

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

In attendance: Lisa Weber, Rachelle Venne, Cheryl Whiskeyjack, Brenda St. Germain, Ward Antoniuk, Lucenia Ortiz, Spela Crnic (Recorder).

Regrets: James Atkinson, Pattie Laboucane-Benson, Daniel McKennitt, Lisa Wolfe, Damian Abrahams, Gord Stewart

Agenda Item	Responsibility	Action
Call to Order	Lisa Weber	Meeting called to order at 5:03 pm.
Review of May 5 ART Meeting Minutes	Lisa Weber	Agreement reached on minutes.
Gilman Cardinal - Elder for ART	Lisa Weber	Gilman is able to support ART although no longer able to sit at this table due to health concerns. Lisa will contact Gilman to see if he can recommend someone who is familiar with how ART is supposed to think with respect to the community and who is connect with land and with tradition.
ART Chair, Alternate Chair, or Co- Convener	Lisa Weber	It was agreed an Alternate Chair is needed. Lisa will report back on her discussion with Gilman with respect to options for ART consideration. Consensus on having a Co-Chair from ART's current members is also an option.
ART Vacancy - Additional Member	Lisa Weber	<p>It was agreed that a youth representative is needed. Cheryl and Rachelle will each approach youth who may be interested in sitting on ART and advise ART of their interest.</p> <p>All ART members encouraged to bring names forward of people they know who might b interested.</p> <p>The subject of sequencing ART meeting after IRRT and before the Task Force meeting to allow ART members prior review of IRRT information was raised at this time. It was agreed to schedule ART meeting after IRRT meeting beginning in September in order to accommodate prior IRRT information review.</p>

<p>ART Assignment Review – Responses to Questions</p>	<p>Lisa Weber</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The IRRT definition of poverty will be mailed to all ART members along with the material from information presented to the Task Force. • The Task Force is looking to add a few more layers to the poverty definition that was presented on May 27. A subgroup will be formed with representatives from ART, IRRT, TF, and hopefully one from the province to formulate a broader definition which would include aboriginal perspectives. • Brenda will extract excerpts for poverty definition exercise from the ART Assignment Interview document. • Rachelle will be the ART representative for the poverty definition exercise. • Cheryl will be the ART representative for June 17 Task Force meeting. • ART may decide to meet again to review before June 17, should it be necessary to go over the inputs for the definition.
<p>Engagement Opportunities - Inner City Barbeque, July 18, 2014</p>	<p>All</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential ART engagement events between now and September that would be appropriate for engagement should be found and ideas shared over email. "We need to figure out what we want to do together." <p>Lisa will start the email discussion on events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large organized events for engagement are possible e.g. Inner City Barbeque with the advantage being that people living in poverty will be there. <p>It was also proposed to have focus groups with guest speakers and/or a questionnaire:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple questions should be formulated. • It is important to hear the stories of the Aboriginal people. • Staff members who are familiar with Aboriginal poverty should be involved.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hidden population should be accessed to tap into their experience. • Young population should be accessed, perhaps via Facebook, for engagement.
Next Meeting	All	<p>It was decided the next meeting would be on Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at Council's Boardroom, 2nd Floor, City Hall, from 5 to 6:30 pm.</p> <p>Items for July 2 agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall/Winter ART meeting schedule. • Reasonable expectations for attendance and amending TORs to limit the number of missed meetings. • New ART members update. • ART Meeting in August.
Closing comments and Meeting adjournment	Lisa Weber	<p>No further comments made.</p> <p>Meeting ended at 7:05 pm.</p>