the October 13th, 2023 Executive Meeting for approval.

The AVICC Executive supported the proposed policy overall, and made the following recommendations for edits:

- Current members of the AVICC Executive should have access to in camera minutes. If the Committee Member had a conflict of interest, it is at the discretion of the Chair/Table Officers to release the minutes to that individual.
- Consistency in the Policy with respect to the terms "Executive Board" and "Executive Committee" to reflect the language in our existing policies.
- Include language in the Policy that it is at the discretion of the Board to Rise and Report after the in camera meeting goes back into an open meeting.

On motion by Director Fowler, seconded by Past President Morrison
THAT the AVICC Executive direct staff to incorporate the recommended edits to the In Camera Policy and bring it back to the Jan 12th meeting was CARRIED

On motion by 1st Vice President Geselbracht, seconded by Director Fowler
THAT the AVICC Executive adopt the July 24, 2023, October 13, 2023 Open and October 13, 2023 In Camera Executive Meeting Minutes (as presented) was CARRIED

b. AVICC Archival Records

At the July 2023 Executive Meeting, the AVICC Executive were informed about the boxes of convention supplies and hard-copy records that are currently in storage at UBCM's Local Government House in Victoria. AVICC Staff were informed by UBCM Senior Staff that we could temporarily continue to store AVICC's boxes in UBCM's storage area until AVICC was able to find alternative storage or UBCM needed the space, with no set deadline. Estimates at that time for a storage unit large enough to store AVICC's boxes would cost the Association \$1500 per year.

Part 3 - Division 2 - Society Records of the Societies Act (the Act) specifies the type of records that must be kept by a society, including documents such as our Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, constitution (Executive Policies), our register of directors, the minutes of our meetings, copies of resolutions, and financial statements. The Act also states that a society is not required to keep records if 10 years have passed since the record was created or updated. Records can be in either electronic or hard copy format, and must be available for inspection at our registered office. We are not a local government, and thus not subject to the same "Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act" legislation as local governments.

As reported through the transition process, AVICC files are kept and accessed electronically on a server, as well as backed up to an external hard drive located in the Executive Coordinator's home office. AVICC's Executive Coordinator, our financial consultant, and our IT consultant, currently have access to AVICC's electronic files.

The Executive was asked consider the following boxes of records to provide direction to Staff:

- Records starting from 2010 to present are available electronically for inspection per the Act. This includes 12 boxes of archival records currently in storage.
- Records from 1950 to 2009 are not available electronically. This includes 4 boxes of archival records. It is not required that we keep records older than 10 years.
- The archival information on the AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste Management is available through AVICC's electronic records. The VICC- Committee on Solid Waste and Circular Economy (VICC-CSWCE) Chair, AVICC 1st Vice President Geselbracht, has indicated that he would like the hard-copy records from the AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste Management for the new Committee.
- There is a box of unlabeled photos, predating the early 2000s. Staff was unable to identify most of the people in the photos, but there may be value in keeping some or all of the photos.

There was general support for the staff recommendations. It was also suggested that we could display some of the photos at our convention to get members to identify the subjects of the photos. Staff could use any in a slide show that do have people identified in them who can give permission to use the photos. Videos and photos exist online in the current days, and perhaps because of the age of the photos, displaying them at convention wouldn't present a risk to the organization. Staff was asked to reach out to MIABC about the use of the photos.

On motion by EA Representative McMahon, seconded by Director Fowler
THAT the AVICC Executive direct staff to destroy AVICC's hard-copy archival records dating from 2010 to present that are also stored electronically was CARRIED

On motion by 2nd Vice President Craig, seconded by EA Representative McMahon
THAT the AVICC Executive direct staff to give the box of hard-copy archival records relating to the AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste Management to the Chair of the Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Committee on Solid Waste and Circular Economy was CARRIED

4. CONVENTION

a. 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention Planning

Theresa Dennison presented a report that requested direction on session planning for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention, including options for the Keynote Speaker, sessions, study tours, and Provincial Representative address. Registration will open in early February and a brochure will be sent to members and other potential delegates, including programming information. Session topics should be identified before registration opens to gain interest in the event. The first draft of the program is published by early March, although the program isn't finalized until immediately prior to the convention dates.

The following options are available, and are tentatively holding April 12, 2024 for the AVICC Convention Keynote until a decision is made:

- Chief John Alan Jack
- Diane Kalen-Sukra's
- Jeff Lehman

The three available options are tentatively saving the date for our convention and should be informed of our selection so they can confirm or release the hold. Each option comes with a different fee, and this decision impacts the budget that will be presented for consideration later in this meeting. Staff requested direction on a keynote speaker for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention.

