



British Columbia Forests Society

Board of Directors – Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2008

Location: Pacific Forestry Centre

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Participants: Board - Andrew Mitchell, Harry Drage, Bill Wagner

Guest - Larry Sluggett

Old Business:

TFL land removals – This issue, primarily involving lands west of Victoria, is becoming more contentious as more people become aware of the lack of leadership and good judgement shown by the Minister of Forests. There is the possibility of a formal review to be conducted, possibly by the Auditor General's office. We will continue to participate and provide information to groups such as the Dogwood Initiative who are spearheading the issue.

Business from the Minutes:

Newsletter - Our next newsletter, Winter of 2007, will be developed on the new format and circulated to members for comment.

Introductory Piece - The brief simplified society 'introductory note' is finished. It is one page, done in a similar format to the new newsletter. It will be circulated to members for comment.

New Business:

Most of the time for this meeting was involved with open discussion about the challenges facing the Society in our objective to promote the cause of the collective public interest in resource stewardship in BC. We are hopeful that the upcoming Roundtable will provide an opportunity for us to engage with decision-makers about our thoughts for a better way to 'do the business of forestry' in the province. It could also act as catalyst for us to more formally develop our concepts and ideas for innovative stewardship.