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Coordinator: Excuse me, recordings have now started.

Chantelle Doerksen: Good morning, good afternoon and good evening. Welcome to the BC Outreach call on Monday, March 5, 2018. Attendance will be taken via the AC room only. And I will note we have Jimson Olufuye and Lawrence Olawale-Roberts on the phone bridge. And we have apologies from Chris Mondini and Gabriella Szlak.

With that I would like to turn it over to Andrew to begin. Andrew, please go ahead.

Andrew Mack: Great. Thank you very much. Team, I appreciate you getting together at this unusual time, and apologies for any fogginess; it's getting kids off to school at a day for me. By the way, I've got kind of a scratchy back noise. Is anybody else hearing that? Okay, if you are not on – and I will do the same – if you're not speaking if you could be so kind as to mute your phones, that'd be helpful.

I know Lawrence has already expressed that he's got to take off a little bit early so I think what I'm going to suggest also since Marilyn and a couple of others who will not be – one quick second, is to understand of everybody who is on this committee, is everybody expecting that they will be in San Juan? Anyone that we know is not expecting to be in San Juan?

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: This is Lawrence. I won't be there.

Andrew Mack: Okay. Omar, yourself? Okay, well if you could put in the chat when you get a moment it will be helpful for us to understand who's around and who's not. Why don't we go to talk briefly about the events that we did around IGF, because that's one that we haven't had a discussion very much. And Lawrence, you want to lead us off since you've got the time constraints? Tell us a little bit about the remote hub, please.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Thank you, Andrew. And I want to first of all say that it's – the remote hub that was hosted in December in Abuja was a very big success. There were, if I recall, three or four hubs that were selected but I guess only two was active; our hub in Abuja and another hub in the eastern part of Nigeria. So how to hosting the hub we've had – we've not had a very, very good success with this model in Nigeria. I understand that previous hubs hosted by the NIGF, that's the Nigerian IGF group, had attendance ranging from three to five participants.

And so they had been – they have been quite some discouragement on if it was a good mode of engagement or not. Learning from this, we decided in our hub, especially since this was the first time that they organized private sector was going to be hosting a hub of this nature, we decided to, you know, learn from the, I mean, take some lessons from past – from the experience of past participants and so organized the hub activities in such a way that it wasn't only going to revolve the sessions that were happening in Geneva.

So what we did was to also invite into the hub organizations like the Internet Society, ISOC, knowing that they had future events in Geneva. We selected their session, for instance, as one of the sessions that we were going to showcase at the hub. And right after that – their particular session we'll now

have the members of – the executives – the members of ISOC at the hub, you know, deliberate further.

This was a very good move so to say, and not only did it help with having participation basically on ground but then it helped with the drive – not membership drive, now participation so to say, engagement was high. We also opened up the facilities to Nigerians who were remotely participating and needed to intervene in the IGF program itself.

Our major focuses were sessions that had to, you know, deal with trade, that had to deal with ICANN as an organization, that had to do with the economics and issues like cyber security that affected Nigeria as a nation. So all in all through the four days that the hub was active we had a total of about 15 participants, which was a big encouragement.

It is better than that and so looking at how far we've come with last year's program, one, the hub – the idea of, you know, the private sector running a hub seems to be the way to go especially for us here in Nigeria because with diverse participations, we had some members of the outreach committee who were on ground at the hub also that were active, and were able to interact with members who were also interested in knowing more about ICANN and particularly the Business Constituency.

As we made it known there, the hub was more or less powered by the resources provided by the BC. We had about three people who showed interest. One had already put in the application; the other two need to do certain things on their own end before they also commence with their application. (Unintelligible) to also know if there's any way we can help them proceed further. But I look forward to the BC putting this as a feature that they would like to support on an annual basis. While it is not automatic that

Microboss was continually be selected as, you know, a company to provide the remote facility from Nigeria, but I believe that in other places where there is a need to drive the business expert to understand Internet governance and to also participate actively, this kind of a model will be a very good one to get some commitment going.

So I'll just stop at this point and take any questions that we might have. Hello?

Andrew Mack: Any questions from the group? Jimson, please, I can see your hand, I'm sorry.

