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Taiwan and Australia Perform at our Governance House

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor

On July 6th Tla'amin, local music enthusiasts, and out of town visitors following Kathaumixw, packed our Governance House to witness two amazing musical performances. First to perform were the Tainan Chamber Choir from Taiwan (Republic of China), followed by the University of Newcastle Chamber Choir from Australia who passionately sang about their similar struggles in their homelands involving indigenous peoples. Both countries were part of a larger venue competing at the 18th annual Kathaumixw, a music lovers haven which draws countries from all over the world.

Shan-Min Yu of Taiwan has multiple talents including choral conducting, singing, stage directing and has performed off Broadway in New York. She was masterful in leading the choir along with displaying an excellence of lead solo performances, proving that language has no boundaries.

Philip Matthias has been a musical director for the past 34 years and leads the University of Newcastle Chamber Choir from Australia. The University enrolls approximately 38 thousand students which is twice the population of Powell River. Their performances were very powerful and full of emotional tones. You could truly feel their displacement and regard for their survival. Their role as indigenous artists was expressed as it's their responsibility to share their experience.

Hegus Clint Williams welcomed our special guests. "On behalf of the Tla'amin Nation, it is my pleasure to welcome each and every one of you competing in the 18th Kathaumixw Festival. It is an honour for the Tla'amin Nation to be part of the festival in the past as designers of the winning award and also, in the capacity of sponsorship."

"It is definitely an exciting time for our



Tainan Chamber Choir from Taiwan follows the lead of Shan-Min Yu during their closing performance

small town as we witness the many graceful performances representing various countries, in the different languages. Kathaumixw is a showcase of amazing talent; a profound exchange of rich cultures, and where friendships and memories are made for a lifetime. I welcome you to our territory" greeted our Hegus.

The name and logo of Powell River's international choral festival, Kathaumixw was chosen by the festival organizing committee with the agreement of the elders of the Tla'amin Nation to honour the people of this place. A Coast Salish word meaning a gathering together of different peoples. This puts not only Powell River but our Tla'amin Nation on the map.

This year's winner of the prestigious "Choir of the World at Kathaumixw Award" was presented to the Young People's Chorus of New York City - USA. The University of Newcastle Chamber Choir from Australia came first in the Adult Equal Voice Choir female or male category.



Australia's Dave breathes deep and prepares to narrate the emotional journey his people have been on over the years



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Rylan Williams and Mattias Gallagher await the deadliest catch

Community Services Housepost Update

*By Larry Louie
Executive Council*

Hello community members:

The weather has quickly changed from cool to hot. I believe summer has finally arrived. This comes with risks of sunburns and heat exhaustion that can happen quickly. Enjoy our beautiful Sunshine Coast, have a fun and safe summer.

EDUCATION

September will approach us quickly and begin with students returning to regular school and some experiencing leaving home to attend post-secondary outside of Powell River. Some with new challenges, but I encourage you strive for achievement and “keep your eye on the ball” as the saying goes when playing soccer. I advocate for continued education. Education is knowledge and power for the future you choose. Certainly for your future, but also the thought you may return home and be our future.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

I extend my appreciation to Maureen Adams and Trisha Wilson for their continued efforts in recognizing programs of interest to people’s individual needs in trying times.

Our group for Social Development has not met for awhile due to tight scheduling and staff multi-tasking duties.

JUSTICE

A huge thank you to Verna Francis in reporting and keeping executive council informed of the justice system. She informs individuals of their basic rights including alternative measures offered in the legal system. She goes beyond her duties and includes the compassionate needs of community members in their time of need.

CULTURE and LANGUAGE

Congratulations to David (Bud) Louie on his retirement and thank you for your years of service. Happy gardening and enjoy your new home.

We welcome as our new Cultural Coordinator Drew Blaney, who not only brings his talent, but knowledge and experience in drumming



and singing our traditional Salish songs. We will continue moving forward and expanding our culture with his creative talent as he has demonstrated for years. These are exciting times for our nation and welcome his gift of culture.

To our established group of Language Keepers, my hands up to all. Especially to Betty Wilson, Devon Pielle, Randy Timothy, the invaluable elders, Dr. Elsie Paul, Fred Louie, Les & Janie Adams, Margaret Vivier, Maggie Wilson, Peter August and Leonard Bob. These are some of our original Tla’amin historians. Hopefully I haven’t forgotten anyone.

Their work is endless and selfless. It is an important aspect of being first nation. I support and believe in our Culture and Language Programs, to preserve and protect, and educating our youth on the importance of our history.

HEALTH

I look forward to working with Nathan in keeping our health facility a place where we can assist with health needs. Health is diverse and very important for each and everyone. The needs can vary from home care to other professional personalized care. The after care from being hospitalized for extended stays in the hospital. Follow up with an individual when one is

transitioned to home.

There is always room for improvement to better serve our community.

I will continue to support our health organization towards our wellness going forward.

IMPLEMENTATION GROUP

The Implementation Group consists of our Hegus Clint Williams, Roy Francis, Rod Allen, Dillon Johnson and including two citizen’s, Elsie Paul and Mia Louie. Also, the meeting can include other staff to discuss their programs.

They meet monthly to discuss policy on various topics within the Governance House. I am optimistic that their recommendations will coincide with the strategic plan in place and reflect the Governments aspirations and goals.

As Executive Council I will continue efforts towards our succession as a Treaty Government Organization. I am hopeful this present government can set the tone for future plans as a self governing nation.



Tla'amin and City of Powell River Renew Community Accord

Fifteen years and still working together with mutual respect

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor

Over a hundred people arrived at Dwight Hall on July 20th to witness the re-signing of the Community Accord between the City of Powell River and the Tla'amin Nation. It has been fifteen years since the original Community Accord was signed and it was decided by leadership from both parties to make some minor updates such as recognizing the names of the Tla'amin Nation and the City of Powell River for example.

Former Mayor Stewart Alsgard and former Chief Maynard Harry were a significant part of the ceremony and shared their thoughts on how the original Community Accord was instrumental in moving forward in new government to government relationship.

Intergovernmental relations with the City of Powell River was motivated largely by treaty related measures carried out back in 2003. The nature of the TRM was to build upon the Community Accord to ensure both governments are able to begin the process of harmonizing land use plans recognizing Tla'amin traditional territory and the boundaries of the City. The timing was perfect considering the damage done to our archaeology sites when the seawalk project commenced.

Former Mayor Stewart Alsgard recognized the Councillors that signed the Accord fifteen years ago. Sandy Tremblay was present and was privileged to be part of the resigning. Former Councillors Brenda Degraag and Myrna Lyshman have since passed, and were acknowledged for their contributions to the success of our well recognized relationship. "This is certainly a wonderful day as I know they are with us", commented Stewart.

Former Chief Maynard Harry commended Dave Formosa on his passion and commitment he has demonstrated for the Tla'amin Nation over the years. "Dave has worked with our people for a very long time with the former Sliammon



Development Corporation and has been proactive and a go getter" explained Maynard.

Mayor Dave Formosa: We live in, acknowledge and respect your traditional territory. As always, it is my great honor to be standing before you today.

The City of Powell River is excited about formally renewing the Community Accord between our communities because it confirms that our mutual commitment to collaboration and cooperation is withstanding the test of time. We have over this time and we will in the future continue to face challenges and successes together. I personally thank Stewart Alsgard and Maynard Harry in particular for their joint decision to dramatically improve the relationship between our communities and crafting the Community Accord.

Much has happened in the fifteen years since the original Accord was signed with the most significant being the completion of the Tla'amin Treaty. With this process the Tla'amin people have returned to self-government and freed themselves from the shackles of oppression of the last 150 years. Canada and British Columbia have stepped into the background and now it is up to our communities to determine the road ahead, be it straight and simple, or winding and complex. Whichever it will be, it will be our road.

An example of the power of the Community Accord and what it represents is the recent discussions about the designation of Tla'amin owned lands in the City as Treaty Settlement Lands under the Tla'amin Treaty. This designation requires the support of the City and would remove the lands from municipal jurisdiction. After at times passionate discussions, I am proud to announce today that the current City Council strongly supports the return of three parcels of land to the Tla'amin Nation to include one right here in Tees'Kwat, the traditional village of the

Tla'amin people. This is collaboration and cooperation.

We understand the power of the past and continue to strive to create a harmonious and prosperous future together. We also give sincere thanks to the voices of our elders and those of our ancestors. May we be granted the wisdom to heed their words as they continue to guide us on our journey together in an atmosphere of mutual respect and congeniality towards a common good.

Hegus Clint Williams: Our Community Accord is recognized nationally and internationally. If you look at the diversity that is around the room here today you will notice when we opened with the Tla'amin anthem the drummers were not all from Tla'amin. The work that has been carried forward through Hehewsin is starting to be demonstrated. It is a wonderful process and I believe it is through the Community Accord that makes it possible.

I would also like to thank the former City Councillors from 15 years ago such as Brenda, Myrna and Sandy Tremblay. They are powerful women. I would also like to acknowledge former Mayor Alsgard for his compassion and commitment to working with our nation.

