



**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
January 19, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Ellen Smith, Chair  
Zoya Hussain, Vice Chair  
Abraham Amusan  
Carter Barss  
Jane Elliot  
Krystal Mutyabule  
Cyril Jurdak O'Brien

**REGRETS:** Truelee Love  
James MacNeil  
Solomon Omweno

**STAFF:** Becca Bishop, Community Developer, Youth Section  
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant  
Kim Johnson, Legislative Support

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*The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m. and recessed at 6:30 p.m. The Committee reconvened at 6:34 p.m. The Committee adjourned at 6:39 p.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

The Committee introduced themselves and provided updates on recent activities.

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 17, 2022**

MOVED by Krystal Mutyabule, seconded by Abraham Amusan

**THAT the minutes of November 17, 2022 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Jane Elliot, seconded by Carter Barss

**THAT the agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

## **5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

## **6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

### **7.1 Correspondence – None**

### **7.2 Petitions – None**

### **7.3 Presentations**

#### **7.3.1 Ecology Action Centre**

Joanna Bell, Community Engagement Manager spoke to the history, methods of engagement, and current action areas of the Ecology Action Centre, and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

The Committee provided input on strategies for engaging youth, including visiting schools and partnering with social media influencers to increase reach on social media platforms.

## **8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

## **9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

### **9.1 STAFF**

#### **9.1.1 Discussion on Youth Summit**

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Becca Bishop, Community Developer, Youth Section spoke to the potential of hosting a Youth Summit in 2023, to align with National Youth Week and indicated that the Committee would be consulted during the planning process.

## **9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES**

### **9.2.1 Review of Correspondence to the Executive Standing Committee**

The Chair spoke to preparing correspondence to the Executive Standing Committee in follow up to the Committees' meet and greet on November 1, 2022, noting it would be circulated to the Committee for review prior to submission.

## **10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

## **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 16, 2023**

Ellen Smith provided their resignation from the Committee effective February 17, 2023.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Kim Johnson  
Legislative Support