Jimson Olufuye: Yes, thank you very much, Andrew and Law for that report. How do you think BC can directly benefit from the hub in the future and noting that BC put in some little fund to make it happen?

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Yes, so not just in the future, with this particular event there was quite a mileage of publicity for the BC, people who were invited definitely got to know more about the BC. But even before the hub went live itself there was a lot of publicity that was done. We used – we leveraged on different (unintelligible) and sectors. You know, the ISOC did a lot – a very, very good nation-wide publicity for us in fact. And so I mean, the publicities that were going out, you know, there were mentions of who our sponsors were.

So aside from those who were attracted to come into the hub to, you know, make inquiries about the BC, we had the forms, we had flyers, we had all kinds of materials on ground, the publicity that had gone out and the report that also went out after the hub activities was a lot of, I mean, carried some mileage of publicity for the BC.

In future also I hope that the BC will, like I said earlier, will continue to support this kind of event because while we might have two or three people

eventually join our membership, which is a very, very good plus, the mileage that it gives the BC in terms of publicity locally – there are people who wanted to know, okay, there were a lot of questions, how does the IGF and the BC relate together and stuff like that, and so there was a lot of focus on especially the sessions that we had ICANN participate in and who were able to, I mean, having look out, I mean, telling look out this is X, this is Y, this is this person's name.

There were a lot of Nigerians engaged in, it was really a very, very good – it's given a lot of exposure so to say, and we just hope that more people will be able to join in the hubs and have more hubs in future. So it gave the BC a lot of publicity.

Jimson Olufuye: Excellent. Just a follow up, I think it would be good if you put something maybe brief, maybe quarter page. I think that would be very, very good, you know, for our newsletter.

Andrew Mack: Yes, I think...

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: No problem. No problem.

Andrew Mack: All right, Lawrence, this is Andrew. I think that's a great idea for the newsletter. I also think that it would be very worthwhile for you as part of your report out, and I know you've sent something in, I think, the – if we could create as much as possible a template so that in future if we have other groups that are going to be trying to put one of these remote hubs together that we can, number one, know what success looks like; number two, know what the steps are; and number three, have a sense of the budget that we would want and we would need, I think that would be tremendously helpful.

So if we as a outreach could call upon you to create a little bit of a template for future ones of these, that would be terrific.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Great, so I'll work on that too.

Andrew Mack: Thank you. Just – nothing elaborate, just a best practice, you know, outline. So here's what – based on what we've learned here's what we recommend, you know.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Great.

Andrew Mack: Okay. Thanks very much. For anybody else who was speaking at IGF, you want to give us a quick call – a quick point out? Jimson, I know you were there.

Jimson Olufuye: Yes, Andrew, I've reported on that before. And will submit a report so I don't think repeating myself is necessary.

Andrew Mack: Fair enough. Fair enough. Okay I didn't know if you wanted to add anything. Great.

Jimson Olufuye: Okay, no.

Andrew Mack: Okay, we'll try to get a hold of Marilyn and have not had any luck with that. Do we want to talk at all about the – why don't we talk a little bit about the onboarding project? Arinola Akinyemi:, you're here, can you give us a quick – your quick thoughts on where we are with that?

Arinola Akinyemi:: Okay, can you hear me everybody?

Andrew Mack: We can now. Yes, please, go ahead.

Arinola Akinyemi:: Can you hear me?

Andrew Mack: Arinola Akinyemi:, we can hear you, please go ahead.

Arinola Akinyemi:: I'm not sure. But...

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Arinola Akinyemi:, we can hear you.

Andrew Mack: Chantelle, I think we may have lost Arinola Akinyemi:.

Chantelle Doerksen: Hi, Andrew. I'm messaging her now. Arinola Akinyemi:, if you have a number that we could call you at, I would be more than happy to do so.

Andrew Mack: Okay. While that is – we're working on that, we have Item Number 6, the comment on the draft BC comments on budget and operating plan. Jimson, as you are the oftentimes keeper of that, and you made part of the comment, would you like to give us your thoughts on that one?

Jimson Olufuye: Well, I think what is given to the outreach is the issue of cuts on CROP. So there have been cuts on CROP and we are making the case that CROP should not be cut or removed from ICANN budget. Well, I think in the budget comments, ICANN is making cuts all over but this past (year) there's no cuts, yes, at least in terms of salary, the aggregated percent of the budget. But CROP is quite essential; it's what we use to get new people into the BC and then mentor new players to come into the business community, the constituency of ICANN.