A while back when I was working on land-use planning with the Treaty Society, I will always remember the late Norm Gallagher saying, "Don't let the mill pond site go". It was so powerful as he passed away two weeks after that. Norman was a pretty tough aggressive person but that was his passion.

So it is an honour and a beautiful time to be in leadership right now and this a good restart for a better and brighter future overall. When we succeed Powell River succeeds on issues and things that matter and we can move on accordingly.



Linguistics 181 Offered in Tla'amin Territory

By Betty Wilson

The is the first Introductory Linguistics for Language Revitalization course offered through the University of Victoria to twenty plus participants at Ahms Taow. Participants were from Klahoose, Komoks, Homalco, and Tla'amin.

The six-day course was presented by Mariame Huijsmans who is working on her Ph.D in Linguistics at UBC and is working on a five-year dictionary project with Randy Timothy, Koosen Pielle, Betty Wilson and elders from Klahoose, Homalco, and Tla'amin.

"I took the course to learn and have something to pass on to our generations", commented Randolph Timothy Jr. "It is important to carry on our language and practise with my parents. It helps to learn a few words everyday and pronounce them properly. My Dad really encourages me to take this worthwhile course."

There was a wide range of fluency among the participants but all were there to learn how to use the orthography of our language. Everyone found the course very useful in their everyday use with language speakers within their own family. They can now record their own family members use of words with consistency using the same writing system as other participants in the class. Participants now have a group network to support and understand each other.

Learning the letters and symbols combined with recognizing sounds helps establish their vocabulary. Previous sound files have been created during past interviews to help with the course. There is a free download on the Apple app store or on google play.

Quote from participant Chief Nicole Rempel, Komoks First Nation

"Thank you for this amazing opportunity. My heart is full. It means everything to my nation of Komoks to bring back the language, which we had thought we had lost back in the 90's with the passing of our last speaker. The knowledge learned this week is so powerful and inspiring, imote. In my work as chief I attend so many meetings right across the country and the most consistent message from leaders across the board is that language is everything!"

Previous sound files of fluent speaker elders was used throughout the course. Currently Tla'amin has over 4,000 words and growing in First Voices and the dictionary database called ayajuthem. To obtain the free application where you can search words and get the translation in either English or ayajuthem. (visit mothertongues.org/ayajuthem).



Participants of the first introductory linguistics for language revitalization

Tla'amin Culture Department



Happy summer season Tla'amin! I would like to introduce myself to the community as Tla'amin Nation's new Culture & Heritage Manager. It is a great honour to have been hired for this position as I know there were

great candidates vying for the position. I would like to thank the now retired David Louie who had spent 15 years in this position. Enjoy your retirement Budd!

By the time this gets out to the community, Tribal Journey 2018 will be over and the Tla'amin Nation canoe families will be coming home after a long journey. I am so incredibly proud of those that choose to participate in this great healing journey and represent the Tla'amin Nation in a great way. As many of you now know, the Tla'amin Nation has put forward our name to host the 2021 Tribal Canoe Journey. This is a huge undertaking but I know we can pull together as a community to make this happen. The Tla'amin Nation has always been known to be excellent hosts when welcoming people in to our community and I know the entire coast is excited to paddle to our shores.

People have been asking who can use the canoes. The answer is, anyone in the nation can use the canoes if you wish. The Tla'amin Cultural Department will now be responsible for all bookings and use of the canoes. This includes the Ohtaqen, Hehewshin & Klichos canoes. Please note that these canoes are to be used in a drug and alcohol free setting and priority will be given to Tla'amin citizens & youth particularly those participating in the canoe journey.

Come September, the Tla'amin Culture Department will once again be running the culture programs that previously took place. This includes language class, carving, drumming and singing & traditional arts such as basket weaving. We will be seeking qualified people to help run these programs. If you're interested in teaching any of these programs please submit your name to me at the Tla'amin Governance House.

I'm super excited for this opportunity to help grow the culture within the Tla'amin Nation. In the next year you will start to see many changes within the cultural department and I'm happy to be behind the wheel making it happen. If you have any concerns regarding culture or heritage please don't hesitate to get a hold of me at the Governance Building.

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Həhəwšın

The Way Forward

Tla’Amin Timber Products Ltd.



Forest Stewardship Plan PUBLIC VIEWING



Notice is hereby given that Tla’Amin Timber Products Ltd. will hold public viewing and invites written comments on the proposed Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) for Community Forest Agreement K3P and FLTC A68178.

Geographic area covered by the FSP includes the following Forest Development Units: FDU 1 and FDU 2. FDU 1 is located within the Haslam and Lois Landscape Units and FDU 2 is located within the Bunster Landscape Unit. The plan is available for review and comment for a period of 60 days starting on the date this advertisement is first published. Following the 60-day review and comment period, the plan will be submitted to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations for approval. All comments received will be included in the final submission.

The FSP will be made available during normal business hours from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday at the following location:

Attention: Lori Wilson
Tla’amin Nation Office
4779 Klahanie Dr,
Powell River, BC
V8A 0C4

To ensure a company representative is available to discuss the plan and receive comments or to arrange a meeting in an alternative location, interested parties should contact Alysha Van Delft at (604) 839 – 0696 or avandelft@aatrading.com. Written comments should be clearly labelled “Tla’amin Timber Products Ltd.” and addressed to Lori Wilson, Silviculture Coordinator (address above or lori.wilson@tn-bc.ca).

The Həhəwšın project continues to bring forth teachings of the ancestors of Tla’amin, through our TAOW, which means honoring and having respect for self, family and community ways of life prior to contact.

John Louie(yaxwum), Cyndi Pallen(čine) and Phil Russell (kʷʷnanəm) attended a legislature meeting in Tla’amin and made a presentation to the Hegus and legislators, requesting that the traditional name of Lund – Klah ah men, be brought back in to use, in conjunction with the Lund name. The legislators all agreed and a date was set. This day will represent another day of Həhəwšın (moving forward together), as stated below,

“The Tla’amin people have opened the door to us [non-Indigenous people] now. We’ve made the connections and so now, the non-Indigenous people step through the door into the Indigenous culture to start making those connections.” noted Phil Russell.

Reconciliation has a number of layers; one of those is people to people, and the goal is to gain insight into Tla’amin’s way of life and to learn about Tla’amin’s cultural teachings.

The Həhəwšın project is entirely grass roots and has steadily grown significantly. The goal of this team has been to work towards reconciliation and bring forth understanding on how Tla’amin peoples and all Indigenous people have been impacted by colonization and to assist people with a vessel for healing. Throughout the years, this team has steadily worked towards improving relations within the community of Powell River and much of the work has symbolism of what it means to go forward, as in the meaning of Həhəwšın.



Leadership and the Watchmen

(Gathered from interviews with Rose Louie, Mary George, Sue Pielle and Gene Louie in 2000)

Leadership:

Sliammon has gone through three known stages of leadership. The first known stage was the Headmen of each extended family house. The second stage moved Sliammon into a hereditary chieftain system and the third is the current democratic election system. Normally the families all lived in a major house groupings and there was one man among several semi-independent households. He was a man who was looked up to because he was older, wiser, and because he was best fitted to represent the family in its outside affairs.

Although the house members frequently asked him for his advice he did not possess any power to enforce his opinions, people were permitted to do as they pleased. However, his opinion often carried great weight because he was the one who had to generate family support for any program within the household and often contributed heavily out of his own resources. Also, in some cases he had to exert his influences over the other headmen.

The headmen of each household held no formal office and owed his strength and influence to the confidence and support of his fellow household heads. The headmen of each household met daily to discuss items of importance such as: minor group policy, adjustments, intentions to give feasts and distributions. Various dates were set and help was sought if need be. Family issues and work was also discussed. Seasonal moves were also contemplated. These meetings resembled a conference meeting of team managers. If a headmen should act in a manner that was unacceptable to the family household or if his actions jeopardized the life, rights, or security of others, there was no formal restraints placed on him, but there were repercussions. Some of which were: ridicule, threat of physical violence, withdrawal of moral support, the threat of social isolation.

Hereditary Leadership:

This method of leadership was also developed in Sliammon and was decided among lineage. The Chief was awarded the position from his father, always going to the eldest son in the family. This boy was raised to be a well respected man and had no difficulties assuming the position. Examples of hereditary leadership: in Sliammon it was Captain Timothy who inherited the position of Chief from his father and who in turn passed it on to his son, Chief Tom. In Church house the hereditary Chief was Alec Paul.

The Chief had to monitor his own behavior at all times. He had to ensure that people respected



him and his family who would be inheriting the position. If the Chief behaved in a manner that disgraced his position and the community then he would be relieved of this position and it would go the next eldest brother. The Chief was not normally responsible for the day-to-day activity around the community. He had a group of men whom he called the watchmen who did the majority of the work and reported back to the Chief and consulted with him.

