

Genetic Conservation Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting minutes – February 12, 2016

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Meeting Febr. 12, 2016, Meeting held online from 10 am – 12 pm.

Attending:

GCTAC members: Pia Smets (Chair), Sally Aitken, Charlie Cartwright, Andreas Hamann, Dave Kolotelo, Michael Murray, Alan Vyse, Tongli Wang.

Others attending: Jack Woods, Brian Barber, Leslie McAuley

Regrets: Jun-Jun Liu, Tory Stevens (on PT leave), Alvin Yanchuk (on leave).

1. GCTAC Budget 2016-2017 discussion

The GCTAC budget for 2016-2017 was discussed and an A and B version was agreed on.

Budget A total: \$ 250,768

Budget B total: \$ 213,700

The budget was approved by all voting GCTAC members who were present in the meeting,

Action: Jack will present the budget to the FGC.

2. Discussion of GCTAC Strategic Plan 2015-2020 draft of Febr. 9, 2016.

Regarding the strategic plan, edits were suggested regarding:

- acknowledging the status of whitebark pine as a species at risk,
- the need for redundancy across as well as within conservation methods,
- the long term funding needs for seed bank management
- additional clarification regarding the term representative populations
- the preference for not mixing ex-situ and in-situ conservation status in appendix 2
- the need for further development of the indicator graph in appendix 3

Action: Further comments on the draft are invited until February 20. Pia will incorporate the edits.

Minutes by: Pia Smets.