

**MINUTES OF**



**THE ASSOCIATION OF  
KOOTENAY & BOUNDARY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

**Annual General Meeting**

**CRANBROOK BC APRIL 23, 24 AND 25, 2009**

**“SHARE, LEARN, CELEBRATE”**

## **DELEGATES**

### **EXECUTIVE DELEGATES**

President Heath Slee – Regional District of East Kootenay, Director

Vice-President Grace McGregor – Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, Director

Director Kirk Duff – City of Castlegar, Councillor

Director Rob Gay – Regional District of East Kootenay, Director

Director Al Graham, City of Trail, Councillor

Director Wesly Graham, Town of Creston, Councillor

Director Randal Macnair, City of Fernie, Councillor

Director Andy Shadrack, Regional District of Central Kootenay, Director

Parliamentarian Elaine Kumar – RDKB, Director of Corporate Administration

### **LIFE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

2006 Dieter Bogs – City of Trail

2005 Bill Baird – RDKB

2004 Bert Banks – retired

2005 Gord DeRosa – City of Trail

1996 Jim Ogilvie – City of Kimberley

2003 Josh Smienk – retired

2001 John Voykin - RDCK

### **STAFF**

Secretary/Treasurer Arlene Parkinson – Village of Warfield

## REGISTERED VOTING DELEGATES

### **Regional District of Central Kootenay**

Wright, Gary - Chair  
Binks, Larry  
Faust, Ramona  
Jackman, Garry  
Kettle, John  
Mickel, Ron  
Peterson, Paul  
Popoff, Walter  
Shadrack, Andrew  
Voykin, John – Life Member  
Zaitsoff, Gordon

### **City of Castlegar**

Chernoff, Lawrence - Mayor  
Chernoff, Kevin  
Duff, Kirk  
Hearne, Russ  
Krueckl, Bernie  
McIntosh, Deb  
Turner, Gord

### **Town of Creston**

Toyota, Ron, Mayor  
Ducharme, Tanya  
Graham, Wesly  
Schmalz, Jerry  
Vondracek, Ed

### **Village of Kaslo**

Lay, Greg, Mayor  
Cormie, Donna  
Frary, Tony

### **Village of Nakusp**

Hamling, Karen – Mayor  
Hughes, Joseph  
Mueller, Uli

### **City of Nelson**

Dooley, John – Mayor  
Adams, Bob  
Cherbo, Robin

Kozak, Debra  
Macdonald, Donna  
Stacey, Margaret

### **Village of New Denver**

Campbell, Katrine  
Greensword, Bonnie  
Murphy, Kevin

### **Village of Salmo**

Henderson, Ann – Mayor  
Haughton, Janine

### **Village of Silverton**

Johnson, Ross

### **Village of Slocan**

Perriere, Madeleine - Mayor  
Elliot, Hillary  
Lunn, Jessica  
McGreal, Patricia  
Patterson, Jean

### **Regional District of East Kootenay**

Walter, Norman - Chair  
Booth, Wendy  
Gay, Rob  
Slee, Heath – President AKBLG  
Sosnowski, Mike  
Wilkie, Gerry

### **Village of Canal Flats**

Woodbury, Bruce - Mayor  
Mcdonald, Michael

### **City of Cranbrook**

Manjak, Scott - Mayor  
Davis, Angus  
Pallesen, Denise  
Schatschneider, Liz  
Scott, Diana J  
Whetham, Bob

**District of Elkford**

McKerracher, Dean - Mayor  
McLean, Shelly  
Wildeman, Ken

**City of Fernie**

Giuliano, Mary  
Goos, Aaron  
Iddon, Phil  
Macnair, Randal

**District of Invermere**

Taft, Gerry - Mayor  
Brydon, Ray  
Campsall, Bob  
Miller, Al

**City of Kimberley**

Ogilvie, Jim – Mayor – Life Member  
Bush, Brent  
Hoglund, Albert  
Weston, Paddy  
West-Sells, Bob

**Village of Radium Hot Springs**

Conklin, Deirdre - Mayor

**District of Sparwood**

Wilks, David - Mayor  
Banks, Jim  
Halko, Lois

**Town of Golden**

Fitzgerald, Jamie  
Hambruch, Chris  
Jaswal, Kuljit  
Magnusson, Magnus  
Moss, Caleb  
Pecora, Mike

**Regional District of Kootenay  
Boundary**

Rotvold, Marguerite – Chair  
Baird, Bill – Life Member  
Christensen, Marie  
McGregor, Grace Director AKBLG

