

MHSS Update

April 2014

The MHSS Advisory Committee had their first meeting on Friday April 11, 2014.

The Advisory Committee is comprised of the following appointees:

5 MHSS Appointees from the following houses, or their designate:

Keltsmaht

Quatswetaht

Manhousaht

Puneetl

Matsquiaht

1 Council representatives (appointed by Chief and Council)

Director of AEA

Director of Health

2 Members at large and 1 Youth Representative (by application)

- o Purpose of meetings is for the Board to report out on activities and financials
- o Forum for MHSS to demonstrate accountability
- o Committee may offer advice or recommendations in setting priorities for strategic plans
- o Such advice and recommendations will be considered by the Board of Directors for future decision making

Advisory Committee Members are appointed for a two-year term.

The Advisory Committee will meet twice annually with the Board of Directors. The Advisory Committee will be presented annual plans and year-end financial reports.

A notice was posted for Ahousaht members to express interest in sitting on the Advisory Committee as members-at-large. There were 2 positions for members-at-large and one youth rep.

The members-at-large are Vera Little and Jose Robinson.

The youth representative is Allan Williams.

The MHSS General Manager presented the year end financial report (year ending September 30, 2013), and a year-to-date financial report and budget up to February 2014.

MHSS also presented update reports on various projects including Matsquiaht, the fuel station, tourism, forestry and aquaculture.

Reports will be posted on the web site for members to view.

MHSS is working on developing a secure site within the web site for posting financial reports so that they can be accessed by Ahousaht members only.

The Advisory Committee was provided copies of Policies developed to date, and some that are in draft form. We have posted the Funeral Policy and the Team Donation Policy on the web site. We are working on Policies for Pa'uukt Funds, and Event and Individual Donations. These will be posted once they are adopted by the Board of Directors.