

President's Report: Summary of OPSRRA Activities since April 17, 2016 AGM

1. OPSRRA directors held 5 directors' meetings.
2. 7 newsletters were sent to 205 households and 8 non-members via e-mail.
3. Continued to up-date the OPSRRA web page (www.opsrra.ca). OPSRRA Facebook page also maintained.
4. Maintained 27 Community Notice boards in Otter Point, plus the 2 Welcome to Shirley and 3 Welcome to Otter Point signs.
6. OPSRRA subcommittee of the board continued and completed work with the team of four Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science students at RRU (calling themselves Pacific Priority Solutions) on the Water Resource Sustainability project for our three communities. The project was finalized in August, 2016. 2 of the students presented their final report at the Membership Meeting November 20, 2016. OPSRRA will continue to look at ways of exploring some of the larger issues involved with characterizing water resources in our communities with CRD and the province.
7. Received Grant-in-Aid to fund a project to continue work on dumping and garbage issues in our communities, to support a clean up initiative led by a member in April followed by a Director/member led clean up in October.
8. Held a Membership Meeting November 20, 2016.
9. Made a submission to the CRD raising concerns about Public Meeting times that are not conducive to having the public be able to attend if they are interested or have concerns.
10. OPSRRA's very first board retreat was held on the afternoon of January 10, 2017. Board members revisited and reaffirmed the Association's current vision and mission; proposed developing a bylaw resolution (dissolution clause); looked at ways of streamlining our business operations including board agenda items and meetings; examined approaches for effectively recruiting board members and new society members; communications; and brainstorming current and future projects to consider pursuing. Another board retreat will be scheduled with the new on-coming board members in spring 2017.

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