The Watchmen

The watchmen were the equivalent of the Chief's councillors. They were the eyes and ears of the Chief. The watchmen were not elected to the position by way of community consensus alone. They were men who would apprentice with the current watchmen of the time. They would begin as young boys, following the watchmen learning about the position. Once the watchmen they were following could no longer perform his duties, he would pass the position on to the younger man. Once the position was passed on, the retired watchmen would provide advice to the newly appointed.

They were very active in the community doing a lot for the people. They were very well respected men who acted as role models. They went around to every home in the community on a regular basis to make sure that everyone had what they needed. Although they couldn't provide help out of their own resources, they did their best to bring it to the attention of the community. The Watchmen were very strict and whenever a wrong had been committed it was their responsibility to handle the discipline. Once an accused had been identified the watchmen would request that person's attendance at a community meeting. If it could be proven that the individual was in fact guilty of the offence in question that person was publicly punished.

Typical punishment included going into the centre of the hall and kneeling on the ground with their arms straight out, palms facing up. They of-

fender could not put their arms down until the truth surfaced. As they disclosed the truth the offenders would have to ask the community for forgiveness for the shameful act(s) that had been committed. A modification of this form of punishment was to place rocks in the hands of the offender and if he was able to keep his hands raised then more rocks were added.

Other forms of punishment that have been identified were sending offenders to complete a set amount of work for the individual that was wronged. For women the watchmen were very strict. An example of this was that a woman in the Sliammon community made a dress

for herself or fixed her hair nicely. The watchmen were notified of this and approached her to attend the community hall later that evening. She attended and was informed that she exhibited poor judgment by dressing herself up so nicely. She was tempting the young men in the community and that was unacceptable behavior for a young woman.

There were two different groups of watchmen. The first group's duties were related to the church and its functions. Ensuring attendance at church and meeting the needs of the visiting priest. The second group of watchmen were called night watchmen. Their soul function was to monitor the community from dusk and ensure that nobody was out at night.

Other typical duties of the watchmen included ensuring that the elders had enough supplies in their homes and sending children to chop wood for the people in the community. They also performed baptisms and when an individual passed away they were the ones who would perform the last rites and lead the prayers. A major duty of the watchmen was to arrange marriages for the people of the community. The watchmen of Sliammon, Squirrel Cove, Sechelt and Church House would meet to discuss who would be the beneficial union.

Some names of watchmen from the three communities have been identified. From Sliammon the watchmen were Sandy Timothy, John Louie, and Frank Williams. In Church House it was Alec Paul (Shep'aw'tess) and in Squirrel Cove it was Johnny Dominick and Johnny Bob.

People in the community were not typically afraid of them. If you were living an honest, hard-working, god fearing life and behaving yourself and minding your own Ta-ow then there was really no reason to be afraid of them. They were beneficial to the community ensuring that people did not go without performing various ceremonies in the community.

Education and Wisdom (part 4)

“Another one of the greatest experiences that I had with my grandmother ... when I turned, I guess I was 13 or 12. I was still in Sechelt School when I started my period and that’s when you become a woman. It was December, they came home for Christmas and we were living by the river there and my mom told her that I had become a woman. So she made me go up the logging road with her and we got a whole bunch of cedar boughs and she said she’d be down in the morning to see me and she had put it by the house. She came, waking me up really early in the morning, before breaking daylight. ... [My Grandmother] had an ax in her hand and there was so much ice on the river, it was December, so she had to make a hole for us to get in the water and she bathed me in the water and she told me not to holler or cry because it’s gonna be for your own good when you grow up that your gonna know how to work with your hands and she says for you not to be a mean person, be a good person, be kind to other people, you will know how to harvest your own food and to have a strong mind. ... And when you come back home in June, she said you’re going to spend the whole summer with me, you’re not going to be allowed to go, you know, I used to like to go play with Annie and there was Maggie George, Maggie Williams, other people, Elizabeth Blaney, I couldn’t hang around with them that summer. So that whole summer when I came home, we used to row to Harwood Island, row to Savary Island, you know preparing all these foods, picking berries, drying them and come back. Then she would say “go give this to this person and that person.” So I think that’s where I learned, you know, to care, to really keep it on my mind that one day it’s gonna be other ones to lose, but I’m teaching you, so



that’s one thing I’m really grateful for, what she done.” - Phyllis Dominick, interview with Ramona Dominic, by Evan Adams and Kerri Timothy, May 16, 1996, MIS.20 Audiocassette MIS 20. MIS.20.A.doc, transcript, Sliammon Treaty Office, Sliammon, BC, 23–24.

The type of information that Elders shared with young people in the mid 1950s, were modified to suit the reality of residential school and living in more “western” style housing. In a longhouse, a young woman might be secluded inside the building from her family and friends. Phyllis Dominick’s grandmother took another approach and still secluded her, although more through the action of keeping her from her friends. Phyllis’ time was constrained by her attendance at the residential school, but still, her grandmother maintained important elements of the ceremony, including seclusion from her friends, ceremonial bathing, and cedar brushing, and then giving the fruits of her labour to community members. Instead of asking her granddaughter to be secluded within their home, she brought the young woman to territorial spaces, secluding her from her playmates, and teaching her the skills and about the places she had missed while in school. In this way, the important coming of age ceremony that had once been practiced, probably throughout the 1800s, found a new form for some Tla’amin young women in the mid-twentieth century.

Emote!// Eskosi
Omeasoo Wahpasiw

School Supplies Allowance Tla’amin Members

Tla’amin Nation Education will be issuing a school supplies allowance to each child who is registered with the Tla’amin Nation. The child must be registered for school and in grades K-12 to be eligible. This includes children who live on and off Tla’amin Lands. For grades K-7,

James Thomson Elementary students- please note that James Thomson School will be providing all necessary school supplies for students. So a cheque will not be issued for James Thompson students

For grades K-12,

Students who are registered in School District 47, Assumption School, Christian School, or The French School will receive \$125.00

(A Cheque or Direct Deposit if you provide banking information)
Members who reside off Tla’amin Land

If you reside off-Tla’amin Lands, it is your responsibility to ensure your completed form has been received by the Tla’amin Administration with your current mailing address to Louise Dominick email at postsec@tn-bc.ca or fax to 1-778-762-3713.

The deadline for applications for the school supplies allowance to be accepted up to FINAL deadline is August 31st 2018 for the 2018-2019 academic year:

Release dates are as follows:

- August 3rd 2018
- August 10th 2018
- August 17th 2018
- August 24th 2018
- August 31st 2018
- September 7th 2018



ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL & POWELL RIVER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERING

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND POWELL RIVER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORMS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH CAMBRIDGE UNIFORMS OR CAN ALSO BE ORDERED THROUGH THE TLA’AMIN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

PLEASE CONTACT
LOUISE DOMINICK, 604 483 9646 EXT 125
EMAIL: POSTSEC@TN-BC.CA, TO PLACE AN ORDER.

THANK YOU



Education is the foundation
upon which we build our future

Thuy'she'num Tu Smun'eem

Building a Foundation For Our Youth

By Amber Crittenden
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Camp Coordinator

This July, Vancouver Island University hosted their second Indigenous youth summer camp, Thuy'she'num Tu Smun'eem, in Powell River at the Outdoor Learning Centre. This year the camp was hosted in three communities: Cowichan, Powell River and Nanaimo. Thuy'she'num Tu Smun'eem is a camp for Indigenous students in grades 8-12 and is organized by Indigenous student mentors at VIU called the 's'uluqw'a' community cousins. The community cousins lift each other up with support, recognize and celebrate culture, as well as strengthen a sense of community on campus. The community cousins consist of three levels: squle'eq (meaning younger cousin in hul'qumi'num), 's'uluqw'a (middle cousin), and shush u'yulh (older cousin).



Tu Smun'eem. The first day of camp was spent getting to know each other with different games and workshops. We were grateful the campfire ban was not in effect on our first night, so we spent the evening roasting marshmallows, making s'mores and learning new songs on the drum. The second day was full of creativity as the youth got to bead bracelets as well as write and record their own hip hop song. Cindy Pallen, John Louie and Phil Russell spent some

time with us on the third day presenting on the Hehewshin project and weaving cedar roses. By the end of camp, students are equipped with important life skills like financial literacy, respecting boundaries and consent, and building healthy relationships. We ended the week with a graduation ceremony and lunch for the newly initiated squle'eq, guests, presenters, and members of community.

Throughout the camp, students participate in workshops that are both cultural and academic in nature, showing youth they can successfully walk in both worlds. Indigenous students do not have to leave their culture behind if they choose to go to post-secondary, and VIU is a place that will uplift and celebrate the diverse community of Indigenous students on campus. Many students have to travel far away from their communities to attend post-secondary, and this is a big barrier for many Indigenous learners. The community cousins at VIU provide support and friendship to students that are both close and far away from home. By attending this summer camp, high school students get a glimpse of life at university by travelling from home, taking part in new experiences, and building relationships with new people. At the end of the summer camp, the youth are welcomed into the family of community cousins as squle'eq, where they take on the role of supporting their peers and community. Once at VIU, students level up and become 's'uluqw'a, then after graduation students become shush u'yulh.

