Archives Council Nunavummi
Annual General Meeting 7pm
September 11, 2007
Nunatta Sunakutangiit Museum
Iqaluit, Nunavut

Present:
Brian Lunger: President
Phillipa Ootoova: Vice President
Kerry McClusky
Hugh Nateela
Leevede Atagoyuk
Jakob Gearhard
Dalton Campbell
Lorraine Brandson

Absent: Pitseolak Kilabuk, Lorraine Kanatsiaq,

1. Brian Lunger: Call the meeting to order: 7:30 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda: Motion #2007-11-01 Brian Lunger asked to approve the agenda by Phillipa Ootoova, seconded by Jakob Gearhead.


The Archives Council of Nunavut has had another active and successful year. At out last teleconferenced Annual General Meeting in October of 2006 we set the goal of working towards bringing our membership together to meet in person for our 2007 AGM and more importantly to be able offer free training to our members during that time. Through funding support from the Government of Nunavut’s Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth as well as Library and Archives Canada and the Canadian Council of Archives, National Archival Development Program and the Museum Assistance Program from Canadian Heritage we are here tonight and able to participate in the conservation workshop we have scheduled this week here in Iqaluit.

Another important project we have been working on throughout the year is a public awareness campaign aimed at communicating basic information on what archives are and their value to Nunavummiut, as well as connecting with potential new CAN members and groups and individuals with archival collections in Nunavut.

This public awareness project began in February with the release of an information flyer and questionnaire. “Do you have old records?” followed with radio and newspaper
interviews. More recently with CLEY funding we have been able to produce more promotional materials including a poster, a brochure, a 2008 calendar, and a radio public service announcement which will be ready for distribution to all Nunavut communities later this month. The printed items are in Inuktitut, Inuinnaqtun, English and French and the public service announcement recording is in Inuktitut and English.

I need to acknowledge Ericka Chemko’s contribution to these projects. Ericka put so much work into organizing and fundraising for the Archives Council of Nunavut this past year and is responsible for a lot of our success. Ericka resigned in July as CAN Secretary and Treasurer and has moved to England on a year of educational leave. We wish her all the best and have our fingers crossed that she comes back to work in heritage in Nunavut again next year. And while we’re on the subject of special people who have recently left the CAN, I will mention Emily Angulalik who is no longer with the Kitikmeot Heritage Society in Cambridge Bay. Emily was particularly helpful with her advice and help with Inuinnaqtun translations. Also Winnie Owingayak who has retired and managing the Inuit Heritage Centre in Baker Lake-Winnie always gives us a valuable elders perspective and was very generous with her time and commitment to the archives council. Fortunately, we have still able to maintain connections with these two great heritage organizations and are very happy to have Dalton Campbell representing KHS and Hugh Nateela (the new Winnie) joining us at the AGM and workshops.

As an archives council we continue to maintain close relations with the Canadian Council of Archives. Last year, both Phillipa and I attended the National Assembly of Archives in Ottawa on behalf of the Archives Council of Nunavut and I participated in monthly teleconferences meetings as Archives Advisor for the ACN. For the second year the CAN has again submitted successful applications for National Archival Development Program funding through the CCA. Both years we have been able to access all the funding that has been allocated for Nunavut. This year we encourage more members to submit applications for NADP funding. With enough advance notice before the deadline date we are also willing to review your proposals and help you make a good and eligible submission to the National Archival Development Program as well as other funding sources such as CLEY and Canadian Heritage.

I thank you all for your interest and participation in the Archives Council of Nunavut and I look forward to working with you over the coming year.

Brian Lunger
President, Nunavut Archives Council

Questions:

Kerry McCluskey of Nunavut Tunngavik asked if there could be a face-to-face meetings.

Chairperson: Being a not for profit society there was a discussion of the In-kind contribution that we receive the information of changing of the staff. The Grants and
Contribution that we get is $400 dollars. Presently, I will ask to move to accept the financial statements.

Mover: Phillipa Ootoova
Seconded: Kerry McCluskey

Chairperson: Presentation of the Secretary Treasurer’s report. Ericka Chemko has left the board and is away on educational leave. Until she is back Leevede Atagoyuk has agreed to take on the position as secretary treasurer’s duties with the Council. He will act as the interim secretary-treasurer. Brian read the interim report.

Regarding membership fees the monies will continue to go to account. The old account was closed which was based out of the Cambridge Bay Royal Bank and has since been opened in the Iqaluit Royal Bank. There was a mention of discussing the issue of monthly fees with the bank. There has to be some recognition from the bank that the Archives Council Nunavummi is a not for profit society under the legislation.

Other Business:

Chairperson: Item 7, (a) Membership updates and introduction. Members present made their opening remarks about the respective organization and has to be a push to create more membership within the territory so that there would be more members within the present organization.

Phillipa Otoova comes from the Pond Inlet library and a local board runs the organization. She says that she has over 600 old photos, many local oral history, also the Father Mary Guy Rossille collection which he made archeological surveys in the surrounding area and was a Roman Catholic Priest. There is the issue of storage of the old artifact that are archival material.

Lorraine Branson: Curator, Eskimo Museum. She said that she many old artifacts. There is a push of have the archival material to be stored digitially. There is a resource importance to the community of the role that the museum plays in the historical artifacts that are in the form of photos, raw audio and video materials that are available.

Kerry McCluskey: From Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated based in Iqaluit. She says that there is old photographs from the land claim history. They are based in many different boxes and aren’t stored. Many of the early historical negotiations

Jakob Gearhead-Clyde River Heritage Centre mentioned a pool of activities the centre does with the community. There are a pile of photos and videos, there has been a series of cultural retreats, youth producing their own videos. Jakob mentioned that the Hip Hop dancing has created self esteem to the youth of the community in expressing themselves and a way of communicating.
Dalton Campbell of the Kitikmeot Heritage Centre provided a brief description of the Heritage Centre activities in Cambridge Bay. There are a series of old photos dating back to the early 1900’s. There is a series of issues relating to a database that he is working on.

Hugh Nateela of the Baker Lake Heritage centre has taken over the position from Winnie O. The facility is under the Hamlet of Baker Lake. He is slowly getting into his position and is working with the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth in getting funding for the building and other things that the centre needs.

Brian Lunger of the Nunatta Sunakutanngit museum provided an update of what the museum is doing in the heritage sector. The museum will be producing a historical aspect of the community dating back to the early 1900’s when the community started growing.

B) 2007/2008 Public Awareness Project. There was a brochure, poster and a audio public service announcement in Inuktitut and English. Members took a break to view the material.

Meeting resumed:

C.) Future Planning

This wording is subject to change if it was based on an old version of the bylaw.

7.(D) Increasing membership of Archival Council Nunavummi. There will be a campaign to increase the membership of the organization.

7.(E). There was a motion on the floor to extend the term of the President. Moved by Kerry McCluskey where the wording as follows:

Viii (a) should now read:

The directors from their own number shall at annual general meetings elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and other such officers as are deemed necessary. Elections for vice-president, secretary, treasurer shall be held in even numbered years, and elections for president shall be held in odd numbered years.

Seconded my Jakob Gearhead:

8. Delegate presentation of Nunavut Heritage Training Institute by Catherine Cole and Wendy Molnar. They made a presentation of the institute and had a series of digital photos of what the delegation has done over the last year in the heritage sector.

9. Motion to adjourn the meeting. Phillipa Ootoova moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Lorraine Brandson. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.