**Co-Chair:** CVRD Chair Aaron Stone  **Participants:** Chief William (Chip) Seymour (co-Chair), David Anderson, David Slade, Debra Toporowski, Lori Iannidinardo, Kristine Sandhu, Alison Nicholson, Dale Derocher, Tom Rutherford, Heather Pritchard, Shannon Waters (10:30), Tim Kulchyski (10:30)  **Guests:** Brian Houle, Catalyst Paper, Oliver Brandes (POLIS)  **Minutes/Tech support:** Jill Thompson (250-709-0492 for help)  **Absent:** Stuart Pagaduan, David Froese

### 1. Welcome

Aaron welcomed participants with quick round-table of intros.

### 2. Approve Agenda

Add Danielle Paydii to join us under “Other” RE BC Water Security Coalition.  
Approved.

### 3. Review and approve the Minutes of February meeting.

No changes. (No minutes for March)  
Approved.

### 4. Updates from Executive Director

Tom presented update. See [presentation](#).  

Tom flagged that the Koksilah Water Sustainability Plan will take more staff time, and require a new ‘hire’ if it proceeds.  

**Discussion:**

- funds could come from DWWP fee for service contract or from the province.  
- other projects of this typeSCALE in the province have budgets of $1milion/yr x 3 yrs.  
- role for CWB might require from 2 days/mo to ½ time position plus funds to support research, events, etc.  
- CVRD staff can’t work on this unless budget it allocated.  
- CWB core funding/budget hasn’t changed in 10 years yet Koksilah work...  

- Suggestion that CWB considers proposing fee for service funding from CVRD for Koksilah Water Sustainability Plan work if it advances.
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<th>Cowichan River in-season Water Management</th>
<th>Brian Houle updated the Board on current river levels. Tom spoke about the In-season decision making framework. See links for details.</th>
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<td>Other- BC Watershed Security Coalition</td>
<td>Danielle Paydii requested that CWB consider adding our name to the BC Watershed Security Coalition and provided details of the Coalition’s purpose statement. Chief Seymour reflected on the past 10 years and increasing flooding and drought, and spoke in support of the efforts to work together to secure provincial funding for watershed projects.</td>
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<td>Adjourn.</td>
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