

# 2015 ELECTED OFFICIALS SEMINARS

### Elected Officials Seminar for NCLGA Communities Coast Inn of the North, Prince George February 4-6, 2015

#### Wednesday, February 4, 2015

6:00 pm	Registration FOYER	
7:00 pm	Plenary Session Opening and Welcome NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Chair Al Richmond, Cariboo RD
7:15 pm	The "W's" of Elected Officials Who you are; why you're here; what you wish to accomplish NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Richard Taylor, LGLA
8:00 pm	Keynote NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	George Abbott
9:00 pm	Reception FOYER	

#### Thursday, February 5, 2015

7:00 am	Breakfast Buffet FOYER		
	Concurrent Clinics		
7:30 am	<b>Newly Elected: Making Meetings Work</b> <i>Meeting Procedures 101: the rules of the road</i> <i>NECHAKO &amp; TABOR ROOM</i>	Walter Babicz, Director of Legal & Regulatory Services, Prince George	
	<b>Returning Elected: UBCM Funding Programs</b> An overview of current funding programs such as the renewed Gas Tax Fund, the New Building Canada Fund, and others. SUMMIT ROOM	Glen Brown, UBCM	
8:30 am	Orientation to the Day NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Chair Al Richmond, Cariboo RD	
8:35 am	<b>Roles, Responsibilities and Teamwork</b> The roles and responsibilities of councillors/board members; staff/elected official relations; and the art of working together NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Gordon McIntosh, President Local Government Leadership Institute	

10:00 am	UBCM Presents NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, President, UBCM	
10:15 am	Coffee Break FOYER		
10:35 am	Concurrent Sessions		
	<b>Newly Elected: Local Government Law 101</b> Overview of Community Charter and Local Government Act; statutory requirements: what you can do - what you can't; responsibilities; bylaws and resolutions; types of meetings NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Sandra Carter & Sonia Sahota Valkyrie Law Group	
	Returning Elected: Decision Making, Priority Setting and Thinking Strategically The importance of good decision-making and the value of priority setting SUMMIT ROOM	Gordon McIntosh, President Local Government Leadership Institute	
1 <b>2:00 pm</b>	Lunch Buffet FOYER SPONSOR: FORTIS	David Bennett, Director, External Relations	
1:00 pm	<b>Legal Clinic: Council/Board Members as Individuals</b> <i>Public hearing skit; legal clinic – discussion of conflict of</i> <i>interest, liabilities, in-camera confidence, etc.</i> <i>NECHAKO &amp; TABOR ROOM</i>	Don Lidstone, Lidstone & Company	
2:30 pm	Coffee FOYER		
2:45 pm	<b>Municipalities and Regional Districts</b> Overview of regional districts; roles, responsibilities and relationships	Moderator: Jim Martin, CAO Fraser-Fort George RD	
	NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	RD Validator: Chair Al Richmond, Cariboo RD	
3:45 pm	Local Government Partnerships and Collaboration Roles, responsibilities and relationships with partner governments and agencies NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Richard Taylor, LGLA Grace Van den Brink, MCSCD Scott Sitter, BCA Elizabeth Brennan, LGMA	
4:35 pm	Supper Break – On Your Own		
7:15 pm	<b>Local Government Mentoring Panel</b> Veteran elected officials share their knowledge and experiences NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Mayor Taylor Bachrach, Smithers Chair Art Kaehn, Fraser-Fort George RD Councillor Murry Krause, Prince George Chair Al Richmond, Cariboo RD Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, Quesnel	
8:30 pm	Adjourn		

## Friday, February 6, 2015

7:00 am	Breakfast Buffet FOYER	
	Clinic	
7:30 am	Local Governments and First Nations: Working Together Building positive relations with First Nations neighbours NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Grace Van den Brink, MCSCD TBD, Fort St. James TBD, Nak'azdli First Nation

8:30 am	Orientation to the Day NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Councillor Brian Frenkel, Vanderhoof	
8:35 am	Concurrent Sessions		
	Newly Elected: Local Government Financial Management I Budgeting – everything you want to know, need to ask, and more NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Douglas Holmes, BBA, CPA, CA Douglas Holmes Consulting	
	<b>Returning Elected: Local Government Financial</b> <b>Management II</b> Strategic financial planning and financial management SUMMIT ROOM	Jerry Berry, Principal Advisor Jerry Berry Consultants Inc.	
10:30 am	Coffee Break FOYER		
10:50 am	Concurrent Sessions		
	Newly Elected: Local Government Community Planning Why and how we plan; statutory requirements; council/board, staff and public roles NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Finlay Sinclair, MCIP, RPP Chief Executive Officer, TRU Community Trust	
	<b>Returning Elected: Citizen Engagement</b> Improving decisions through citizen engagement SUMMIT ROOM	Jan Enns, Principal Jan Enns Communications	
1 <b>2:15 pm</b>	Lunch Buffet NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM SPONSOR: BC ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY	Connie Fair, President & CEO	
1:00 pm	<b>Communications and the Media</b> Everything you want to know about the media and the art of media relations NECHAKO & TABOR ROOM	Norman Stowe, Pace Group	
2:15 pm	Closing Comments and Adjourn	Councillor Murry Krause, Prince George	