Attendees (Alphabetical)

1. Aunty Anne – Snaw-Naw-As First Nation, Elder
2. Chris Burger – City of Parksville, MABR Liaison
3. Daniel Sailland – Town of Qualicum Beach, CAO
4. David Bob – Snaw-Naw-As First Nation, former Chief
5. Dave Witty – Vancouver Island University, MABR Director
6. Julie Pisani – Regional District of Nanaimo, DWWP
7. Makenzie Leine – Island Timberlands
8. Marc Lefebvre – City of Parksville, Mayor
9. Mark Stephens – Snaw-Naw-As First Nation, Band Administrator
10. Monica Shore – Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Region, Coordinator
11. Neil Horner – Town of Qualicum Beach, Councillor
12. Pam Shaw – Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Region Research Institute
13. Sarah Lumley – Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Region Research Institute
14. Steve Adams – TimberWest
15. Tyler Brown – Regional District of Nanaimo

Regrets

1. Brent Edwards – Snaw-Naw-As First Nation, Chief
2. Chris Cole – TimberWest
3. Debbie Comis – City of Parksville, CAO
4. Ken Epps – Island Timberlands
5. Kim Burden – Parksville & District Chamber of Commerce
6. Michael Recalma – Qualicum First Nation, Chief
7. Robert Everson – K’ómoks First Nation, Chief
8. Teunis Westbroek – Town of Qualicum Beach, Mayor
9. Tim Clermont – Nature Trust of BC
10. Tom Reid – Vancouver Island Conservation Land Management Program
11. Tony Litke – Ministry of Environment

Welcome & Opening Prayer

- Aunty Anne, Snaw-Naw-As Elder, sang welcome prayer
- David Bob, former Snaw-Naw-As Chief, opened the meeting

Agenda

- Meeting chaired by Monica Shore, MABR Coordinator
- Agenda reviewed and approved with no changes (please see Appendix I)

MABR Culture of Engagement

- Monica introduced 10 principles of engagement to new participants
MABR Update

Updates were provided on the following topics:

- The 4th World Congress of Biosphere Reserves in Lima Peru from March 14-17, 2016
- The Canadian Biosphere Reserve Association AGM in Winnipeg from April 24-26, 2016
- Efforts to increase Indigenous engagement in Canadian biosphere reserves
- The MABR’s strategy to acquire federal funding in collaboration with the 17 other Canadian BRs

Regional Impact

- We are part of incredible international network that is becoming globally significant—a worldwide movement
- Biosphere reserves are positioned to contribute to Canadian conversation on truth and reconciliation and are tools for fostering sustainable development at the local level
- Roundtable to start planning a United Nations Biosphere Day for 2017 in collaboration with the community—a way to showcase what everyone in the region is doing

MABRRRI Update

- A brief overview of MABRRRI's 2015-2016 projects and student team

Roundtable Representation

- Roundtable members will work to develop a Terms of Reference for Roundtable participation
- Members discussed possible gaps in representation: agriculture/food security, youth, school district, other First Nations, health, economic development...
- The Roundtable will remain a size that continues to enable meaningful conversation. Larger forums like a “UN Biosphere Day” will be planned to ensure that all people can have a voice

Closing Remarks from Snaw-Naw-As Elders

- Aunty Anne and David Bob shared closing words
- MABR Roundtable Gathering Volume 3 concluded at 3:35pm.