On motion by Past President Morrison, seconded by Director Fowler
 THAT Diane Kalen-Sukra be confirmed as the Keynote Speaker for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention and that feedback be provided by the Executive was CARRIED

It was recommended that a meeting be set up with Diane, Theresa, Past President Morrison and Director Fowler to discuss topics for the address. The topics that were brought forward by Executive members as options included *"Fostering Social Cohesion"* and *"Culture Risk: The Need to be Intentional About Culture"*. Staff will set up a meeting for further discussion.

A call out for session proposals was sent to all members, as well as several other AVICC partners and organizations who have expressed interest and posted on our website in late October with a December 4th deadline. There are 10 sessions to fill for the convention, including 3 plenary sessions (one each day), a 2-hour workshop for Friday morning, and 6 concurrent workshops that take place on Saturday afternoon.

A total of 19 proposals were submitted by December 14th, 2023. Staff asked the Executive to conduct a poll to prioritize the sessions, based on the level of interest for the sessions, as well as the relevance to AVICC members.

In addition, President Cote noted that the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District will be submitting a session on inclusive governance that would be an interesting session that could . Another potential session could be on the modern treaty process- Provincial representatives on the Treaty Committee have been contacted to see if they can do a session on the implications of the modern treaty process on local governments.

Staff asked the Executive to rank the session proposals.

There was a break at 10:26am while staff formatted the results of the poll.

The meeting resumed at 10:43.

Staff shared the poll results with the AVICC Executive. They provided feedback on the options, including the proposals most highly ranked.

- On short term rentals proposal, it would be important to hear how the new legislation applies to regional districts.
- Elected officials are dealing with toxicity online and in person by residents. Elected officials need tools to survive in this toxic world as many have had threats. Elected officials need to know how to say no to residents when they are asking for services – especially in smaller communities with a smaller tax bases. Elected officials should also

know they have the right to refuse unsafe work. Codes of Conduct are not enforced, or can have negative implications on elected officials on both sides of the process. We should speak about inclusivity as well as safety. There was a session at UBCM about mental health that spoke to this briefly, and staff should reach out to the facilitator of that session, Tracey Lorenson, to inquire about a session on personal safety. The session should be a Plenary and be recorded for future educational opportunities.

- *Housing Housing Housing* is an important session that could be combined with Ministry of Housing Short-term Rental proposal.
- How does UBCM action resolutions; what is their process. They have a resolutions committee that determines which endorsed resolutions should be the focus of advocacy beyond letter writing. Could we do a session on “is the resolutions process broken?” Could we ask UBCM to clarify their process; it was identified that at UBCM they indicated that this process could be changing. It would also be interesting to know how many resolutions are endorsed in a block.
- There is a desire for more interactive activities in sessions.
- Housing, Habitat and Health/Safety seem to be the focus.
- CivX did a session on housing in small and rural communities in BC- flag it as a possible replacement workshop if needed.
- Plenary Sessions and the 2-hour workshop should all be panels or interactive workshop format. The following sessions were flagged as potential plenary or pre-convention workshop sessions:
 - Inclusivity and Personal Safety for Elected Officials
 - Housing Housing Housing should be paired with Ministry of Housing Short-Term Rental proposal
 - Women Transforming Cities- TRC Calls to Action and Young Anderson UNDRIP sessions could be combined and should speak to the applicability to local government and touch on practical impacts such as rezoning and being required to enter into servicing agreements. Some First Nations are expecting the services to be provided at no cost; how should this be handled?
 - Could BC Hydro and Fortis collaborate on one session together, could be plenary or concurrent workshop
 - Oceans Protection Plan, BC Seafood Association and Pacific Salmon Foundation could be combined as a plenary or concurrent workshop, although it is not necessarily directly relevant to local government
 - A great pre-conference workshop or plenary session on Inclusive Governance could have break-out groups and a facilitator

Staff was asked to select sessions based on the rankings, feedback from the Executive, and sponsor availability and bring recommendations to the January 12th meeting.