Overall the camp was a huge success and we were able to have an amazing experience with seven unique and talented leaders. The youth who attended Thuy'she'num Tu Smun'eem can be proud of themselves for coming to camp and challenging themselves with new experiences. The youth at the Powell River camp created a living declaration that will continue to be built upon at each camp:

"As Indigenous youth, we are committed to being productive in our communities so we don't wait around for things to happen. This is our role as emerging leaders in our community."

Thanks to funding from the Peter Cundill Foundation, we will be continuing this work with another summer camp next year. Miigwetch to the Tla'amin community for allowing us to host our summer camp on such gorgeous land. For any questions or information regarding the summer camp and to get an application for 2019, please contact the program assistant Crystal Burnip (crystal.burnip@viu.ca)

From July 16-19th seven Indigenous students from all over Vancouver Island and Tla'amin participated in Thuy'she'num



Bottom left: Effrey Sedgemore, Namgis Kwakwaka'wakw
Courtney Johnson, Esketemc First Nation
Above left: Natalie Johnson (camp Coordinator), Sherry Mattice (VIU Indigenous Education Navigator)

Health and Wellness

EH KWA'A'NUNS KYE'AMIEUX
 "When the people in our community are well again, all around us will also be well."

Itstartswithme

Tla'amin Elders' Gathering in Cowichan "We're Still Here"

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor

On July 9th, Tla'amin elders and escorts traveled to Cowichan to attend the 42nd Annual Elders' Gathering. Over 5,000 people from across the province were in attendance to meet new friends and get reacquainted with relatives that attended. Rooms were booked advance at the Best Western to ensure that everyone was accommodated and comfortable.

The elders would like thank the Tla'amin Nation for assisting with travel expenses and members that came out and supported the fundraising efforts throughout the year. These events are quite expensive taking into account volunteers were on hand. The Elders' Gathering organizers did a great job of ensuring the safety of all that attended that may have



Glida and Larry perform their favorite tunes to entertain the large crowd in Cowichan

health issues by providing first aid attendants and ambulances on site. Our Elders have already started discussions on how to raise money for next years event that will be hosted by Lake Babine. Without salmon on hand anymore it makes it more difficult to come up with other traditional menus. There is lots of competition with the canoe journey and sporting events being hosted during the summer.

"There is so much work with all the preparation, it would make sense to have it every two years. We could meet at regions such as the Interior and Vancouver Island once a year, and then have the big gathering every five years, but It was really nice meeting all the people and just talking with everybody," commented the elders. There was lots of food for everyone!



Vangie, Doris and Floyd enjoyed the festivities in Cowichan



Gilbert Francis and his grandson Dylan lead the elders into the arena



Charlie Bob and Phil George



First Nations Elders Talk About Healthy Medication Use Through Indigenous Storytelling

An Indigenous Storytelling project, Coyote's Food Medicines, was launched today in front of an audience of Elders at the BC Elders Gathering to encourage conversations about wellness and how to manage medications for a healthy life. Secwepemc Elders created the Coyote's Food Medicines story, using traditional knowledge and humour to raise awareness of the issue of multiple medications and their potential impact on health.

The First Nations Health Authority (FNHA), Shared Care's Polypharmacy Risk Reduction Initiative (a partnership of Doctors of BC and the BC government), and Interior Health worked with Elders, initiating conversations that led to the creation of the Coyote story. During one of these conversations, Secwepemc Elder Jean William shared her impressions, "In the past, our Elders didn't take lots of medication, mostly just aspirin. But now cupboards look like pharmacy shelves."

One of the most important and yet often overlooked risks to wellness is use of multiple medications. There is a point where taking multiple medications – known as 'polypharmacy', can actually make individuals feel sicker, where the risks of medications can outweigh the benefits.

"With the launch of the project, we're opening up a conversation with Indigenous populations, guided by Elders to promote and enhance medicine management and wellness," said Health Minister Adrian Dix. "With the Coyote's Food Medicines project, our partners are showing how health-care information can be interesting, engaging and culturally respectful."



Elders Corner August 2018

Elders Gathering. Congratulations to the Cowichan Tribes who put together such an enormous event. In estimation, over 5000 Elders from all over British Columbia attended this three day event. Speeches were given from dignitaries from different Territories, and even our Premier John Horgan presented to the Convention.

44 of our Tla'amin Elders (and their escorts) made the journey to Duncan for this event, and made use of all the different presenters, this year notably from First Nations Health Authority.

The second day of the event the microphone was open to any volunteers who had something to say, share, or sing. Our own Glida Morgan and Larry Hanson filled the air with music. Later that evening the Elders came out to dance at the Elder Sock Hop, which also was well attended. Thank you Cowichan Tribes for such a successful event!

Elder Events for August:

Tuesday August 7th: No luncheon due to the stat holiday

Thursday August 9th: Elder berry picking (9am-12) Location to be determined

Tuesday August 14th: Presentation from University of Saskatchewan

Thursday August 16th: Seniors together. Presenters and luncheon 11-1 (limited seating)

Friday August 17th: Black Berry Festival 5pm

Tuesday August 21st: Elder Luncheon 11-1pm/Event Planning

Tuesday August 28th: Elder Bingo and Luncheon

Any questions or if you wish to join our Elder Group, call Elder Coordinator at: 604 483 3009 ext 126 for more info.

Wednesday August 1

Physiotherapy
Get your baby moving!
Crawling, sitting, walking...
Anneke and Dawna and Sheila

11:00 am-1:00 pm

*Wednesday August 8

Infant Massage
Class 4 Final Class
Dana Gustafson, Dawna and Sheila
(Caregivers needed)
11:00 am-1:00 pm

*Wednesday August 15

Cook with a master dietitian
Join us in the kitchen- we'll whip up a meal together.
Meghan and Dawna
(*Caregivers needed)
11:00am-1:00 pm

*Wednesday August 22

Berry Time!
Gathering, and cooking with berries with the dietician Liane
Liane and Dawna and Sheila
(*Caregivers needed)
11:00 am-1:00 pm

Wednesday August 29

Yoga, Prenatal and Mom and Babe
Gentle, healthy body movements for you and babe.
Keely Fandrick
Dawna and Sheila
11:00 am-1:00 pm

Family is always welcome! Partners, kids, aunts, uncles and of course – Grandparents!

*Dates that caregiving help is needed. One family member with receive honorarium on these dates for helping mom with babe. As well as a free lunch!

Please let us know in advance if you will be bringing extra family member so we can plan for enough food.



Tla'amin Words - In Orthography

Some words we use when the weather is hot or cooler.

Sun – t'agəm

Hot – kwas

Cold – čičm

Cloudy – nəʔaytən

Practise with your friends or family.

Dawna Pallen – Palnick

Tla'amin Language

Rediscover Your Childhood Memories

*Brenda Pielle
Youth and Family Advocate*

August is here and the summer break is half way over. How has the summer been going for you? Are you finding some time to rest, relax, and play?

I often feel that summer is a time that requires a lot of work and energy. There is more maintenance to do with everything, it seems. Grass needs cutting and watering, the car needs to be washed more from all the dust and sand, there is fruit all around to be harvested and taken care of or preserved, and there is more to think about when we go outside: sunscreen, hats, towels, etc. Meanwhile there is the heat that makes our work more difficult, and brings extra considerations such as staying hydrated, and watching out for heat stroke.

Recently I was reminded of the joy of having fun in the summer and it made me change my way of thinking. Yes summer can be challenging as described above, but it is also such a special time to have lots of fun outside in ways that we cannot do during other times of the year.



My experience came from the simple act of trying out a mask, snorkel, and flippers. My brother and I used to swim with these items all the time in the summer when we camped at Parksville. I had purchased a new set for myself but never seemed to get around to using them. I was taking my grandchildren

swimming and had masks and goggles for them to use so I thought it would be fun to bring mine along so we could all look at each other under water.

There weren't very many other people around so I got up the nerve to put on my flippers and try my snorkel along with the mask. It was so much fun to swim with flippers, again. All the memories of swimming for hours and hours when I was a kid came rushing back and I was having a great time splashing around. I made a vow to use these fun items instead of letting them sit in the closet. I'm hoping to get a lot more swimming in during the month of August.

Do you have any equipment around that you have not used in a long time? Maybe August 2018 will be the time that you dust off whatever it is, and do some playing. Maybe a bicycle, perhaps a softball and glove, maybe a glow in the dark Frisbee, or a net for catching butterflies. Whatever it is that might bring a rediscovered sense of fun, I encourage you to try it with your own children or youth, grandchildren, nieces or nephews. Let's have fun while the sun is here, the water is nice, and the evenings are bright and warm. Laughing, playing, and moving our bodies is so good for our health!

Best wishes for the remainder of the summer.