So let's wait and see what happens but we have made a case that CROP should not be cut. And the same regard, we do not know what will happen to the leadership development project requests, budget requests is reduced to 50% or so. So with maybe that intervention the Budget Standing Committee I made input in that regard as well and many of the member too from other constituencies, they found the reduction in support room for budget request. So we don't know what it is going to be like yet but let's wait and see.

Andrew Mack: Jimson, thank you very much for that and for your efforts on this – in this area. The leadership support basket was always one that was a little bit less clear to me than CROP. CROP I think we all get and we've used effectively throughout our time. What is the, I guess – I guess what is your sense, is the leadership support as important? Is the leadership support piece of it something that is – I don't think it's as well known within the community. Any comment on the future of the leadership support one? Do we have a preference?

Jimson Olufuye: Well, we shouldn't forget that many of these things are BC initiative and kudos to Marilyn actually. It was Marilyn that started the idea of, you know, support for outreach, it was Marilyn that pushed and then became a pilot that ICANN provided to all of the constituencies. And then it became a permanent feature of ICANN budget. But now it has been taken off.

For the leadership it's also unique to BC, leadership development is unique to BC in the sense that what we say is, okay, provide slot for us to be able to invite some business leaders who otherwise would not come to meetings. While CROP is for members to use to go and do outreach; leadership development is for us to use to bring leaders into our midst, you know, in Abu Dhabi we brought (Allah) from Egypt and (Allah) is not a member. We've

used the leader development to bring, you know, (Shanka) from Sri Lanka, he's not a member of the BC.

In fact I think leadership also was what Marilyn used even to the – to support us initially in (2013) that led to me becoming a member of the BC as well or playing an active role. So if they (unintelligible) program to bring leaders. And this year for ICANN 61 Anders is coming. Anders, that is the vice president of WITSA is coming to San Juan using the CROP – using – sorry using the leadership development.

So there's supposed to be two slots, but only one person, that is Anders that we're supporting, no other – we didn't get any proposal from any member to support anybody from North America. So that's why the budget request this year I placed my emphasis on developing countries because...

Jimson Olufuye: ...focus on developing countries who will have gotten its use fully. So that is...

Andrew Mack: Question for you, Jimson. I've got – I've got (Jeff Blackwell) also on the list on the – on our agenda. Can you confirm that he's not coming? I thought he was.

Jimson Olufuye: Yes he's coming but he's not using – he can bring himself.

Andrew Mack: He's not using the leadership funds?

Jimson Olufuye: Yes, he doesn't want funds – doesn't need to be funded but will be there.

Andrew Mack: Oh, got it. Got it. Got it, okay. Well okay so...

Jimson Olufuye: That slot is not used now.

Andrew Mack: Understood. Understood. Let me suggest to the entire outreach team that this is one of those areas where it's I think perhaps even we are not as clear on what the leadership development program has done historically. I had no idea, Jimson, that that's how you got into the BC. That was a real win for us and obviously a really good investment for ICANN.

So it may be worthwhile for us to spend a little bit of time trying to promote the tools that we have a little bit more including within the BC so that we get more visibility for them and a little bit – perhaps a little bit more ability for other BC members who are not as up to speed on the finance and programming pieces of outreach to lend us a little bit more support. So I think that that's a really good observation. I had no idea that you came in through the leadership development, Jimson, that's fantastic.

Jimson Olufuye: Well, Andrew, if I may, I think the key thing is for members to ask questions because during budget requests, which I have to do, when I do it I send details to the list. So like for 2018 I send out the details even for leadership development, I sent it in and I think it's also been good, if the outreach committee also meets and then asks the question you're asking now and also maybe some other ideas, you know, that we can bring to there to maybe draw down on our budget and also engage.

You know, Marilyn came up with this idea of Business Summit, things like that. Though it got shot down, okay. But outreach committee need to come up with ideas that will come into budget like this year we will be doing the budget for FY'19 now very soon, you know, I'll start compiling it. If there is no input from outreach committee so that would be (unintelligible), I think outreach committee to be talking about that now, budget, what we do, what we ask for FY'19 (unintelligible) so that we won't have to just put anything for outreach committee.