The Executive also wanted to ensure that we include quick updates from the following representatives on external committees:

- CVRD Director Daniel Arbor, Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Aquaculture Management Advisory Committee (AMAC) for Shellfish
- RDN Chair Vanessa Craig, Department of Fisheries & Oceans: Southern Resident Killer Whale Indigenous & Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Group and Transport Canada, Oceans Protection Plan: Salish Sea Strategy Joint Planning Committee
- City of Nanaimo Councillor Ben Geselbracht, VICC Committee on Solid Waste and Circular

Economy

The host community typically arranges study tours for the Convention. CFB Esquimalt was suggested as a possible study tour, and we have had two additional study tour submissions. The Executive may wish to suggest additional tours. Staff have been in communications with BC Transit regarding transportation for these tours. The suggested tours to date are as follows:

- The District of Metchosin and their Agriculture Advisory Committee offered to host an **agriculture tour** as a part of the AVICC conference in April
- One of our long-time sponsors, Western Forest Products, has recommended a tour of the **Saanich Forestry Centre and Tree Nursery**, highlighting their tree nursery and seed orchard.
- AVICC Staff has been in contact with CFB Esquimalt for information about a potential tour, and have been informed that the request is under consideration. They are aware that program planning would be confirmed at the January 12th 2024 meeting.

On motion by 1st Vice President Geselbracht, seconded by EA Representative McMahon THAT the following study tours be confirmed for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention:

- (a) The District of Metchosin and their Agriculture Advisory Committee's Agriculture Tour; and
(b) Western Forest Products' Saanich Forestry Centre and Tree Nursery Tour was CARRIED

In 2018, 2019, and in 2022, the former Premier of BC, John Horgan attended the convention and addressed our delegates. In 2023, an invitation was sent to Premier David Eby and to Hon. Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs. Both the Premier and the Minister of Municipal affairs were unable to attend, and Minister Kang sent a video address to share with our delegates. Hon. Sheila Malcolmson, MLA Nanaimo attended in person and addressed our delegates, as the Convention took place in Nanaimo.

Premier Eby attended the 2023 AVICC Luncheon at UBCM in September, and following this, staff reached out to the Premier's staff to check his availability for the 2024 AVICC Convention. Premier Eby's staff have already indicated that he would not be able to attend the 2024 AVICC Convention in April 2024. Staff is requesting direction on who should be invited to address our delegates from the Province of BC.

An invite could be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to address our delegates. The Executive may also want to consider inviting one of the regional MLAs for the address.

On motion by 1st Vice President Geselbracht, seconded by Director Fowler

THAT Minister of Municipal Affairs, Anne Kang be invited to address our delegates in person at the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention was CARRIED

(EA Representative McMahon opposed)

On motion by Director Fowler, seconded by Past President Morrison

THAT the report on Program Planning for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention be received was CARRIED

b. 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention Planning and Budget

Theresa Dennison presented an update on planning for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention, including information about the Host Community, event venue, accommodations, catering, the

banquet, Audio-Visual Services and the AVICC Election, which is open to member non-delegates for 2024.

The revenue from sponsors allows AVICC to keep its registration fees low while delivering a high-quality convention. There is good space for trade show exhibitors at VCC, and this will help attract sponsors and trade show participants. At the July 24th meeting, the AVICC Executive approved all returning sponsors to contribute for 2024. In 2023, there was a total of \$70,500 in sponsorship contributions. With the addition of the recordings of the sessions in 2024, sponsors will receive the resulting increased exposure as a benefit. Staff has increased the sponsorship contribution amounts by \$500 for all tiers, which now range from \$3000 to \$6500.

There have been two new requests from organizations who would like to sponsor for the first time in 2024 from the BC General Employees Union (BCGEU), who is a Group 2 Sponsor and Capital Region Emergency Service telecommunications (CREST) Emergency Communications, who is a Group 1 Sponsor, and does not require approval.

On motion by 2nd Vice President Craig, seconded by Director Dorward
THAT the AVICC Executive approve the BC General Employees Union and CREST Emergency Communications as sponsors for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention was CARRIED

One of the benefits for Sponsors is a guaranteed booth in the trade show at the convention. In 2024, there is space for a maximum of 26 booths, including two in the pre-function area. Staff is anticipating that 16-18 sponsors will want booths this year, leaving 8-10 additional booths for non-sponsors.

The following organizations would like a booth at our trade show at the rate of \$2000:

- Victoria Residential Builders Association (new)
- Western Canada Marine Response (returning, 2023)
- Managed Forest Council (returning, 2023)
- BC Wildfire Service, Ministry of Forests (returning, 2022)
- The Stewardship Centre of BC (new)

If the Executive would like to guarantee any (or all) of the interested organizations for booths at this time, there would be no risk of displacing sponsors, as several returning sponsors have already declined their booths.

