



FIRST NATIONS FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE

September 21 – 22, 2017
Best Western Inn
Terrace, BC

Draft Agenda

August 11, 2017

DAY ONE **Thursday, September 21, 2017**

8:00 am **Conference Registration**
Full Breakfast
Exhibitor Displays

9:00 am **Opening Comments & Delegate Introductions:**
Trevor Morrison, AFOA BC President
Traditional Welcome: Sharon Bryant, Kitsumkalum First Nation

9:30 am **Effective band and nation communication**
Jacob Beaton, Principal, Jacob Beaton Consulting
Jacob will present some common points of holdbacks that come from poor engagement between council, staff, and members. You will learn some best practices for engagement along with some policy and technology tips.

10:15 am **Refreshment Break and Exhibitor Displays**

10:30 am **Improving your budget IQ**
Elaine Eccleston
Looking at budgets with outcomes and strategic goals front of mind. A hands-on workshop, bring a calculator. You will learn a methodology to aid you in looking at every budget you prepare with fresh eyes.

Breakout Sessions

Moving from lateral violence to a kinder workplace
Dr. Christina Dobson, Senior Advisor, Health & Wellness Program, Carrier Sekani Family Services
Participate in a discussion to encourage compassion with the intention to create a kinder workplace.

12:00 pm **Lunch & Exhibitor Displays**

1:00 pm

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2:30 pm

Refreshment Break and Exhibitor Displays

2:45 pm

HR Best Practices with a legal expert

Jennifer Wiegele, Lawyer, Miller Titerle

An opportune time to get some legal advice related to employee behavior, federal labour laws, and provincial labour laws. Jennifer will answer questions that participants have submitted in advance and will take questions during this session.

4:00 pm

Wrap Up/Comments from Delegates

Led by Carol Reimer, Vice-President, AFOA BC

**5:00 pm to
7:00 pm**

President's Reception

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DAY TWO **Friday, September 22, 2017**

8:00 am **Registration
Full Breakfast
Exhibits**

9:00 am **Opening Comments:**
AFOA BC Board member

9:15 am **Managing risk with a Financial Administrative Bylaw (FAB) or
Financial Administrative Law (FAL)**
Jeanie Lanine, Lawyer, Cedar Law
An overview of the pros and cons of implementing a FAB or FAL as a best practices risk management tool. You will hear some real life examples of common financial management issues and how they can be addressed through the implementation of financial rules and practices.

10:00 am
Refreshment Break and Exhibitor Displays

10:15 am **Managing wealth from economic development opportunities**
Panel Discussion with Moderator Diane McRae, Executive Director, Gitksan Government Commission
Speakers: Chief Joe Bevan, Kitselas First Nation

11:15 am **Update on new fiscal relationship**
Dillon Johnson, Vice-President, AFOA BC

11:45 am **Closing Remarks/Evaluations**