Andrew Mack: Yes...

Andrew Mack: Please, go ahead.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: So with regard the...

Jimson Olufuye: Who's talking?

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: ...with regard to the budget for FY'19, I am of the view that once ICANN has finalized their decision on the budget, you know, and made it public, it's going to take – I believe it's going to have to be amended so to say, it's going to take some time. So it might be – it might be much better on our part if we proactively push items that we feel are very, very essential to outreach for the BC and see if – and see how this can be accommodated early enough in the process rather than having to wait to see what ICANN comes up with.

The fact that ICANN has tweaked and cut down on major events and budget items that they used to fund including items like CROP that is cross

community, I have the fear that the leadership program and even the outreach, the funds that you know, the global stakeholder engagement might require to fund some of the requests that we make during the year might be impacted by the budget.

So I'm of the opinion that the BC or maybe the outreach committee on behalf of the BC need to highlight some of these things that we do not presently see in the budget – feel are budget items, I mean, see as line items in the budget – in the proposed budget for 2019. And rather than having to (unintelligible) renegotiating and kicking to have these items put back, maybe say that these are priorities for certain reasons for the BC and, you know, we would like to see them remain on the budget.

Like Chris mentioned in the last BC call, there are some other groups that I feel help give some visibility to the kind of work we do, you know, like the ICANN wiki, for instance, that we might also maybe lend our voice to or some other outreach project that we see as helping to also bring in the kind of stakeholders we need in the BC, that we can also lend support to especially the fellowship program.

The fellowship program is cut by half by the proposed budget for 2019. This was the vehicle through which myself and a few others have come into join the BC and be active. And so we need to push back and let ICANN know that the cost of, you know, recruiting some four, five staff and keeping them on staff for the whole year equates outreach opportunities for some 20 going to 30 persons is not a very good balance.

I think rather than just wait to see how things turn out for the finance committee or the outreach committee or the full BC should come out to make

certain statements to also reemphasize the fact that, you know, we want to see more done in terms of outreach.

Andrew Mack: I hear you, Lawrence. And I – what you're saying makes good sense. I think that there is not going to be a pipeline of new leaders if we aren't able to continue our outreach (unintelligible). Sorry, I'm getting a terrible echo. I'm still getting – taking it off of speaker. I think that that's extremely important. And I agree that it appears that we're perhaps a little bit more focused on putting new staff on – staff as opposed to the outreach pieces that – and including things like fellowship.

I also agree that it's worthwhile for the BC to be active not just around our outreach but in support of other outreach activities. To earlier points about the fellowship, I think there's some concerns that the fellowship is a good idea but it isn't necessarily sustainable.

I think our experience with our fellows who have become BC members would suggest exactly the opposite. And so one of the things that would be worthwhile would be for us to try to figure out what we did right and how we are being more successful perhaps than others in getting BC members to take on a larger role. What has worked for people like you, Lawrence, and so we should push that forward. That's item number one.

Item number two, I agree that we should go ahead and lean forward if at all possible under the assumption that there will be funds available. We should go ahead and try to plan out as best we can. I think to the questions about the business summit, I don't think there was a lot of disagreement that a business summit might be a good idea. I think that the challenge was that we didn't have enough detail at the time when this was being proposed to really be able

to push it forward in a concrete manner, and it seemed like a very large ask financially from the BC.

Also aimed at very high level audience. And one of the things that is hard for me to know personally is whether that's the way that we're going to get the most members or the most influence. I know that we have had a lot of success aiming at the individual member level and I think that that's been pretty successful.

So I think four is something that is more of a high level event, if we're going to put in that kind of resource, we have to get a very clear sense of what we're going to -- how this is going to be different from the model that we normally use. And it just wasn't clear to me. I know that -- by take Jimson your earlier point about trying to get out in front of these things as much as possibly can.

Has anybody not spoken? Omar, do you have any comments that you'd like to do and then I'd like to talk a little bit about San Juan.

Omar Ansari: Thank you, Andrew. Would you like me to speak about...

Andrew Mack: You can. You've been very economical in your comments so far. So it is now 8:35. Let's -- I'd like to get us 15 minutes to talk about San Juan because it's going to be a little bit complicated and I'll need your guys help. But by all means, please talk and add in your thoughts.