On motion by Past President Morrison, seconded by 1st Vice President Geselbracht
THAT the AVICC Executive approve the following organizations for trade show booths at the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention:

- Victoria Residential Builders Association (new);
- Western Canada Marine Response (returning, 2023);
- Managed Forest Council (returning, 2023);
- BC Wildfire Service, Ministry of Forests (returning, 2022); and
- The Stewardship Centre of BC (new) was CARRIED

It was recommended that Don Lidstone could be asked to provide a business services area at the convention.

The 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention marks the 75th anniversary of our first AGM. At the October 13, 2023 Executive meeting, staff requested recommendations on how we can celebrate this in a unique way, without adding much to the budget. President Cote has suggested to staff that we could ask an Indigenous artist from our region to design a special AVICC logo, incorporating the culture of the Indigenous peoples on the territories occupied by AVICC members, that celebrates our 75th anniversary, and to have the design included on a pin for delegates in attendance at the convention. The cost of the pins is about \$500. This cost, as well as an honorarium for the artist who designs the logo could come from the TAC reserve fund as a way to advance reconciliation in the region. The logo could be done just for the convention/pins, built around the current logo, and not be our new branding.

A proposed draft of the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention Budget was presented with the following considerations in mind:

- The 2023 convention registration fees at AVICC were significantly lower than all of the other area associations under UBCM. For 2024, staff is proposing an increase of \$20 or \$30 to the member business session registration fee, a \$30 increase to the Banquet, and increases to the pre-convention session fees.
- Based on attendance at our convention in 2022 and 2023, the registration revenue included in the budget for 2024 is based on 280 paid delegates, and accounts for the complimentary registrations given to sponsors and guests of AVICC.
- The City of Nanaimo and the Regional District of Nanaimo, as joint 2023 hosts, provided many of the “extras” as part of their host community agreement, including delegate donation gifts, honoraria, entertainment, centrepieces and tradeshow expenses (a total of \$7500.) In 2024, the City of Victoria has offered \$1000 to cover these items, and the intent is to offset the rest of these costs with the room contributions, and the contributions from members in the CRD as requested by the Host Community. The total estimated budget included from host community and room contributions is \$10K.
- Food and Beverage costs will be significantly higher in Victoria than in Nanaimo. Special consideration has been given to the Banquet ticket costs, as the increase here is the most significant, and if price is a barrier for member participation, the banquet is optional. The costs include reduced coffee break snack offerings, but it also factors in some additional coffee refreshes as needed.
- Audio-visual costs will increase from \$24K in 2023 to \$47K, which is a \$23K increase. The base A/V costs significantly increased year over year, and the addition of video recording added an additional \$12K to the quote. This has already been confirmed.

The AVICC Convention revenues are used to offset the operational costs of the organization. A proposed 2024 budget will be presented at the January 2024 Executive meeting for consideration and approval. It will be updated with any feedback provided at this meeting, and any additional information uncovered through the 2023 year-end reports and audit.

On motion by Director Fowler, seconded by EA Representative McMahon
THAT the meeting be extended to 1:00pm was

CARRIED

2nd Vice President Craig left the meeting at 12:19pm.

On motion by 1st Vice President Geselbracht, seconded by Past President Morrison
THAT the registration fees for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention be set as follows:

- (a) Member Business Sessions at a rate of \$400
- (b) Non-Member Business Sessions at a rate of \$480
- (c) The Banquet ticket at a rate of \$125
- (d) The Partner Ticket to the Friday Welcome Session at a rate of \$45
- (e) The Friday Forums at a rate of \$55
- (f) The Study Tours at a rate of \$40; and
- (g) The pre-convention workshop at a rate of \$30;

THAT the budget for the 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention as amended in the December 15, 2023 Report on Convention Planning and Budget by approved; and

THAT the report on 2024 AVICC AGM & Convention Planning be received was CARRIED

5. POLICY

a. **Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Committee on Solid Waste and Circular Economy**

Staff provided an update on the VICC-CSWCE that has replaced the defunct AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste Management with this new member-led Committee. All nine participating regional district boards endorsed the Terms of Reference and appointed elected representatives to the VICC-CSWCE. AVICC facilitated one additional meeting that took place on November 24, 2023, at which they adopted their Terms of Reference, elected their Chair and Vice Chair, and selected an organization to provide administrative services.

At the July 24, 2023 AVICC Executive Meeting, staff was directed to facilitate the additional committee meeting (held on November 24, 2023) and to confirm with AVICC's accountant, KPMG, that the funds for the Committee could be transferred to the Regional District of Nanaimo, who will take over the management of the funds for the Committee, without any financial or legal implications. KPMG confirmed that they are not aware of any reason why we cannot make the transfer. The AVICC Executive must approve the transfer of funds before staff can make the transfer.