Button Blankets Project

Tla'amin Health Promotion was successful in getting a small grant to do button blankets for our tla'amin community. We started in May, once a week, for approximately 4-5



hour sessions. Participants were Bonnie, Darlene, Angus, Larry, Joan & Makaela. Each picked their own design, choice of colors for their button blanket, then added buttons to finalize the blanket. Making a button blanket requires a lot of work! I am really proud of my group for working at it and finishing.

Really inspiring to have Makaela Gallagher, 9 years old, complete a button blanket with the help of her grandmother Joan Williams. (above) Thank you, Joan. This is a great example of revitalization of our culture, as Chi Chia (Grandmother) passes on a traditional artform to her Emuth (Granddaughter).

Emote
Dawna Pallen - Palnick
Health Promotion

Button blankets are considered west coast regalia. They are worn on special occasions. You will not see (or should not see) someone going grocery shopping wearing a button blanket... Thus, they are ceremonial blankets. One takes very good care of their button blanket and one wears it with pride.

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

September 9th is International Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day. Check out the information booths that will be located in the lobbies of the Governance Building and the Health building.

Take part in a four question quiz and enter your paper in a box for a prize to be drawn on Monday September 10, 2018.

Parent Support Group
Thursdays 10:30am-noon
At the Health Building
Starting September 13, 2018





Neh Motl asked a couple of family siblings... What do you like about the Summer Fun Program?



Tia Francis

Having fun chasing and playing with my friends.



Stacey Francis

Playing with my friends outside and being around the water.



Mattias Gallagher

I like splashing at the water park, swimming and fishing.



Makaela Gallagher

I like all the different places that we go and playing tag.

Summer Fun 2018

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor



Dana Gustafson and Shirley Louie are busy this summer overseeing the Summer Fun Program. This year is no different than any other year as the list of registrations filled up quicker than a bucket of water balloons on a hot summer day.

The first week the temperatures climbed to 25 degrees but the kids had stayed cool and hydrated at Mowat Bay, Willingdon Park, and Eagle River. There is also the annual trip to Texada that gets the kids very excited. Children are encouraged to bring their bathing suits, towels, hats and sun screen to stay protected from harmful UV rays.

Some of the skills/lessons that children gain from the summer fun program are:

- Team work – working together to complete a task
- Decision making – when playing/interacting with other children
- Independence – being without parents/caregivers
- Social skills – cooperation, respecting one another
- Following instructions – especially important for transition times
- Making friends
- Leadership
- Courage – trying new things
- Responsibility – taking care of their belongings



Boys will be boys when it comes to staying cool



Fishing is one of the popular activities at Willingdon

A New Legal Framework

The Tla'amin Nation has operated under a new legal and governance framework for economic development for over a year. The framework is similar to that developed and implemented by a number of the Maa-nulth First Nations and it is based on recommendations from the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

Tla'amin Management Service Inc. has taken over the office and function of Sliammon Development Corporation, under a limited partnership structure. Oversight of the Tla'amin businesses is provided by the "Holdings Board" and "Operating Board". The Operating Board reports to the Holdings Board on the operation and performance of the Tla'amin businesses.

Tla'amin economic development structure

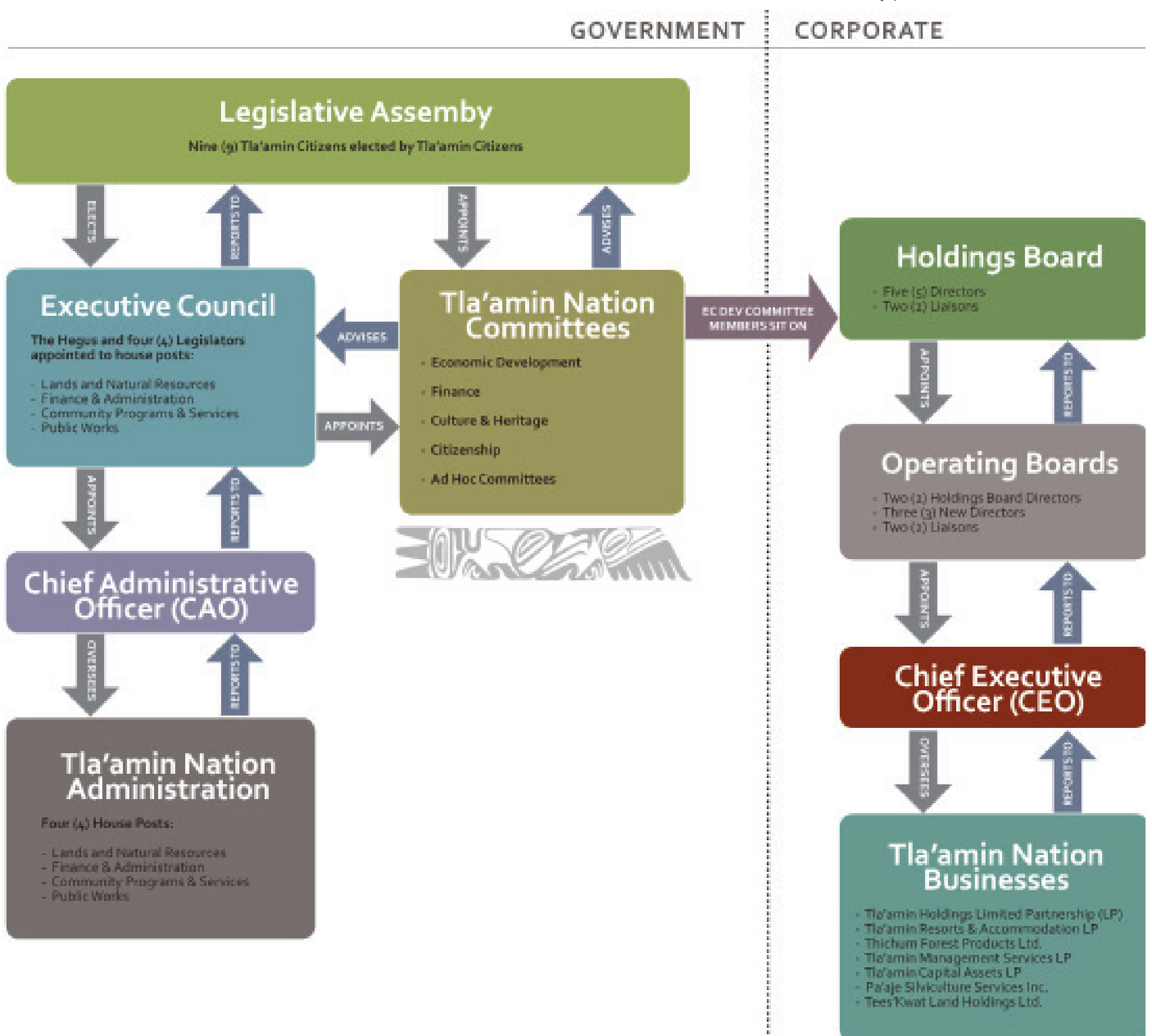
BENEFITS OF LEGAL STRUCTURE

- Double liability protection - "two-tiers"
- Minimizes exposure to taxes and OSR offsets
- Consistent organizational structure
- One business failure won't affect other businesses
- Can easily add to operations

BENEFITS OF GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Manages politics and business relationship

- Clarifies roles and responsibilities
- Board appointments based on business merit
- Transparent and predictable process
- Maintains limited liability protection



TLA'AMIN RESORTS AND ACCOMODATIONS

2017 has proved to be an exciting year at the Lund Hotel. The re-organization and change of management direction has been one of the most significant accomplishments in the past year. In this period of time we built a management team capable of operating the hotel. This was a fundament step in remaking the hotel operations, image and brand to reflect its Tla'amin ownership.



We are exceptionally proud to be given the opportunity by the Directors to work alongside a dedicated and experienced management team that includes Marlane Christensen in HR and Marketing, Trish Hutchinson in accounting, Kathy Thomas in the Store, John Walls taking on our Food and Beverage and Jason Law, Operations Manager.

As a result of the change in management, we are seeing success in growing the ranks of Tla'amin members gainfully employed at the hotel. Recently we have moved the pin on the percentage of Tla'amin staff from 20% of the employees to well over 60% of the staff coming from our community.

As our top priority, we will continue with the important task of growing the business of the hotel while stabilizing the operations and costs. In fiscal 2017, we ended the year with retained earnings of \$27,074.11. Our management team is acting diligently, and we will see continued improvement in our finances this year. We are projecting a significant lift in our year end net revenue in 2018. We will get to these figures by controlling our operating costs across the board and combined with a market and sales strategy that will see revenues well above our 2017 figures.

There are headwinds in our operations. Repairs and maintenance are an ongoing challenge. Our decisions and investments in the building are carried out with long-term operations in mind. In our kitchen, we have had to replace and repair fridges, stoves and other equipment. We invested in new docks replacing older borrowed docks to take advantage of the growing demand for moorage in the region, helping to boost overall Hotel revenue.

