



November 27, 2018

UPDATE TO THE MEMBERSHIP FROM THE PVSBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors met on November 14, 2018 to hear the progress made by its two committees.

To recap, these committees were established at the September Board meeting to achieve activities seen as critical to the success of the organization. These committees are the Research Committee and the Executive Director Hiring Committee.

The following provides an update on the work of these committees:

Research Committee - to effectively advocate for Police-based Victim Services, the Board believes that constituent data should be compiled for PVSBC.

The inaugural meeting was held October 17, 2018. Members include:

- C. Van Dyke
- A. Eilander
- S. Pellegrino
- B. Vincent
- C. Buck
- D. Moran

The committee recognized the collection of baseline data will support a new Executive Director better understand the breadth and depth of Police-based Victim Service Program and effectively represent our interests. The committee also identified data requirements, collection strategies, including consideration of mechanisms that minimized the impact on programs, and collection tools.

As the most direct route, the committee determined seeking baseline data from the Province of BC, the primary funder for many programs would be appropriate. A preliminary listing of data elements was submitted to the Community Programs Victim Services and Crime Prevention Division Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General with the PVSBC quarterly report.

A complete listing of the data elements was submitted in a letter to Marcie Mezzarobba, Executive Director of Community Programs Victim Services and Crime Prevention Division on October 31, 2018. The data elements range from contract holder names and contacts, contract schedules, hours of service funded, compensation and questions related to other after hours work and working conditions.

The committee has proposed that a research analyst be engaged to augment any outstanding data requests.

A meeting with Marcie Mezzarobba regarding the data request will take place on December 10, 2018.



Executive Director Hiring Committee - the Board recognized the importance of this hiring process for the future of PVSBC and as such as established a hiring committee.

Members include:

- K. French
- F. Jang
- J. Johnson
- R. Smith

This committee held its inaugural meeting on October 11, 2018. A formal Request for Proposal was prepared, and four potential proponent firms were identified and invited to respond. Responses were received on October 31, 2018. The committee evaluated the responses and made a recommendation to the Board Meeting on November 14, 2018.

The Board agreed to proceed with a Chemistry Consulting (<https://chemistryconsulting.ca/>) to support the Board with the hiring of the Executive Director. The committee will engage with Chemistry Consulting over the coming weeks and will continue to engage the full Board in this process as well as keep the membership informed. The Board anticipates this critical position will be filled by the end of the fiscal year.

Our Board composition is now complete which means each region and program type is represented. Your current Board of Directors are listed below.

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The Board plans on meeting again February 13, 2019 at which time final hiring decisions are anticipated.

Wishing you All the Best for the coming new year!

