

**Task Force on Poverty Elimination
Aboriginal Round Table
July 2, 2014
5:00 – 7:00 PM
Councillor's Board Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall**

In attendance: Lisa Weber (Chair), Rachelle Venne, Cheryl Whiskeyjack, Brenda St. Germain, Lisa Wolfe, Daniel McKennitt, Elizabeth Potskin, Kate Gunn, Lucenia Ortiz, Spela Crnic (recorder)

Regrets: James Atkinson, Pattie Laboucane-Benson , Ward Antoniuk, Gord Steward

Agenda Item	Member	Action
Call to Order	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 5:07 pm. Introduction of new member - Elizabeth Potskin.
Review of June 2 ART Meeting Minutes	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreement reached on minutes.
Gilman Cardinal - Update	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gilman is hoping to return in order to continue his involvement. ART members will keep getting updates about his potential involvement with ART.
ART Chair, Alternate Chair, or Co-Convener	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Co Convener is needed to make scheduling easier. It was suggested ART may need a male Co Convener in order to keep the balance. Agreement reached on Daniel McKennitt being a Co Convener for Aboriginal Roundtable.
ART Vacancy - New Member	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With one vacancy filled there is still room for new members. All current members are invited to bring forward proposals.
Definition of Poverty - Update on Subgroup Work	Rachelle Venne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ART's perspective was brought forward at the meeting in order to create a definition that would also address social inclusion.
TF Meeting – Update	Cheryl Whiskeyjack	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some concerns expressed about ART not feeling like an equal member of the Task Force. ART will try to meet before Task Force meetings to avoid playing catch-up. June 17 meeting raised some questions about ART's involvement and role at future TF meetings. Janice Melnychuk expressed interest to attend ART meetings to get a sense of their thinking and action.
Joint IRR/ART Meeting Report	Brenda St. Germain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint meeting focused on roles of Conveners and Co Conveners as well as Staff Members. Roles of Chairs were communicated to the members (as

		<p>discussed on June 24)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion on a joint Summer Workshop of both Roundtables was brought forward– the idea was supported among ART members. The agenda, date and intention of the workshop to be discussed and planned by both Roundtables. • Lisa and Daniel will further discuss all aspects of the workshop with IRRT Co Conveners • Suggestions for the Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Structure of tables and how they work together</i> - <i>How much voice does ART have in framework inputs</i> - <i>Brainstorming session about the common target/goal/result</i> • Suggestions made about sharing useful resources about Indigenous research and have them summarized by the Project Team.
Communications Working Group	Lucenia Ortiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update about Communications Committee's intentions, ideas and plans.
<p>Other TF Business Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 17 Joint Meeting of TF and RT Members • Assumptions on poverty elimination for July 17 	Lisa Weber and Lucenia Ortiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The goal of July 17 meeting is for TF and RTs to gain shared understanding about their work. • Key outcomes include: <i>agreeing on a definition of poverty; reviewing assumptions that will be gathered beforehand; addressing key elements of the framework and goals</i> • All TF and RT members are invited to submit their assumptions, which will be discussed on July 17. All Roundtable members are invited to attend and participate in the discussion.
<p>Engagement Opportunities Email:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inner City BarbeQue, July 18, 2014 	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed ART is not ready for engagement yet and the BBQ is scheduled too soon. • Kate brought forward that Sandra Huculak from Task Force is forming an engagement committee; there will be opportunities to work collaboratively with them or have representation from the Aboriginal Roundtable.
Next Meeting	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement reached on not having a meeting in August. • A Facebook group to be created by Elizabeth in order to improve and facilitate communication among members.
Closing comments and Meeting adjournment	Lisa Weber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No further comments made. • Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.