Most importantly, we have invested significantly in the image and appearance of the hotel. In 2017, we introduced Indigenous influenced wall hangings, color schemes and Tla'amin created artwork throughout the hotel. The intent is to reflect our culture and heritage in the hotel and provide our clients with a unique cultural experience. Our thanks go out to the Directors of the Trust for their funding of the Artwork Renovation and to Anthony Williams for managing this effort.

We are truly appreciative for this opportunity to work for the Tla'amin Management Services.

PA'AJE SHELLFISH



Tla'amin Nation currently holds 68.4 hectares of licensed shellfish aquaculture tenures and an additional 75.5 hectares of map reserves for a total of 143.9 hectares for shellfish farming.

In 2018, we began the necessary work at Pa'aje to redevelop our shellfish aquaculture business. Our objective is to expand existing shellfish culture operations and future aquaculture opportunities. We are grateful to the Aboriginal Aquaculture Association (AAA) for its assistance and support as we began our process of establishing our aquaculture program objectives.

AAA assisted in the preparation of a comprehensive financial pro'forma to guide our investment and management decisions. The financial plan and attendant management strategies provide a clear path to positive returns from the licenses.

The management program includes a comprehensive seeding program for the purpose of stocking existing licensed tenures with oysters & clams. This work was started in early

2018 and will continue for the duration of the year. Pa'aje will also purchase a FLUPSY to be located at the Cannery Row tenure site. The FLUPSY will dramatically reduce our costs of operations and reduce the rotation period for the animals.

In accordance with our strategic plan, we recently concluded a shellfish operations manager. Our manager will be advertising and hiring the field crews by August 2018. Employment opportunities will be offered primarily to Tla'amin Citizens and develop capacity in the aquaculture and business operations.

Work continues to obtain the necessary permits and licenses work and investment on the Tla'amin Geoduck sites at Harwood Island. Pa'aje has retained the services of a professional diver with several years experience establishing sub-tidal Geoduck beds. A fully costed financial plan has been prepared for the Geoduck and it is our intention to press ahead with the seeding and management once approvals have been granted.

I am grateful for the support and direction of the leadership both at TMSLP and the Nation. This is an important file for the Nation and we are confident the strategies we are pursuing will result in success.

Tla'amin Nation aims to become the leader of Aboriginal shellfish production by 2025.

THICHUM FOREST PRODUCTS



Thichum FP is actively harvesting our Community Forest currently with our logging partnership company Tla'amin Lake Contracting. The cutblock is located up Haslam Lake with approx 30,000m³ of wood being harvested. The previous block harvested was Inland lake which went well and is completed including the road deactivation and haystacking the debris. We plan on logging in the woodlot 1672 and taking a block located approx. 5km up from the last house on the logging road, we have been operating the woodlot for 20 plus years now. There are currently 6 workers from the Tla'amin Nation working for Tla'amin Lake Contracting full time, as well as the 3 for Thichum FP. The plan is to harvest approx. 80,000m³ in 2018.

On the silviculture end, we completed a brushing contract for BCTS and now are working on doing a brushing contract with Western Forest Products. This is a larger size project that is 50plus hectares in size which is bringing meaningful outside work for our company. Currently there is 5 brushers from our community doing this work. The silviculture crew also planted approx. 70,000 seedlings earlier this year.

Thichum is currently working on converting the Forest Licence to Cut licence into our Community Forest licence which will be easier to manage as we won't have different licences with different rules and timelines to keep track of. It will all be under one licence at the end of the day. Thichum FP is hoping this will be completed by end of this summer once the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resources Rural Development review and approve it. The current 5 yr Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) is being re-done and there will be an open house June 21st for everybody to review our FSP as this is a guiding principle for our forest tenures.

There will be an elders firewood program this year and we will be getting this program up and running soon. We will be sending out a pick up truck load of firewood to community members that live in Tla'amin with a functioning wood stove at the age of 60 and older.

Thichum FP is also clearing the 10 lot subdivision that is happening out at Klahanie Drive, we are the prime contractor for clearing the site so the leased lands can be leased out. This project is happening currently.

The dividends the Tla'amin community receives comes from the Thichum FP forest operations.

TLA'AMIN LAND DEVELOPMENT

I want to extend my appreciation to the Directors, the Hegus and Executive for supporting this important step in the establishment of the Tla'amin Land Development business. I also want to extend thanks to the professionals and contractors in the development and construction sector that have come on board to help us grow.

The Tla'amin Land Use Plan Land Use Plan set forth a series of land designations intended to establish a vision for practical land use areas throughout Tla'amin Lands. The plan includes designations for light industrial and commercial use as well as Economic development lands for residential.



These designations contemplate land uses that are by definition business ventures. In accordance with the principals outlined in the Economic Development Law, TMSLP proposes to organize a business structure to undertake and deliver economic and business opportunities within these parcels of land.

Through careful planning, the organization will bring to market new developments in order to build capacity, drive sales and increase revenues to TCALP. More importantly, the new organization will carry out the all important objective of building a sustainable and stable long term tax base for the Nation.

Our fully integrated land development organization will undertake and manage all phases of our development program. This new organization will have the capacity and expertise to carry out:

- Development planning
- Construction
- Marketing and Sales
- Financing and lending (To be developed in time)

The Land Development Company would be modeled on the very successful Thichum Forestry Program.

We have begun our first projects TMSLP manages the leaseholds on Klahanie and Southview. There are 21 remaining lots remaining within the Klahanie and Southview subdivision.

Thichum Forest Products has begun clearing and preparing the Klahanie lots. Our newly formed construction company will soon begin building three custom designed homes to showcase the area, stimulate interest and drive additional sales. As sales progress, the construction company will continue building homes until all remaining lots on Klahane are sold.

This is an exciting project and will result in significant revenues for the company from sales and importantly for the Nation from an increased land tax and income tax base.

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

June 20, 2018

Council Chambers, Governance House

Attendance: All Executive Council
Resource: Rod Allan, Losa Luaifoa
Guests: Tom Kopeland, Ben Kopeland,
 Tony Jacobs, Sachi Ouchi

CALL TO ORDER: Hegus Williams called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to adopt June 2, 2018 Executive Council Minutes.

Moved by Lori Wilson
Seconded by Tyrone Wilson
CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt the June 20, 2018 agenda as amended.

Moved by John Hackett
Seconded by Tyrone Wilson
CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Tom Kopeland, Ben Kopeland, Tony Jacobs, TargetX Delegation, provided a brief presentation re: the Super Mammoth Sand and Gravel project.

The delegation is proposing a partnership with Tla'amin to engage in a venture that would be 90% First Nations owned.

Executive Council (EC) questioned the vision for exporting the resource; inquired about the plan for the funds already invested into the project and expressed the need for a full scale archeological study.

EC expressed interest in continuing discussions about the project and recommended a tour of the site be arranged.

2. Sachiko Ouchi, SFU Student, provided a PowerPoint presentation on a project regarding Adaption strategies for Healthy Fisheries and Tla'amin Community.

The overall research goal of the project is to develop community-specific models that will predict how different climate and fisheries management scenarios will affect access to fish.

The research will be conducted in two phases of interviews over the summer with a final report provided to EC.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance:

i) EC Resolution #13-2018: Calling of the Legislative Assembly for July 4, 2018.

Moved by Lori Wilson
Seconded by Tyrone Wilson
CARRIED



Welcome home Chech Lem Chi Chia

ii) Neh Motl – EC discussed the position and resolved that a presentation to EC was not required. A few suggestions were provided for additional duties.

iii) An INAC audit for 2013-2014 concluded that the Nation owed INAC \$600k. The Chief Financial Officer worked with INAC and the final recovery amount decreased to \$80k. The Chief Financial officer advised that the debt has been cleared.

iv) Tla'amin Van Policy/Procedures – EC discussed the parameters of use for the new 15-passenger van and clarified that the van is for Nation (business) use only. Drivers will be fully responsible for ensuring the van is clean after each use. The Governance building has priority for use.

2. Citizenship & Membership: The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) presented 4 membership applications for EC's consideration. Motion to approve the membership application for Jay Harry.

Moved by Lori Wilson
Seconded by Larry Louie
CARRIED

EC directs staff to request information (proof of blood ties to Tla'amin) from the remaining 3 applicants.

3. Culture: Drew Blaney, Cultural Manager started June 18, 2018.

4. Elders & Youth: Elders: A monetary penalty was issued for unauthorized harvesting on Treaty Settlement Lands (TSL). EC resolved that the \$330k penalty be secured for an Elders facility and to cover the costs for the feasibility study.

5. Emergency Services: The Regional Emergency Executive Committee (REEC) meeting is scheduled for June 29, 2018.

6. Fisheries & Hatchery:

- July 16 – Stream cleaning project commences and is scheduled for 8-weeks.
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) will be at the Hatchery next Friday to conduct a walk through the streams.
- The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) advised that DFO is aware of the fish issue Tla'amin has been dealing with.

7. Forestry:

- Forestry staff are registered for a course re: Pesticides next week. To be able to purchase and apply pesticides, certification is required.
- Councillor L. Wilson suggested that the Nation start the necessary planning to log the next three blocks or look at options to utilize the 5-year period of claw backs on OSR.
- Councillor Hackett recommends a 5-year Forestry Development plan be developed.

