

**SUMMER QUARTERLY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

International Kootenay Lake Board of Control

**Microsoft Teams Meeting
hosted by ECCC**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2022
2:30 – 4:00 PM (PDT)**

Membership

	Canada	United States
Chair	Dave Hutchinson	Colonel Xander Bullock
Members	Ted White	Roy Bartholomay
Secretariat	Martin Suchy	Sonja Michelsen
IJC Advisors	Rob Caldwell	Adam Greely Avni Solanki

Agenda (all times PDT)

2:30	Welcome & Review 17May Meeting Minutes	Col. Bullock (5 mins)
2:35	Hydrologic Update	Martin Suchy (5 mins)
2:40	Review DRAFT IJC Letter	Sonja Michelsen (15 mins)
2:55	Funding Proposal	Martin Suchy (5 mins)
3:00	Work Plan Update	Sonja Michelsen (15 mins)
3:15	Board Expansion Deliberation	All (30 mins)
3:45	Grohman Narrows Visualization Tool Update	Martin Suchy (5 mins)
3:50	Round Table	All (10 mins)
4:00	Adjourn	

Attachments (in email)

DRAFT 20220517 Kootenay Board Meeting Minutes vs4.docx
IKLBC ORDER Recommendation Letter DRAFT_20220615.docx
IKLBC WorkPlan_2022-23_DRAFT_20220614.docx
20220405_Board_Expansion_Considerations.pdf
IKLBC_ORDER_DELIBERATIONS_20220512.docx

Minutes

Welcome & Review 17May Meeting Minutes

Col. Bullock (5 mins)

COL Bullock began the meeting by summarizing the past meeting. All board members and secretaries were present. Additional IJC staff included Rob Caldwell, Adam Greely, and Jeff Kart.

Hydrologic Update

Martin Suchy (5 mins)

Martin Suchy summarized the hydrologic conditions. Essentially there had been a large snowpack and rain in the last week, which lead to high flows in British Columbia (including into Kootenay Lake).

Review DRAFT IJC Letter

Sonja Michelsen (15 mins)

The proposed draft letter on the Order Review was approved with no opposition. Particular appreciation toward the concise nature. Suggested adding a line about transmitting the information paper.

Funding Proposal

Martin Suchy (5 mins)

Martin proposed putting together an IWI proposal for the climate change assessment. The board agreed to develop a draft proposal, with the initial intent to submit the project during the IWI fall funding cycle. Considering putting in an IWI proposal to develop the scope and utilizing external resources. IJC has funding that could be used. Suggested a general study process including atmospheric analysis > hydro model > reservoir operations (under current ops and current order). Request setting metrics upfront and be specific on what information to review.

Work Plan Update

Sonja Michelsen (15 mins)

The board updated the current work plan for the recently completed Information Paper, the Kootenay Lake Visualization Tool and adding language for the proposed climate change vulnerability study, and an intent to increase board membership.

Board Expansion Deliberation

All (30 mins)

Board wants a gradual expansion. Paul Allen said he has terms of reference to state members responsibilities, will share. Expect the general process will include deliberation by the board, solicitation of interest by new member, and nomination to the IJC (possibly including letter and CV?). The board should explicitly state the value-added for each new member when presenting to IJC. Important to maintain binational parity. The IKLBC wants to expand by 1 member / section initially, to see if that meets the need. If additional expansion is required, will reassess. The IKLBC also wanted to send a letter to the IJC stating their interest to expand the board and

requesting approval. The letter will also state the board's goals, along with reiterating inclusion, diversity, and the incremental changes it proposes. The board believes a bigger membership will aid with the order review process and the board believes it should focus new membership with a focus on environment, traditional knowledge, socio-economic, and local network and interests. The board also wants to establish a clear metric for assessing new members..

Grohman Narrows Visualization Tool Update

Martin Suchy (5 mins)

Martin provided an update on the project by sharing the tool mock-up which was created by the contractor. The proposed tool will allow users to select dry, average or wet inflow and outflow rates, plus a selection of water level objectives, such as IJC rule curve, flood risk level, erosion levels, and shoal spawning and fry emergence levels.

Round Table

All (10 mins)

Nothing in notes.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned on time.