Omar Ansari: Okay. Thank you. Also not very supportive of the budget cuts related to the fellowship program but I think that's helping many newcomers to understand how ICANN works. And that's like opening an opportunity for them to deeply get involved with ICANN. I know there has been issues in the past in terms of not being able to bring everybody who participated at the fellowship

program on board in different constituencies. But there are great examples like Lawrence (unintelligible) of the people who actually participated. Not only participated but they are taking a leadership role in ICANN constituencies.

So I support that statement Lawrence made and we need to discuss that further to see if there are possibilities to have the budget or to bring it to the minimum or maximum possible number of people to participate. Coming to my participation at the World Congress on IT, just for a little bit of background, you all know since you were in picture before I started this travel. World Congress on IT is the world IT and services alliances annual flagship event. This year, it was planned for Hyderabad in India where about 2,500 people from 25 countries participated.

It had an exhibition in many different sessions about various technology policy and other issues. What WCIT the (unintelligible) support meeting also happened that was on day zero, where I'm a member and I have a speaker slot to discuss about the BC and the reasons why we should join. Was a member in the past but then they withdrew and also for its members to join the BC.

It was welcomed by many of the participants but there were some issues which I'd like to discuss later. Other meetings I had included NASCOM of India, which is the National Association of Software and Services Companies, a very influential organization in India who hosted the WCIT 2018 social, which is Asian Oceanian Computing in the (SEA) Organization. I had a couple of discussions with its chairman and why to join the BC or get involved. And they were happy about it but they said they would go back, discuss, and come back to us.

Another association was which is Japan Information Technology Services Industry. These are the ones I had like a one-on-one discussion with but more in a group I had that talk so everybody understood. Before I traveled to Hyderabad, I worked on a facts sheet that was Asia focused. I did some analysis statistics on the membership and I found out that there's only 9% of the membership that are coming from Asian and the pacific. We have 54% from North America, which is mainly the U.S. We have one Canadian member and they're like 17% Africa where Nigeria is the biggest contributor in terms of membership. Europe is 11%.

So this statistic was important because we wanted to know who's underrepresented and why the region is underrepresented, what the concerns are and why are they not taking into us if it's lack of awareness or what are the causes. So that was part of the flyer or fact sheet we can call it. There are quite a few sections, which would really provide the reasons for the players in this region to join the BC.

And the BC's policy influence that was also included in the flyers so they understand what we do and what sort of an influence BC has in the overall ICANN ecosystem. With the associations I met with, I also had quite a number of meetings with the companies who were exhibiting and participating at the WCIT.

The second opportunity after the WCIT was the India Telecom meeting in Delhi, which was not part of the plan but when I went to Hyderabad and received this invitation, it was exactly after the WCIT starting on the 22nd. I participated there so a number of Indian companies were there and also delegates from other countries were also. I took the flyers and had discussions with the participants at the Telecom India. This event was organized by telecom equipment and services export promotion council of India. Not as big

as the WCIT but there were around 200 participants which were key players in the Indian industry also other regions.

The major issues I found out included lack of awareness about ICANN, ICANN BC and why it's important for the players to participate. Lack of understanding about how they can participate and get involved in the ICANN. They did not know whom to contact, whether BC was something BC existed how they can reach out and get involved.

And some of them had concerns about the (unintelligible) structure. They were saying they won't be able to afford paying the full and then I told them about the discounts that we might have but that's subject to approval and we need to discuss that. With WCIT there were some specific issues Jimson (unintelligible) was not happy about the treatment he received in the past. I didn't have a chance to discuss the details, but it seems like there's sort of a misunderstanding. We had the BC and there was the ICC basis.

So it seems he is confusing ICC basis with the BC because I'm not aware of any wrong treatment of any members within the BC. But I said we will discuss that further and see how we can resolve that. Jim, for the same reason, was not quite positive...

Andrew Mack: Quick question for you, Omar, before you go on. I'm not sure I'm understanding the issue. There was some question as to whether or not people in the BC were -- team members were not well treated? That doesn't sound like the BC to me.

