

## Canadian Federation of Voluntary Sector Networks (CFVSN) – Teleconference Call Meeting Minutes

August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Attendees: Russ, Bill, Lawrie, Sherri, Cathy, Sid, Michelle B., Geoff, Tanara, Jann

Chair: Russ

Minutes: Tanara

### Meeting Minutes

1. Volunteer to take notes: Tanara
2. Intro of who's on the call: See Attendees
3. Agenda Review: Approved without changes
4. To review the CFVSN's July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 minutes visit <http://thefederation.cloverpad.org/page-1108211>
5. 2014 Counterparts proceedings – Sid
  - Sid will have them completed this month

**ACTION:** Sid will send to Russ when it is complete

6. Counterparts 2016 gathering – Cathy
  - Ontario government continues to wait for the Minister's approval. They remain confident it will go though
  - Dates to be confirmed (May/ June 2016 remains the gathering's timeframe)

**ACTION:** Cathy to send a poll to CFVSN members to begin to explore dates

7. Police Information Checks Update – Jann
  - The RCMP recently hosted a conference call.. The intention is to proceed with electronic fingerprinting at some point in the future, but no timelines have been identified. The work is on hold indefinitely.
  - Will likely be discussed in Sept. 2015 at the National Dialogue. Invitees to this conversation are similar to previous lists of invitees. A couple of CFVSN members and or representatives from their organizations will be in attendance.
8. Federal Issues Task Group – Sid
  - Russ distributed the minutes from the Task Group's Meeting
  - From the meeting the following pieces for CFVSN members were identified:

- i. Would be helpful if CFVSN members could amplify the Imagine Canada messaging – IC plans to create an Elections Digest (beginning in August), webpage for the Election (end of August) and host webinars (Sept.)
- ii. It was identified that there is a need for better information about the sector

**ACTION:**

- Cathy has a piece that can be circulated – *How nonprofits can contribute to democracy*
- Michelle has come across a piece that can be circulated – *Federal Election's Toolkit*
- Sid to create a piece (August) that would help CFVSN members talk with politicians

9. Updating Provincial Labour Force Efforts Document – Tanara

- A document of provincial labour force efforts was put together by scanning the [hrcouncil.ca](http://hrcouncil.ca) website, passed notes from Labour Force Strategies Leaders Group and by reviewing the websites of provincial organizations.
- The document will be used to inform the discussions around what work should take place at a national level.
- Base information from the document will also be used to update [hrcouncil.ca](http://hrcouncil.ca) : <http://hrcouncil.ca/issues/evolution-nonprofit-labour-force-strategies.cfm>

**ACTION:** CFVSN members to review the document for accuracy. Add content as appropriate and send feedback to Tanara by the end of August. Also include ideas of how this type of information can be circulated moving forward.

10. National/ Provincial HR Work – Cathy

- 2 pager was developed that describes initial thoughts about what scope of work is best done by what level of jurisdiction in Canada to support the nonprofit sector's labour force.
- The document will be used to inform the discussions around what work should take place at a national level.

**ACTION:** CFVSN members to provide Cathy with feedback on the document by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

11. Roundtable

Jann – Work is taking place in Alberta to review the non-profit incorporation legislation. Through this work the sector will connect government to determine what needs to take place moving forward.

Russ – Currently exploring opportunities – would they consider doing work/ hosting an event in Canada - with the Leadership Learning Community in California <http://leadershiplearning.org/>

Michelle – Pillar has been doing lots of work focused on social finance – encouraging nonprofits to find new types of investments. They are seeing a real culture shift within their area. Happy to chat with others about this work.

Cathy – ONN is tracking towards their fall conference. Also just starting to work on a sector driven evaluation framework – how can the sector/ organizations own evaluation. NOTE: Capacity Canada is working on an *Evaluation Boot Camp*, evaluation tools for organizations.

12. September Call – September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 1-2 pm EDT