

ACW PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thursday, January 10, 2013
Board of Directors Meeting
Room 310
ACWI, 181 Higgins Avenue
Winnipeg, MB

Good day! My report for January/13.

Tripartite

The Tripartite/Joint Management Committee meeting was held in Ottawa on Tuesday January 8/13. Persons attending as follows: ACW: Marileen and Damon, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC): Jeff Betker, Aboriginal and Northern Affairs Manitoba (ANA): Eleanor Brockington. At approximately 10:00am we were joined by two representatives from the Economic Development section of AANDC. A brief progress report on the ACW Workplan 2012-13 was presented by the ACW President and this was followed by a brief discussion around ideas for the ACW Workplan 2013/14. A verbal report/discussion to follow at our meeting tonight.

Portfolio Reports

All major activities in the ACW Workplan Portfolios are on track for completion by March 31/13. All extra projects are work in progress and will be completed by March 31/13. An additional project proposal submitted by ACW will be approved/declined by Friday of this week. This project would enable ACW to host 1 or 2 workshops relating to the Rights of Off Reserve First Nations members relative two the presentation ACW made to the Senate of Canada Human Rights Committee here in Winnipeg last month. A written report of the findings must be submitted by April 1/13 so we are doing preparatory work at this time.

ACW Workplan 2013/14

Will be discussed at our meeting this evening.

Mother Earth Recycling

Planning and meetings with relative government departments/City of Winnipeg are ongoing as per the MER Business Plan. We are making progress in terms of agreements that we require to ensure MER's long term sustainability. We are also exploring other "green economy" opportunities to grow this social enterprise and some of these have significant potential. We will provide specific information as soon as formal agreements are reached with the various jurisdictions/partners.

ACW Board Recruitment

Vanessa Kozak is here this evening to present herself as a candidate for appointment to the ACW Board. I am attaching her resume with this report and I see her as a strong and committed candidate for your due consideration.