8. Lands:

i) Regional District Service Agreements – the CAO requested approval from the EC to endorse the Regional District Service Agreement. EC endorsed the agreement.

9. Public Works:

- An issue with sewage leak and pipes on the highway has been addressed.

E. HOUSE POSTS

Lands & Resources:

- Councillor L. Wilson noted that she will be looking into how Tla'amin fishing waters can be designated as a "Discharge Free Zone".
- Sea Cucumber meeting with Department of Fisheries and Oceans is scheduled for June 22.
- Joint Fisheries Committee meeting is scheduled for September.

- Finance:
- Taxation Authority meeting will be scheduled in early July.
- Elders facility funds (fine from trespass on TSL) to be added to the next Finance Committee meeting agenda.

Community Services: Councillor L. Louie reported that he attended the Restorative Justice gathering hosted by Tla'amin.

Public Works:

- A truck has been added to the Nation's fleet of vehicles for Public Works use.
- The Fire Hall is still in need of recruits. Jim Armstrong attended the Fire Chief's meeting in Victoria.
- **Economic Development:**
- Seattle visit is scheduled for June 26 and 27 to tour the various building structures.
- Tla'amin Management Services AGM is set for June 26, 2018.
- Construction on the first house at the Klahanie Drive development may begin as soon as next week.

F. HEGUS' REPORT

- Attended the "Celebration of Success". The event was very well attended.
- Logging of Block #2 trespass matter has been resolved with a fine of \$330k issued.
- Attended the Vancouver and Victoria Lands information sessions. Questions were raised regarding Taxation, an elder's distribution and Tla'amin's hiring policies.
- Attended Comox and surrounding area Regional Districts and municipalities and the Comox Nation presentation of the working relationship between the City of PR and PR Regional District.



University of Newcastle Chamber Choir from Australia

- Regional Recreation Committee met and discussed potential annual contributions to assist with the Recreation Complex fees. The City originally requested \$100,000 which has changed to approximately \$30,000.
- Attended the Welcome Pole event at Westview Elementary. There are plans for a pole at Henderson Elementary next year. EC agreed that a carver from Tla'amin should be considered for the next project.
- Attended PRISMA Gala opening.
- Attended Tla'amin Graduation event. The event was well attended.
- National Indigenous Peoples Day is June 21 at Lund Hotel from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.
- Playground equipment is scheduled to arrive in Vancouver mid-July.
- Erin Isaac and Colin Osmond will be attending the June 21 event in Lund.
- Sinking of one of the hulks is scheduled for

Saturday, June 23.

- Kathaumixw will be hosting a small concert with choirs from Australia and Cuba at the Governance building on July 6.
- Lois Lake fish farm tour – tentatively July 10, 2018 with EC.
- Elk allocation letter for harvesting has been received. 6 elk will be for the community draw and one elk will be for the community totaling 7 being allocated for 2018. The hunting areas are Haslam, Daniels River and Theodosia.

ADJOURNMENT
Moved by John Hackett
Seconded by Lori Wilson
CARRIED



Cheech Lem Chi Chia and Tl' emtl' ems began their Tribal Journey together on July 15th, 2018

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

July 4, 2018

Council Chambers, Governance House

Attendance: All Executive Council
Resource: Rod Allan, Losa Luaifoa

A. CALL TO ORDER: Hegus Williams called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to adopt the June 20, 2018 Executive Council Minutes.

Moved by Tyrone Wilson
Seconded by John Hackett
CARRIED

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt the Executive Council agenda as amended.

Moved by John Hackett
Seconded by Tyrone Wilson
CARRIED

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance: Internal Invoicing – The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) recommended that internal invoicing between departments is not practiced. Executive Council (EC) supports the recommendation.

2. Citizenship & Membership: Workplan for Temporary Assistant – EC reviewed the proposed workplan for a temporary assistant for Membership and resolved the following:

- Position will report to the CAO
- Full time hours (8:30 to 4:30 pm) for a set length of time (i.e. one month)
- The workplan to be re-assessed after a set timeframe (i.e. one month)
- Estimated timeframes to be added to the workplan
- CAO to inquire about incorporating “family tree” task to the workplan

3. Culture: SFU Internship Funding – The CAO confirmed that Tla'amin received a grant for the Climate Change Information Gathering Project and the CAO will coordinate the details of pay for the student.

4. Education: The CAO noted a meeting did not occur with the School District before the year end.

5. Elders & Youth: Registration to attend the Elder's conference July 10-14th in Duncan is now closed. A delegation of approximately 30 elders with 10 escorts will be attending from Tla'amin.

6. Emergency Services: EC was advised that campfires (3ft x 3ft) are currently still allowed and advised that burning piles of debris is prohibited. EC discussed potential solutions to help address the issue of debris burning.

7. Fisheries & Hatchery: The CAO contacted the Department of Fisheries and Ocean (Steveston office) to apprise them of the cannery issue Tla'amin is dealing with.

8. Forestry: Woodlot 1672 – Road construction and harvest prework has commenced with ongoing work to identify safety issues within the trails and public access continued. Hegus Williams requested that a few logs be secured to create a boom at the mouth of the river. This will help to keep debris from getting down the creek.

9. Justice & Enforcement: In regards to an encumbrance on a portion of Tla'amin property located at Craig road, Tla'amin provided the property owner the opportunity to purchase the small portion of land for \$10,000. The resident counteroffered \$200 and requested Tla'amin provide an explanation of how they calculated the value of the small parcel of land.

10. Lands: EC discussed the issue of speeding on Nation roads and resolved that speed limit signs be posted throughout the Nation.

Motion: To set the speed limit of 20 km and signs be posted throughout the Nation.

Moved by: Tyrone Wilson
Seconded by: Larry Louie
CARRIED

Hegus Williams requested that the following RFP's be posted:

- Installation of chain link fence for the public works yard
- Installation of chain link fence for canoe shed
- Demolition of old band office

11. Public Works: Paving work from the Health building will commence soon.

Sliammon Dam Update: A DAR submission has been made to INAC. It was noted that the city has confirmed there is sufficient capacity to provide services to Tla'amin.

12. Taxation: The deadline for Property Tax payments was due July 3 at 4:30 pm.

13. Transition to Self-Government: The Implementation Working Group met on June 22.

F. HOUSE POSTS:

Lands & Resources – Councillor L. Wilson attended the Sea Cucumber meeting and noted that the sea cucumber industry is strong. Openings on the BC Coast rotate every four or five years for sea cucumber, except in our area. The cucumber in our area are smaller in size and since the population is stable, there are yearly openings. Councillor L. Wilson expressed an interest to inquire about the process to acquire a commercial license.

The next Natural Resources Committee meeting is scheduled for July 16.

Finance – Councillor Hackett advised that the Finance committee is tentatively scheduled to meet on July 20 to review the audited financial information.

Community Services – The Community Services post meeting will be held in August, 2018 to prepare for upcoming school year.

Public Works – Councillor T. Wilson attended the Regional Executive Emergency Committee meeting and reported that discussions were held regarding emergency response to natural disasters and the evacuation plans in place. The Salish Centre is designated as an emergency evacuation shelter and will be equipped with a safety container of blankets, dried food and other pertinent materials.

EC requested an official summary of the prawn fishery.

Economic Development – Hegus Williams reported the following:

- Tla'amin Management Services AGM was well attended.
- A group from Tla'amin traveled to Seattle for a tour of the various building structures with a developer. Tla'amin lands were discussed and the opportunity to develop a community within a community similar to Bellevue, Washington.

G. HEGUS' REPORT:

Meetings/events attended in June:

- June 21 - Indigenous Peoples Day event in Lund. The event was a successful.
- June 29 – REEC meeting followed by C3 meeting. There was discussion on a number of different topics. A Social Planner will be hired with the cost split between the three parties (PR, RD and Tla'amin).
- July 3 - Kathaumixw gala. Cuba will not be in Powell River this week. Australia and Taiwan will be performing at the July 6 concert at the Governance building.
- 14 applications were received for summer student positions. Staff are working to confirm which students are eligible for the program which could begin as early as Monday, July 9.

Upcoming meetings/events:

- July 14/15 – PR Logger Sports at Willingdon Beach.
- July 10 - Lois Lake tour
- July 23-26-AFN elections for National Chief in Vancouver. The 5 candidates are: Perry Bellegarde, Katherine Whitecloud, Miles Richardson, Sheila North and Russell Diablo.

H. OTHER BUSINESS:

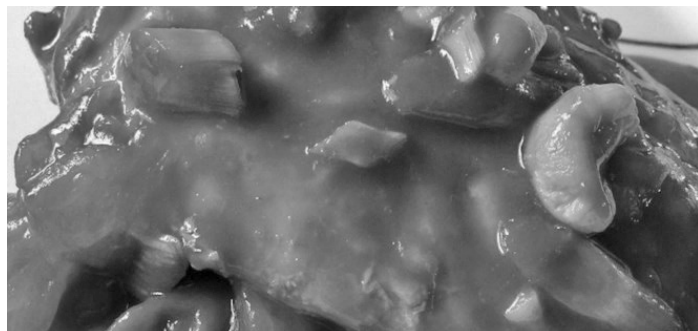
1. Executive Council Procedures Policy – EC discussed the policy and it was re-iterated that meetings of the EC can be changed if there is consensus with the group.