On motion by Director Fowler, seconded by Past President Morrison

THAT the AVICC Executive

1. receive the report on the Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Committee on Solid Waste Management and Circular Economy; and
2. approve the \$12,374 currently held in reserve with AVICC for activities relating to the AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste Management be transferred to the Regional District of Nanaimo to be held in reserve for use by the new Vancouver Island and Coastal Community Committee on Solid Waste and Circular Economy was CARRIED

b. **AVICC ADVOCACY: 2023 ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES & 2024 PLANNING**

One of the primary functions of AVICC is as an advocacy organization for its members, and at the 2022 AVICC AGM & Convention, the following resolution was endorsed by membership:

Therefore be it resolved that the AVICC membership endorse the Executive's recommendations as set out in the December 10, 2021 "[Advocacy Workshop Report and Recommendations](#)" that AVICC will:

1. *continue with its current Core Member Advocacy initiatives such as holding an annual*

- convention, providing resolution assistance, letter writing on policy issues on behalf of members, and meeting with ministers and ministry staff on behalf of the membership;*
2. *continue to provide and expand its role in acting as a 'facilitator' or 'advocacy incubator' for initiatives that would benefit from more dialogue and education in consultation with the membership's requests; and*
 3. *not take on the roles of: lead/organizer for committee work and initiatives; developing policy papers; or acting as a manager of programs.*

Since that time, the previous Executive Coordinator resigned for another position with UBCM, and the current Executive Coordinator was hired and onboarded in time to ensure that the 2023 Convention was successful. After Convention, staff facilitated an operational transition away from UBCM. Now that the transition is complete, and the current staff person has been in their role for over a year, there is staff capacity to resume advocacy activities at AVICC.

As described in the October 13, 2023 report the Executive, in 2023, AVICC performed the following advocacy activities:

- Facilitated transition of the AVICC Special Committee for Solid Waste Management to the member-led Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Committee on Solid Waste and Circular Economy;
- Conveyed the endorsed 2023 AVICC Regional Resolutions to the Province and Federal Governments;
- Facilitated and attended minister meetings on behalf of members at the 2023 UBCM Convention on the matters of:
 - R3: Watershed Security Strategy and Fund;
 - R4: E&N Land Grant Biodiversity and Restoration; and
 - R5: Recapitalization of Island Coastal Economic Trust; and
- Presented a letter to the Premier from President Cote on behalf of AVICC members on the matter of Recapitalization of Island Coastal Economic Trust; and
- Facilitated a Q&A Session with Premier David Eby at the AVICC Luncheon at the UBCM Convention, including questions on the matters of the modernization of the *Local Government Act* and solutions for housing shortages in regional and recreational areas.

The AVICC Executive has recommended that as part of our advocacy role for our members that we host virtual “lunch and learn” sessions. To successfully execute a session such as this, the timing should be given careful consideration. As of February of each year (within 60 days of the AVICC Convention), staff has limited capacity to focus on anything other than convention. It is also recommended that the timing avoids summer (due to vacations), September (due to the UBCM Convention) and December (due to the holidays). Staff suggests that a “lunch and learn” session could take place in January, June, October, or November.

It was also noted that LGLA also does a virtual education offering. The Executive generally supported doing a lunch and learn session in June and in the Fall. We could ask for session feedback at convention and/or online. This could allow us to take a deeper dive on sessions from Convention. It was identified that while an annual plan is great, but there may be emergent issues as we get closer to the dates of the sessions. Promotion at convention will be important.

Building on the session on personal safety for elected officials may be a great start for the June session.

On motion by Director Fowler, seconded by EA Representative McMahon
THAT the report on AVICC Advocacy be received for information was CARRIED

c. EMAIL COMMUNICATION: Multijurisdictional Resolution: Libraries Funding

Staff shared an email interaction that took place between two member representatives and AVICC Staff, that also involved input from President Cote. The members requested advice on how to best highlight to the Province that libraries are in need of further funding.

1st Vice President Geselbracht left the meeting at 12:43pm

On motion by Past President Morrison, seconded by Director Fowler
THAT Staff work with President Cote to write a letter to all members encouraging them to submit a resolution on Libraries Funding was CARRIED

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the AVICC Executive is set for Friday January 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. to be held via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:49 on motion by Past President Morrison, seconded by Director Fowler
THAT the meeting be adjourned was CARRIED