



MINUTES
Gwaii Trust Board Meeting
March 7, 2024, 6:30 – 9:00 pm
Via Zoom

In Attendance:	Representing:	Area Director	Area Alternate
	Graham Island Central	Maureen Bailey	Berry Wijdeven
	Graham Island South	Clyde Greenough	
	Area 'E'	Flavien Mabit	Laurie Chisholm
	Graham Island North	Bret Johnston	Terry Carty
	Skidegate Band Council	Billy Yovanovich	
	CHN Old Massett	Lisa Hageman	
	Old Massett Village Council	Freda Davis	
	CHN Skidegate	Gidin Jaad Erica Reid	
Chair & Staff:	Chair	Huux Percy Crosby	
	Executive Director	Carla Lutner	
	Finance & Admin. Assistant	Ruby Decock	

Regrets:

Note: The following is an accurate reporting of the meetings as they occurred, however these minutes are not to be construed as a verbatim report of all conversations that transpired, but rather a reflection of the outcome of those discussions, where necessary members have been quoted as closely as possible.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm .

2. Excusals

As noted.

3. Message from the Chair

The Chair expressed how busy and excited he was with the progress of the Athlii Gwaii Legacy Trust.

4. Amendments to the agenda.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

5. Call for adoption of the agenda.

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Moved by: Gidin Jaad Reid

Seconded by: Billy Yovanovich

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda

The following items were adopted as presented.

a) Previous Minutes:



- i. Board Business & Allocation Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2024
- ii. Board Business Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2024
- b) Executive Director Report
 - i. December 2023 Audit Dashboard
 - ii. December 2023 Financials
- c) Committee Reports
 - i. Executive Committee Report
 - ii. Youth Board Committee Report

Moved by: Maureen Bailey
Seconded by: Bret Johnston **CARRIED**

7. Action Items

The Executive Director provided an update on the action items.

8. Gwaii Trust Society's 30th Anniversary – September 2024

The Chair reminded the Board to consider how the Board would like to celebrate or recognize Gwaii Trust Society's 30th Anniversary.

9. Honoraria Claims Process

The Executive Director discussed how the current honoraria payments are processed and proposed changing the honoraria payment system. The Gwaii Trust Board approved that Staff to use the attendance taken at meetings to approve honoraria payment.

ACTION ITEM – Add reimbursement of internet expenses process to next agenda.

Moved by: Clyde Greenough
Seconded by: Bret Johnston **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 - 05**

10. Victims of Fraud Policy

The Executive Director presented the Victims of Fraud Policy with the updated changes and the Gwaii Trust Society Board approved the policy.

Moved by: Clyde Greenough
Seconded by: Flavien Mabit **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 - 06**

"IN CAMERA" All program discussion is held in camera: {GTS Policy: In camera sessions will be called to deal with issues of personnel, legal, financial matters and program allocation decisions. After the Board has taken a decision, the results become public and will be published}.

11. All Island Protocol Table

The Executive Director provided background on the All-Island Protocol Table allocation in the 2024 budget. The Gwaii Trust Board declined the All-Island Protocol leader's request to have the Chair attend their March 27, 2024 meeting.



ACTION ITEM - Executive Director to send letter to All-Island Protocol Table informing the Gwaii Trust Society decision on budget and identify in letter the reasons behind the decision for the project funding.

12. Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee Recommendation

The Gwaii Trust Society Board discussed and approved the following Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee recommendation:

That an endowment fund in the name of Literacy Haida Gwaii be set up within the Foundation and that donations up to \$50,000 be matched in the first year. As of March 2024, this will mean that \$150,000 of the \$500,000 Foundation matching project approved has been committed.

Moved by: Bret Johnston
Seconded by: Flavien Mabit **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 - 07**

13. Personnel Policy Ad-Hoc Committee Recommendation

The Gwaii Trust Society Board discussed and approved the Personnel Policy Ad Hoc Committee’s recommendation:

After several rounds of review and revision, the Ad Hoc Committee would like to recommend that the Gwaii Trust Personnel Policy and Procedures drafted by Harbour West be approved by the Board of Directors.

Moved by: Flavien Mabit
Seconded by: Clyde Greenough **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 - 08**

14. Youth Board Committee Recommendations

The Gwaii Trust Youth Board reviewed 7 grants and recommended the Gwaii Trust Society Board approve 6 of the grants with the following conditions:

Applicant Name	Project Name	Conditions	Amount
Sk’aadgaa Naay Elementary School	Grade 7 trip to T’aalan Stl’ang	N/A	\$ 10,000.00
Skidegate Saints	Pacific Unity U18 Summer Series	N/A	\$ 5,182.00
Haida Gwaii Regional Recreation Commission	HG Recreation Summer Day Camp Program 2024	N/A	\$ 10,000.00
Haida Gwaii Regional Recreation Commission	GKNS Weight Room Youth-Led Upgrades	N/A	\$ 4,663.71
Haida Gwaii Youth Soccer League	Haida Gwaii Youth Soccer League 2024	N/A	\$ 9,116.97
Haida Gwaii Regional Recreation Commission	Cat Leaps Gymnastics on Haida Gwaii	N/A	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL			\$ 41,962.68



Director Clyde Greenough declared a conflict with the Soccer application.

Director Gidin Jaad declared a conflict with the SNES application.

Moved by: Billy Yovanovich
Seconded by: Flavien Mabit **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 – 09**

15. Community Innovations Grant

The Gwaii Trust Board reviewed 4 Community Innovation grant applications and approved all 4 of the grants with the following conditions:

Applicant Name	Project Name	Conditions	Amount
Laskeek Bay Conservation Society	Laskeek Baby Conservation Society Cultural Writer	N/A	\$ 10,000.00
Swiilawiid Sustainability Society	Haida Gwaii Renewable Energy Symposium 3.0	N/A	\$ 10,000.00
Sk'aadgaa Naay Elementary School	Sk'aadgaa Naay Basketball Academy	N/A	\$ 5,000.00
Haida Gwaii Skating Society	Haida Gwaii Hockey Association	N/A	\$ 10,000.00
TOTAL			\$ 35,000.00

Moved by: Flavien Mabit
Seconded by: Maureen Bailey **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 – 10**

16. Next meeting date

In person meeting on April 6, 2024 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Haida House in Tlall.

Ruby Decock left the meeting at 7:12 pm.

17. In Camera

The Board went in camera at 7:12 pm

The Gwaii Trust Society motioned for members of the Athlii Gwaii Working group committee to attend the final approval of Bill 8 Athlii Gwaii (winding up) Act in Victoria and have a fluent Haida speaker attend.

Moved by: Bret Johnston
Seconded by: Maureen Bailey **CARRIED** **DR #24 03 07 – 11**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Moved by: Freda Davis **CARRIED**

ACTION ITEMS:



- Executive Director to discuss the new Museum Support Fund with museums on Haida Gwaii (December 6, 2023) In Progress.
- Add reimbursement of internet expenses process to next agenda (March 7, 2024).
- Executive Director to send letter to All-Island Protocol Table informing the Gwaii Trust Society decision on budget and identify in letter the reasons behind the decision for the project funding (March 7, 2024).

Huux Percy Crosby, Chair

Carla Lutner, Executive Director

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