The EC meetings for August have been re-scheduled to August 8 and 22.



Dippers & Saucers

Mandarin Orange Chicken with Cashews



INGREDIENTS

- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves - pounded to 1/4 inch thickness
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/3 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/3 cup orange juice
- 1 (11 ounce) can mandarin oranges, drained
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onions
- 1/4 cup chopped cashews

DIRECTIONS

1. Place flour in a small bowl. Dredge chicken in the flour to lightly coat.
2. Heat olive oil and butter in a medium skillet over medium heat, and saute the chicken breasts until no longer pink and juices run clear. Set aside, and keep warm.
3. Stir hoisin sauce and orange juice into the skillet, and scrape up the browned bits. Mix in mandarin oranges, green onions, and cashews. Return chicken to the skillet. Continue cooking until all ingredients are heated through.

Serve with rice or noodles



Let's Talk Trash.ca

WHAT IS WASTE?

Zero Waste Summer

When you're out and about this summer, you'll likely be in the vicinity of tempting treats from vendors. From curbside food carts to festivals to deli to-go counters, there are plenty of opportunities to get eats on the go. The cost for this convenience, however, is often paid by mother nature. Mountains of

trash and even recycling quickly accumulate around food on the go.

Whether it is a Zero Waste event or earth-conscious food stand, you can come prepared to enjoy all the delicious food and drink options without making a ton of trash. Create your own Zero Waste to-go kit for you and your loved ones.

A great starting point is durable plates, cups and cutlery. You may already have some positively unbreakable camping gear stashed away that you could easily fish out of storage. Real cutlery is light-weight and easy to pack, but there are also bamboo and wood alternatives that will last for many years. Beeswax infused cotton is also all the rage these days. It makes a light, breathable alternative to cling-wrap that has the added bonus of being antimicrobial, antibacterial and antifungal and antiviral!

To make your Zero Waste to-go package complete, add some stainless steel or bamboo straws. Many come with a small pipe cleaner for easy maintenance. Straw alternatives like these become particularly important when you are dining near water-

ways. It's so easy for a gust of wind or a child at play to send a plastic straw into the

ocean and lakes where they are a danger to marine life. You can make your Zero Waste to-go kit complete with washable fabric napkins.

Pack all of these in a knapsack or basket



and you're set to enjoy trash-less treats this summer. Dishes can be rinsed in a nearby sink, or simply packed up for washing once you get home. A large reusable ziplock baggie or old plastic bag should do the trick for storage on-route.

If you really want to take your waste diversion to the next level, collect any uneaten food scraps along with paper napkins, wooden skewers and toothpicks. A sealable, light-weight container should serve this purpose well.

And, while recycling is a step above trashing your beverage containers, reusable containers aim even higher, by avoiding the need for a small container in the first place. Aluminum, plastic, and especially glass containers require energy to be recycled, so best to skip that by bringing a vessel for your elixirs. Refreshing and healthy drinks can be made with herbs from the garden and some ice to keep things cool.

Going Zero Waste not only keeps our waste bins tidier, it gets the whole family involved in being responsible for caring for the planet.



Happy 10th Anniversary Mrs. G
August 16th

Big hugs and loves from your family



ANNOUNCEMENTS



MEDIA RELEASE

Tsawwassen First Nation, Tla'amin Nation, and Maa-nulth Nations establish Alliance of BC Modern Treaty Nations

The newly-formed group will work together to advance and advocate for areas of shared interest relating to the implementation of modern treaties in British Columbia.

July 24, 2018 **VANCOUVER, BC** — Today, the Tsawwassen First Nation, Tla'amin Nation, and the five Maa-nulth Nations (Huu-ay-aht, Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Chek'tles7et'h', Toquaht, Uchucklesaht, and Yuulu?it?ath) have formally established the Alliance of BC Modern Treaty Nations (ABCMTN). By signing a Memorandum of Cooperation, this group commits to collaborating on areas of mutual interest related to treaty implementation in British Columbia.

The ABCMTN will address a wide range of issues requiring joint action, including revenue sharing, police service agreements, and co-management of fisheries, lands and resources.

A Canada-wide coalition of modern treaty governments has been in place for some time to advocate for improved treaty implementation at the federal level; however, no mechanism was in place for treaty Nations in BC to collectively engage at the provincial level.

"Many of the issues we're facing as modern treaty Nations today are the result of developments that none of the parties anticipated during treaty negotiations. The formation of the ABCMTN will benefit all parties as we work to resolve these shared implementation-related issues." – Chief Charlie Cootes, Maa-nulth Treaty Society

"We are looking forward to working directly alongside the other modern treaty Nations to pool our resources and engage in collaborative problem-solving and advocacy. This will also benefit the other partners to our treaties, the federal and provincial governments, by ensuring better implementation of the constitutional commitments in our agreements." – Hegus Clint Williams, Tla'amin Nation

"This alliance is about strengthening how we work together as modern treaty Nations in British Columbia. It is an opportunity to build on the nation-to-nation relationships established through our treaties by tackling some of the biggest challenges that have arisen through the implementation process." – Executive Councillor Tanya Corbet, Tsawwassen First Nation

The BC Treaty Commission (BCTC), facilitator of the BC treaty negotiations process, signed today's Memorandum of Cooperation as a witness. Each of the ABCMTN member Nations are in the sixth and final stage of the BC Treaty process: implementation of the treaty. The Tsawwassen First Nation treaty came into effect in 2009, the Maa-nulth treaty in 2011, and the Tla'amin treaty in 2016.

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Happy Birthday Mattias

8th day of the 8th month
you turn 8



Happy 18th Birthday

Jacob on August 28th
Great to have you home



"Waterfront House and Property for Sale.

Asking \$290,000.00.
(being sold by Peter August).
5169 Beach Road.

Large 2 storey house on beautiful large oceanfront lot. Upstairs used to be 3 bedroom, and now is one large bedroom (could easily add a wall to form another bedroom). 1 bedroom and small living room area downstairs. Built in 1987. Paved driveway. Carport. Kitchen and bathroom needs remodelling. New flooring installed 5 years ago (removed old carpets). Woodstove and electric heat.

Interested – contact Cathy Galigos or Peter August at 604-414-4376.



SUMMARY OF RCMP CALLS FOR SERVICE FOR: June/July 2018

This summary of police calls for service is intended to advise community members of what is occurring in the community and to encourage community members to report all suspicious activities.



Powell River RCMP Non-Emergency (604)485-6255

In Case of Emergency Call 911



JUN 20	HOMALCO RD	Police responded to a report of a suspicious person wearing a mask standing on someone's front lawn.
JUN 25	HOMALCO RD	Police responded to a report of an assault with a weapon. One male has been charged in this incident.
JUN 26	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a suspicious occurrence.
JUN 29	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a suspicious person banging on the windows at a residence.
JUN 29	RIVER RD	Police responded to a request for assistance in locating a female youth.
JUN 29	HWY 101	Police responded to a 911 call. It was determined to have occurred accidentally while the phone system was being worked on.
JUN 30	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a report of intoxicated youth at a residence.
JUN 30	HARWOOD DR	Police responded to a report of a breach of conditions.
JUN 30	RIVER RD	Police responded to a request for assistance in locating a female youth.
JUN 30	WATERFRONT RD	While investigating another matter, Police located a male breaching his conditions. The male has been charged in this incident.
JUL 01	KLAHANIE DR	Police responded to a 911 call. It was determined to have occurred accidentally and was cancelled before Police arrived.
JUL 01	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of an unwanted female at a residence who refused to leave.
JUL 01	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a stolen motorcycle.
JUL 02	SLIAMMON RD	Police responded to a 911 call. It was determined to have occurred accidentally and was cancelled before Police arrived.
JUL 04	WATERFRONT	Police responded to a report of a disturbance.
JUL 08	HARWOOD ISL	Police responded to a report that someone had found a marine flare on Harwood Island. Information forwarded to CFB Comox to pick it up.
JUL 13	HOMALCO RD	Police received a request to assist another Police Agency
JUL 18	HARWOOD DR	Police responded to a report of a breach of conditions.
JUL 18	SALISH DR	Police responded to an alarm at a business. It was determined to be false.
JUL 19	KLAHANIE DR	Police responded to a report of quads being driven on the roads.



Healthy Living Dividend 2018

This year's dividend is \$500 per person. Healthy Living Dividend forms are now available on the website.

Completed forms and direct deposit information can be submitted to dividends@tn-bc.ca or in person at the Governance House.

Last date for submission: August 31st

Release Dates: Every Friday in August, and September 7th.