

Chair report up to & including May 22/19

This report is presented to the Board as a way of me informing you on my activities as Board Chair since the last Board meeting. Should there be any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly or raise the concern when this item is presented for receipt at the Board meeting.

- The NCLGA convention & AGM, that most of you attended, was a great success. I had several delegates comment on the banquet entertainment, the tours offered and the food as specific highlights for them. Once again the credit goes to staff, both at the CRD, the City of Williams lake and the NCLGA staff for a job well done. I hope you all found it a learning experience, and a good predecessor for UBCM in September.
- During the event I did meet with Rural Coordination Centre of BC along with Directors Forseth, LeBourdais and Richmond. Thanks to Director Richmond for organizing this and convincing this group that when they are talking recruitment and retention of health care professionals throughout the Province, Regional Districts need to be included. I think the 2 gentlemen heard our concerns, and understand some of the challenges we find ourselves in.
- The Northern Medical Trust Program had its AGM during NCLGA, and I am pleased to announce that the Cariboo is well represented on the Board. I still have one more year in my term, Councillor Jason Ryll from Williams Lake was acclaimed replacing Mayor Campsall who had reached the maximum an appointee is allowed to serve, without taking a break for a year, along with Director Massier as a Director at Large.
- On Friday May 17, prior to the Strategic planning session, I attended the Leaders Moving Forward meeting, hosted by Mayor Cobb. It was great to see Dr. Glenn Fedor there talking about recruitment and retention challenges, the upcoming challenges with anaesthesiologists in the region and the resumption of maternity services in the Central Cariboo. Josh Pressey was also in attendance as the Acting Regional Executive Director for FLNRORD, replacing Mike Pedersen, and Josh will be presenting to us at Board on the Road coming up in Quesnel.

- I hope those of you that attended the Strategic Planning session with Paula Schmidt found it useful and engaging as the CRD plans its goals and strategic priorities over the next couple of years.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo A. Wagner.