



Regional Board Report

TO: Regional Board

FROM: Mary Jane Drouin
Manager –Corporate Services

DATE: December 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Electoral Area Director Approval to Attend 2021 Conferences

Voting Entitlement: *All Directors – Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority – LGA 208.1*

Purpose: To seek Board approval for Director Bartyik and Director Carson’s attendance at the 2021 local government conferences.

Executive Summary:

Board approval, as per policy, is required should an electoral area director wish to attend conferences/seminars. In 2021, the following conferences are planned: UBCM Electoral Area Directors’ Forum (virtual) Feb 2-3; LGLA 2021 Leadership Forum (virtual) Feb 3-4; SILGA (Southern Interior Local Government Association) Vernon, April 27-30; FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) Montreal June 3-6 and UBCM (Union of BC Municipalities) Vancouver Sept. 13-17. Due to the on-going pandemic many, if not all conferences will be held virtually however registration fees will apply. The 2021 electoral area budgets will take into account the expenses for attending the above conferences/seminars.

As per Board policy the following travel expenses may be claimed:

Board Remuneration and Expense Policy No. 7.15

Expenses for attending Conference and Seminars (All Directors)

When attending out of District meetings, seminars, conferences or other business authorized by the Board, Directors are entitled to claim receipted expenses for the following:

- i) ferry tolls, ferry reservation fees and highway tolls;
- ii) airline tickets including all fees and charges;
- iii) bus, taxi, and limousine services;
- iv) parking charges;
- v) business phone calls; and vi) accommodation

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Regional Board approve Director Bartyik and Director Carson’s attendance at the 2021 Electoral Area Directors’ Forum, LGLA Leadership Forum, SILGA, FCM and UBCM conferences should they wish to attend, including registration and travel expenses as per Board policy.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Jane Drouin".

Mary Jane Drouin
Manager-Corporate Services

Approved for Board’s Consideration

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Reardon".

Brian Reardon, CAO