

# ACW PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thursday, April 12, 2012  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Room 310  
ACWI, 181 Higgins Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB

Good day! My brief report for April /12

## **Tripartite**

This year's Workplan and Budget was presented to the Joint Management Committee on Friday, March 23/12. The province will flow our 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter payment based on this draft. I will make a few revisions to the document for the Office of the Federal Interlocutor and then Jeff will take it through his Peer Review process for approval by his department. We are currently completing the final progress and year end financial statements for submission to both departments.

## **Reporting by Portfolio**

Women: Barbara Nepinak and Rhonda Powers are in the process of completing an application to the Native Women's Association of Canada re: establishing a new affiliate in Manitoba. ACW will have representatives at a meeting at the U of W this Saturday. This meeting has been called in an attempt to bring various groups of women together who are interested in this work and to see if they are willing to join together in this effort. I will report on the outcome at our next board meeting. We will use this opportunity to support ACW's ongoing effort to reconnect with those urban Aboriginal leaders and organizations who are present at this event.

Social/Economic Development: The proposed Mother Earth Recycling Centre was discussed at the meeting. We all agreed that ACW/CAHRD/ACWI would seek funding from other federal departments: Aboriginal and Northern Affairs Canada, Western Economic Development, Justice Canada, and Human Resources and Skills Development Canada. We are acting on this decision.

Youth: I will meet with Sam Lavallee, Chair, Youth Portfolio to begin our work to organize the Strategic Planning Focus Groups initiative that is in this year's Workplan. Province of Manitoba would not allow this increase – City Council subsequently voted to deny the increase.

I will conclude this report with some additional information/remarks in relation to these matters.