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UNION OF B.C. INDIAN CHIEFS
SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SEPTEMBER 14TH 2010
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Resolution no. 2010-26

RE: Adoption and Support of the UBCIC Committee Members Accountability Standards

WHEREAS at the Union of BC Indian Chiefs Annual General Assembly in September 2009, the Constitution Committee was struck through UBCIC Resolution 2009-45 to "review the UBCIC Constitution and Bylaws" to develop:

- A Renewal Plan that considers: Priority Setting, Strategic Planning and Budgeting; Conduct of Union of BC Indian Chiefs meetings; Resolutions Management Process; and the structure of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs' Executive; and
- The Renewal Plan will provide milestones ensuring the UBCIC leadership are actively engaged in this renewal process and clear direction to ensure implementation of duly accepted recommendations;

WHEREAS the Constitution Committee provided an update to the UBCIC Chiefs Council in March and June 2010, and sought feedback and input from the Chiefs Council and the current Executive Members, and sought input from the Grand Chiefs as well as full and active members of the UBCIC;

WHEREAS as part of its review and work the Constitution Committee has developed a draft *UBCIC Committee Members Accountability Standards* for review and feedback by the Chiefs-in-Assembly at the September 14, 2010 Special General Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Indian Chiefs Special Chiefs-in-Assembly support and adopt the *UBCIC Committee Members Accountability Standards* as proposed by the Constitution Committee.

Moved: **Chief Jonathan Krueger, Penticton Indian Band**
Seconded: **Chief Ruby Adams, Shackan Indian Band**
Disposition: **Carried**
Date: **September 14, 2010**

Certified copy of a resolution adopted on the 14th day of September of 2010 in Vancouver, British Columbia

Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, President

UNION OF B.C. INDIAN CHIEFS
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS
ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

General

In this Policy "Committee Member" is a person appointed by the U.B.C.I.C. (Executive, Chiefs Council or Chiefs in Assembly) to sit as a member of a committee or working group, board, council, forum or similar group, established by the U.B.C.I.C. or to which the U.B.C.I.C. has agreed to participate.

All Committee Members appointed by the U.B.C.I.C. acknowledge that they have been appointed to represent the U.B.C.I.C. and will uphold the U.B.C.I.C. Constitution and By-laws, Aboriginal Title and Rights Position Paper, and Aboriginal Title, Rights, and Treaty Rights Mandate while representing the U.B.C.I.C.

Goals

The goals of these Accountability Standards are to:

- Ensure that Committee Members who are appointed to represent the U.B.C.I.C. honour and uphold the Constitution and By-laws, Aboriginal Title and Rights Position Paper, and Aboriginal Title, Rights and Treaty Rights mandate of the U.B.C.I.C.;
- Ensure that Committee Members open and maintain clear and effective communications with the U.B.C.I.C. and its members and remain accountable to, and directed by, the U.B.C.I.C. in their role representing the U.B.C.I.C. as a Committee Member;
- Assess and improve the U.B.C.I.C's effectiveness through the work of the Committee Members; and
- Set out how the Committee Members will report regularly on, and receive ongoing direction and feedback from the U.B.C.I.C.

Key Documents

The key documents for measuring accountability are:

- UBCIC Constitution and Bylaws including the Aboriginal Title and Rights Position Paper, and Aboriginal Title, Rights and Treaty Rights Mandate;
- The rolling appointment list, currently compiled and updated by the UBCIC Policy Department;
- The UBCIC tracking resolutions document, which is currently complied and updated by the UBCIC Policy Department;
- UBCIC Resolution no.2010-#, UBCIC Constitution Committee Recommendations Regarding Representation of UBCIC on Committee, Boards, Working Groups, Councils and other Forums;
- UBCIC Conflict of Interest and Ethics Policy.

Reporting, Accountability and Engagement

Committee Members must recognize the importance of reporting on activities and progress and engaging with the U.B.C.I.C. and its Members to ensure that their activities undertaken are pursuant to the U.B.C.I.C. vision and mandate.

Committee Members will communicate and engage directly with, and seek feedback from, the U.B.C.I.C. and its Members, within available resources, as directed by the U.B.C.I.C. when it appoints them as Committee Members and as required or directed by the U.B.C.I.C. during the course of their appointment:

- Regular verbal or written reports to the U.B.C.I.C. Executive, Chiefs Councils, and Annual General Assemblies. At a minimum, Committee members will provide written reports twice a year on their activities to Chiefs Council and if requested, provide a verbal report as well.
- Meetings and ongoing communication with interested members and individuals;
  Making information and ongoing work available online, including posting updates online or distributing updates via email to U.B.C.I.C. Membership.