Perepolkin, Irene

**Village of Fruitvale**

Cecchini, Patricia  
Gray, Larry

**City of Grand Forks**

Taylor, Brian - Mayor  
Davies, Joy  
Moslin, Chris  
Robert, Gene  
Thompson, Christine  
Wirischagin, Michael  
Wyers, Cher

**City of Greenwood**

Stevenson, Christopher

**Village of Midway**

**Village of Montrose**

Welsh, Griff – Mayor  
Danchuk, Joe

**City of Rossland**

Granstrom, Greg - Mayor  
Charlton, Laurie  
Moore, Kathy  
Smith, Hanne  
Wallace, Kathy

**City of Trail**

Bogs, Dieter – Mayor – Life Member  
Balfour, Jack  
DeRosa, Gord – Life Member  
Graham, Al

**Village of Warfield**

Nelson, Jim – Mayor  
Baggio, Donna  
Crockett, Bert  
Crozier, John  
Milne, Tom

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*TELUS*  
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ASSOCIATION OF KOOTENAY AND BOUNDARY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
MINUTES  
PROCEEDINGS OF FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2009

MAYOR OF CRANBROOK	Mayor Scott Manjak welcomed the delegates to the City of Cranbrook and introduced Council and Staff.
FCM WELCOME	John Dooley, FCM welcomed all delegates and presented a brief overview of FCM activities.
UBCM WELCOME	Robert Hobson President, UBCM welcomed all delegates and presented a brief overview of UBCM activities.
WELCOME	President Heath Slee welcomed all to the AGM and introduced the AKBLG Executive and the MIA representative to the membership and recognized the presence of the Life Members.
CALL TO ORDER	President Heath Slee, of the Association of Kootenay & Boundary Local Governments called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	President Heath Slee presented the President's report
AGENDA	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded the <i>2009 Annual General Meeting Agenda was adopted as circulated.</i>
MINUTES	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the 2008 Annual General Meeting Minutes were adopted as amended.</i>
FINANCIAL REPORT	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the 2009 Financial Report was adopted.</i>
APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the following Scrutineers were approved:</i> <i>John MacLean RDKB, Jon Wilsgard, Town of Golden and Victor Kumar, City of Grand Forks</i>
NOMINATIONS	<p>President Heath Slee, Chair of the Nominations Committee put forward the name Grace McGregor, Regional District of Kootenay Boundary for President. He called for further nominations and there were none at this time.</p> <p>President Slee put forward the name of Wesly Graham, Town of Creston for Vice-President. He called for further nominations and there were none at this time.</p> <p>The Nominations Committee put forward the following names for Director:</p>

	<p>Duff, Kirk, City of Castlegar          Gay, Rob. Regional District of East Kootenay          Graham, Al, City of Trail          Macnair, Randal, City of Fernie          Robert, Gene, City of Grand Forks          Shadrack, Andy, RDCK</p> <p>The Nominations Chair called for further nominations for Director, and the following were duly nominated and accepted.</p> <p>Banks, Jim, District of Sparwood          Hoglund, Albert, City of Kimberley          Kozak, Debra, City of Nelson          Zaitsoff, Gordon, Regional District of Central Kootenay</p>
<p>CALL FOR ELECTION</p>	<p>Election for the position of Director of AKBLG will be held Saturday, April 25, 2009 between 8:45am and 10:00 am PST</p>

**President’s report to delegates of the 2009 Convention**

Hello everyone.

Once again it has indeed been a special honour to have served as your President this past half year. As you all know, the results of our November election had a major impact on our Association. We lost four members of our Executive including President Joe Snopek, Vice president Gordon McAdams, Director’s Tom Mann, and Ann Gordon. I wish to acknowledge all the hard work that these people have contributed during their time served on AKBLG.

I would also like to thank those new Directors who joined our Executive on such short notice, and have served and participated with much enthusiasm since November, Director’s Andy Shadrack, Al Graham, Randall McNair and Gene Roberts.

As I’m sure many of you are aware, the UBCM Executive was not immune to the impact of the November civic election. Among those not being returned from our Association were Joe Snopek, and Gordon McAdams. Fortunately our Association still retains two seats on UBCM Executive one of which was a Director At Large position won by Wesley Graham at last fall’s UBCM, and that of the AKBLG President.

Wesley serves on two committees with the UBCM Executive, those committee’s are; Healthy Communities and the Convention Committee.

Myself, I sit on the Environment Committee, and Community Economic Development Committee.

