

Draft Minutes
Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Youth Council
July 23, 2007, Youth Centre, Haines Junction, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Participants:

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Review May 12, 2007 Youth GA Minutes:

Add Nigel's name to the list of participants.

Youth Council Name:

Use the Southern Tutchone word for "future".

Council Structure:

- **Community Representatives** - Youth present agreed the council community representatives should parallel the six GA delegate community areas, i.e. Takhini, Whitehorse, Aishihik/Canyon, Haines/Klukshu/Shawshe, Haines Junction, and Champagne.
- **Scheduling** - Youth Council meetings and activities should primarily be scheduled for winter, as that is when youth are more available. Some were not able to attend this meeting due to summer jobs.
- **Attendance** - Suggestion for terms of reference: council reps who miss two meetings without providing notice should no longer be on the Council.
- **Youth GA delegates** – youth who are already GA delegates (like Fred Stick Jr.) should be included in Youth Council meetings.
- **Working with Chief and Council/Elders Senate** – need to spend time developing how the Youth Council should work with these two bodies.
- **Chair** – wait till the next meeting when more are present to select the Chair.

Action: Youth Council members will review the provided info on setting up a Youth Council, terms of reference, effective meetings, etc.

Youth Council Orientation:

The Council would like to have an orientation session (like C&C or GA delegates) to give them a better understanding of the CAFN government.

Budget and Honoraria:

Finance updated on July 19 that the Youth Council has \$2,993 remaining in their budget for FY 07/08 (and the new account number for Youth Council is 420). This is not sufficient to carry them through the year. \$9,000 was suggested as a good working figure to carry out meetings/activities. Youth will also fundraise to help with expenses.

Youth requested to receive an honoraria of \$50 for the July 23 meeting as an interim amount until their terms of reference are developed.

2007 General Assembly:

The Youth Council would like to introduce themselves at the GA, update all that they are in the process of developing their structure, and host a booth with questionnaires and a 50/50 raffle to fundraise.

Action Items:

1. **Nigel** will set up a booth at the GA, and do the first shift on Friday.
2. **Andy & Shanita** will staff the booth on Saturday.
3. **?** will staff the booth on Sunday (any youth is fine).
4. **Shanita** will prepare posters about the Council and a box for the questionnaire.
5. **Amy** will bring copies of the Youth GA minutes.
6. **Josh** will prepare and bring copies of a questionnaire asking 1) “What should the name of the Youth Council be?”, and 2) “What is your number 1 priority for the new CAFN Youth Council?”. Questionnaire participants’ names will be entered in a draw. Josh needs to find prizes for the draw. Maybe he can get the Latitude cell phone that’s being donated?
7. **Josh** will request time on the GA agenda Friday afternoon or later for the Youth Council to introduce themselves and provide a brief update.
8. **Josh** will draft a GA resolution requesting sufficient funding for the Youth Council (\$9,000 suggested for fiscal year 2007-08) and requesting a permanent Youth Council coordinator.
9. **Josh** will make sure three rolls of 50/50 tickets are purchased and brought to the GA (need three different colors).
10. **Josh** will have his head shaved if the Youth Council fundraises more than \$1,000 during the GA???!!!
11. **All Youth Council Members**, Amy, Rose, & Josh will meet Friday at lunch at the GA to discuss what they wish to tell the General Assembly. (overview of Youth GA and July 23 meeting, who is on Youth Council, why we need a youth council, #1 goal this year to build a functioning youth council).
12. **Youth** – perform a 50s or 60s song during Ken’s banquet.

Goals and Ideas:

- Make a trip to Haines to learn about their government and youth council

- Hold open mic jam sessions at the Youth Centre on Saturday nights – need a drum set, turntables, etc.
- Keep improving the Youth Centre. Greenhouse staff could help with the yardwork/beautifying.
- Build a functioning Youth Council.
- Prepare and distribute monthly or weekly youth newsletters. Could also have a web page.
- Fred Stick Jr. put his name forward to assist the Youth Council coordinator, when one is selected. Also put his name forward to work at the Youth Centre.
- Hold a naming centre for CAFN youth w/o Southern Tutchone names.
- Prep certificates for youth receiving ST names.

Next Steps:

- Secure a budget and continue fundraising.
- Select a chair.
- Develop the structure and terms of reference for the Youth Council with assistance from a CAFN government staff-person.
- Hold a visioning session with a facilitator to set goals and develop a vision statement.
- Get contact info for all Youth Council members.

Next Youth Council Meeting:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1 P.M.

Adjourned: 2 p.m.