I won’t go into a lot of detail about the activities of the Union of BC Municipalities because our President Robert Hobson, will be addressing delegates during our opening ceremonies.

I would however, like to give you all a brief overview of those committee activities that Wesley and I serve on.

**Convention Committee:**

- the basic program has been determined and initial discussions held regarding the theme, partners program, and welcome reception.

- workshop and clinic applications have been approved and will be posted on the UBCM website in May.
- the committee has reviewed and discussed the final results of the 2008 Delegate Evaluations.
- planning for the upcoming convention in Vancouver in September is well underway.

**Healthy Communities:**

- one of the projects the committee is working on is a guidance note for local governments outlining details of the new Public Health Act (PHA)
- the committee has requested that Ministry staff provide a forum for more dialogue with local governments on the development of the PHA guidance note.

**Environment Committee:**

- will engage in consultation with affected local government on the draft Riparian Areas Regulation Protocol, and communicate concerns to Ministry of Environment and Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans.
- will engage in consultation with local governments affected by the Landfill Gas Management Regulation.
- consult with BC Product Stewardship Council on whether twine and agricultural plastics should be prioritized for inclusion in product stewardship programs.
- monitor the work of the Collaborative Watershed Initiative and identify local government representatives for participation in initiative activities.
- host an environment conference in the spring of 2010 and work with the federal and provincial government on a funding participatory framework in 2009.

**Community Economic Development:**

- seek feedback from the membership on 29 recommendations put forward by the Roundtable on Forestry. This will be done through our Area Associations, with a view to developing a UBCM response to those recommendations for submission to the Minister of Forests. This would be a good topic for discussions at our forums both rural and municipal.
- gather further information about the BCUC inquiry into Long Term Transmission Infrastructure and Capacity and consider preparing a submission on UBCM's behalf.

**Regional District Task Force:**

- The task force met and explored in greater detail the three issues that were outlined for the members at the 2008 UBCM Convention which are Electoral Area Governance; Fringe Area Planning and Servicing Issues; and Crown Land/Regional District Interface.

**Columbia Basin Trust:**

- Kirk Duff is the AKBLG representative on the Columbia Basin Trust Climate Change Committee. Since the Climate Change workshop which was held in Cranbrook in November of 2007 the communities of Elkford and Kimberley partook in a Climate Action initiative. A presentation by the Columbia Basin Trust will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday to report on the results of the initiative and other activities that the CBT is involved in.

**As for our Association's activities:**

- We recently met with MP Jim Abbott to discuss the status of the Federal Infrastructure Funding program and when we can expect to see those dollars begin to flow. Among other topics discussed



were the current economic slowdown, expansion of broadband to rural areas, and the impact felt by layoffs in the forest sector.

- Art for Municipal House. Municipal House will soon be occupied by staff and UBCM will officially have a place to call home. During our “Welcome Reception” Thursday evening, all delegates will have the opportunity to cast a vote on their favourite piece of artwork to display at Municipal House. This will be our Association’s contribution to Municipal House, a work of art that depicts the Kootenay/Boundary region.
- The Association has once again lent its support to participate in a booth at the UBCM convention in Vancouver in 2009.
- A first for UBCM and our Association, the Executive of UBCM is tentatively planning on holding next year’s Executive meeting in conjunction with our April 2010 convention in Castlegar. It is hoped that this will be done on a rotational basis throughout our five Associations.
- Vice President Grace McGregor will be attending the Southern Interior Local Government Association convention April 29 to May 1, which will be hosted by the City of Osoyoos.
- The AKBLG has lent its support to a water study on the Kettle/Granby watersheds.

Elaine Kumar has once again offered to be our Parliamentarian during the resolutions debate and discussion. AKBLG is very grateful for Elaine’s expertise and I know that with her sage advice, we will have some well deliberated and debated resolutions to take before the UBCM convention in September.

On behalf of all of the Executive thank you to Arlene Parkinson for all the hard work she has put in during this past year.

Thank you to the City of Cranbrook, Mayor Manjak, Council, Staff and Volunteers for all the effort you have put into making this year’s convention such a success, a big thank you to all of our sponsors without whose continued support this Association’s convention would not be possible.

Heath Slee,  
President AKBLG.

RESOLUTIONS	The Resolutions Committee of Kirk Duff, Rob Gay, Wesly Graham and Gene Robert presented the following resolutions.
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**RESOLUTION #1  
UPGRADE TO HIGHWAYS FROM THE BC/ALBERTA BORDER TO  
ANARCHIST PASS**

**CITY OF GREENWOOD**

WHEREAS the arterial highways and secondary roads of the Boundary and West and East Kootenay can no longer safely handle the increasing volume of summer time traffic; AND WHEREAS the risk of serious motor vehicle accidents on these roads is increasing and this also has a detrimental impact on commerce in these areas.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities urge the Provincial Minister of Transportation to develop a plan and a time line to upgrade the arterial highways and secondary roads of the Boundary and the West and East Kootenay, and commit funds to start as soon as possible.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #2**

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY**

WHEREAS Regional Districts do not have any direct input or discussion with the Province in regard to Independent Power Producers on behalf of their residents. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all Regional Districts be included in the Provincial consultation process for independent power projects proposed within their jurisdiction.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #3**

**MANDATORY FOOD LABELING FOR GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOODS**

**VILLAGE OF MONTROSE**

WHEREAS Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) and the foods containing them have not been fully tested and proven safe for human consumption by Health Canada;

AND WHEREAS Health Canada does not require mandatory labeling of all food products containing GMOs in British Columbia or in any Canadian province:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities lobby the provincial government and the Honourable George Abbot, Minister of Health to make it a requirement to label all food products containing GMOs in British Columbia, and said label is to list each GMO item contained in the food product thereby allowing the consumer to make an informed decision as to the ingredients of the food they consume.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #4**

**BENEFIT PLAN FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS**

**CITY OF GRAND FORKS**

WHEREAS the Fire Services Liaison Group has identified in their "Proposed Fire/Rescue System Model" an "impending crisis" related to the recruitment and retention of Volunteer Fire Fighters;

AND WHEREAS smaller local governments in an effort to attract and retain quality volunteers for Fire Departments, would benefit from a reasonably priced medical/dental benefit plan for Volunteer Fire Fighters.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities be requested to work with existing carriers to design a medical/dental benefit plan, at a reasonable cost, specifically for Volunteer Fire Fighters

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #5**

**DEVELOPMENT OF THE HOME-RENOVATION CHECKLIST**

**CITY OF GRAND FORKS**

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has offered a tax credit for home renovations;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government be requested to research and develop a checklist for home renovation consumers, with the view of protecting them from contractors.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**RESOLUTION #6**

**RAIL LINE PROTOCOL USA AND CANADA**

**CITY OF GRAND FORKS**

WHEREAS a large number of businesses and industries rely on rail transportation for access to the USA market for receiving and shipping of materials and goods and this mode of transportation can be jeopardized when the only access into Canada is through the USA;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request the Province of British Columbia to establish, in consultation with the Government of Canada a protocol on rail line abandonment that affects Canada and the USA.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #7**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION ACT**

**CITY OF GRAND FORKS**

WHEREAS all legislation pertaining to Local Government Elections is contained within the Local Government Act;  
AND WHEREAS a separate Act for all legislation pertaining to Local Government elections would be easier to manage for candidates and the public at large.  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request the Province of British Columbia to consolidate all legislation pertaining to Local Government elections into one Act, to be known as the Local Government elections Act.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #9**

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS FOR SOLAR POWER GENERATION SYSTEMS**

**TOWN OF GOLDEN**

WHEREAS solar energy systems presents real and proven environmental and economic efficiencies for both commercial and domestic applications;

AND WHEREAS enabling programs promoting Solar energy systems should be considered a necessary component to the Province's initiatives to address climate change and meet the principles of the Climate Action Charter;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities appeal to the Provincial and Federal Governments to immediately institute meaningful, effective programs that incent homeowners and businesses to install Solar energy systems in their homes and facilities to supplement their electrical consumption, thereby reducing their reliance upon and enabling them to contribute to the provincial power grid.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**RESOLUTION # 11  
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA TO SUPPORT LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
DISTRICT OF INVERMERE**

WHEREAS there has been communication among local governments regarding support for local issues;

AND WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia, in the past, has not considered the wishes of the local government when the local governments are in the position to better understand the needs and wishes of the local communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities support the need to consider local government's comments when they are directly impacted by any Provincial decision or policy direction.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #12  
BC AMBULANCE SERVICE**

**VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER**

WHEREAS there are recruitment challenges for paramedics working on-call and stand-by shifts in rural and remote communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government and BC Ambulance Service to address the recruitment and retention situation, by increasing the rate for the stand-by, on-call and the honorarium for volunteer/part-time ambulance staff paramedics in rural and remote communities throughout the province by an amount that is equivalent to the increase in the overall BCAS budget over the last few years – an overall increase that is not reflected in remote area on-call pay increases.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**RESOLUTION #13  
PROPOSED FIRE SYSTEM RESCUE MODEL**

**VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER**

WHEREAS the Fire Service Liaison Group is proposing significant changes as to how fire services in small local governments are governed, delivered and supported, in the form of a new draft "Model" for the Fire/Rescue System in BC;

AND WHEREAS the majority of fire fighters in small, rural and remote areas are volunteers that provide non-medical emergency services, in the form of fire protection.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Office of the Fire Commissioner and the Ministry of Public Safety and the solicitor General, be made aware that the new draft “Model” for the Fire Rescue System in BC, has not only unfeasible financial and liability implications for rural volunteer fire fighters, but also negative ramifications to the recruitment and retention of dedicated volunteer fire fighters in the rural and remote areas of the province.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #14**

**LOCAL ADMINISTRATION AND INVESTMENT OF CARBON OFF-SET FUNDS**

**CITY OF GRAND FORKS**

WHEREAS the Climate Change Charter requires local governments to purchase “Carbon Off-sets” as part of their obligation to become carbon neutral by 2012 and;  
WHEREAS these funds can be more effectively spent by the same local governments that pay it.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities petition the Province of British Columbia to allow local governments to administer and invest in local environmental programs with their own “Carbon Off-set” funds.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #15**

**CLASSIFICATION OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**

**AKBLG**

WHEREAS the Local Government Act was amended in 2008 to note that volunteer firefighters are classified as employees for the purpose of local government elections;  
AND WHEREAS this amendment to the Local Government Act disqualifies volunteer firefighters from being elected to a local government position:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the AKBLG request the Minister of Community Development to further amend the Local Government Act to permit volunteer firefighters to hold public office for a local government in British Columbia.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #16**

**STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM FOR RECYCLABLES**

**KOOTENAY BOUNDARY RD**

WHEREAS Local Governments in British Columbia under Province of BC legislation are responsible for managing solid waste diversion programs including collection and marketing of recyclable materials and;

WHEREAS product stewardship recycling programs have demonstrated far greater resiliency to market fluctuations than local government recycling programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM urge the Province of British Columbia immediately enact a stewardship program for all packaging as defined in the Environmental Management Act and that the time frame for full implementation of a packaging stewardship program be no more than two years;  
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM urge the Provincial Ministry of Environment to develop a cost recovery formula whereby industry stewards pay for the planning of a packaging stewardship program.

**CARRIED**

LATE RESOLUTIONS	<p>On Motion, duly moved and seconded, all of the late Resolutions were referred to the AKBLG Executive for discussion and referral to UBCM.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
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LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS	<p>President Slee, Nominations Chair, asked for the third and last time for nominations for President. There were no further nominations for President. At this time nominations for President were closed.</p>
	<p>President Slee, Nominations Chair, asked for the third and last time for nominations for Vice-President. There were no further nominations for Vice-President. At this time nominations for Vice-President were closed.</p>
	<p>President Slee, Nominations Chair, asked for the third and last time for nominations for Director. There were no further nominations for Director. At this time nominations for Directors were closed.</p>
LIFE MEMBER	<p>President Slee, Regional District of East Kootenay was presented with a Life Member Award.</p>
MUNICIPAL INSURANCE ASSOCIATION	<p>President Heath Slee, Director RDEK was appointed as MIA Representative for the next 3 year term.</p>
UBCM PRESIDENT	<p>Address by UBCM President Robert Hobson</p>
2010 and 2011 HOST MUNICIPALITIES	<p>Vice President McGregor informed delegates that there were several offers for future Hosts. She called three times for further bids for hosting the 2010 Convention.</p> <p>2010 AGM and Convention Host – City of Castlegar 2011 AGM and Convention Host – City of Kimberley 2012 AGM and Convention Host – City of Trail</p>
PRESIDENT	<p>Grace McGregor was declared President of the AKBLG for the 2009/2010 year.</p>

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VICE PRESIDENT	Wesly Graham was declared Vice President of the AKBLG for the 2009/2010 year										
DIRECTORS	The Directors of the AKBLG for the 2009/2010 year were elected as follows:  Kirk Duff, City of Castlegar Rob Gay, Regional District of East Kootenay Al Graham, City of Trail Debra Kozak, City of Nelson Randal Macnair, City of Fernie Andy Shadrack, Regional District of Central Kootenay										
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ADJOURNMENT	The 2009 Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. PST										