Omar Ansari: Jimson is the Secretary General of WITSA and he said in the past he wasn't treated well at the BC. But I think Jimson is confusing BC with the ICC Basis. ICC has a department that's working on the IG issues and they're

taking active role in the IGF in ICANN. He said I was sitting at a conference at a meeting and somebody said that we're the only organization who provides kind of a gateway for the businesses to come to the BC. I said we never had that as far as I know in the past anybody who would claim that. But anyways, I'll check with my colleagues who have been there in the past. Marilyn might know the details to see what went wrong.

But I spoke with Jimson and also Anders and Anders were quite supportive. Anders is the VP who is coming to our next meeting at ICANN as part of the CROP. He was invited by BC. Jimson talked about that. So I believe Anders participation is a good opportunity for us to deeply engage with the WITSA again and have a detailed conversation about how we can collaborate.

Jimson was sort of saying that we cannot be members or somebody who would pay our members but we would love to collaborate and he also requested an introduction with the Chair of BC, which I said is not an issue and I can make that happen. But also if they're not members they won't be able to participate the way they would want it and we want it. So we need to find out more about these and then find a solution.

So for next steps, in total I...

Jimson Olufuye: Omar?

Omar Ansari: Yes.

Jimson Olufuye: Yes, you're right. Jimson is mixing BC with ICC. So there is nothing like him not being treated well in BC. There is nothing like that but I'm aware that something's happened with some members ICC Basis because I'm also a member of ICC Basis. So I know what he's talking about. But that is in ICC

Basis, not in BC. And Gene was never the representative of WITSA in the BC. The representative of WITSA in BC used to be (unintelligible) so I think that's to clear the issue on that.

Omar Ansari: That was my understanding as well later on when I thought because I spoke with Anders as well. Anders is quite happy about the opportunity to join BC. And Anders didn't know about that and he got into an argument with Jimson as well saying that we should join BC. So we have support and we have somebody who's a little bit negative about joining BC. But we need to speak more with the team to make that happen, right.

Andrew Mack: Omar and Jimson, Anders is going to be in Puerto Rico. It is unclear whether there will be a lot of a few people at this meeting. So if it is in fact a smaller meeting, let's try to see if we can't get as much time with him as we can to answer any questions, to clarify any unclarities and let's get them back in. They would seem to be an obvious group for us, yes.

Omar Ansari: Yes, I totally support that and it's important for us to have WITSA because it's representing about 90% of the global IT industry and they're a big player. If we have WITSA than we have access to all its membership in 80, 90 countries.

Andrew Mack: Okay, guys, I'm going to ask that we -- we're a little bit running out of time and I want to make sure that we discuss Puerto Rico. I was hoping that Marilyn would be on but so it goes. Can we talk briefly about our plans? And do you know who are on our -- as you know, who was on our last BC call, our initial plans for Puerto Rico are a little bit shot because we had been told that they thought they could do a big event with us and the power is out and there are problems getting their membership to where they need to go and the actual

building for the chamber that we were going to use, which is only two blocks from our venue has a big huge crack in it. And so is not fit for human use.

And so it has been strongly suggested to us that we go ahead but that we go ahead mostly in contact with the leadership of the different groups, which will be a little bit easier for us to get to. And so what I'd like is to get any feedback from the outreach committee, any support that you can offer would be great. I will be reaching out to the organizers who are on the board of the chamber to make those meetings happen as well as to Chris Mondini, who has committed to helping us get as many meetings as we possibly can with as many members of the chamber, plus as many members of the local community that will be attending. And he'll get us the list of those people.

Are there any other suggestions that you all have? We're going to try to meet right after the opening ceremony on Monday with as many members of the chamber leadership as we can. And I would love to have members of our outreach committee there. Any other thoughts that you have? Any other ideas? We're going to have to be kind of flexible about this, but I think it's important that we show up there and that we not -- I think now is the time when Puerto Rico could really use our support and I think we will build a lot of goodwill if we make our best efforts.

Thoughts from the group? Jimson?

Jimson Olufuye: Yes, it's okay.

Andrew Mack: Any other ideas that you think that we should be trying to do? I assume that everyone will make themselves available for as many of these things that you can. When are people arriving? Jimson, when do you arrive in San Juan?

Jimson Olufuye: Well, I arrive on the 9th. But I think the (unintelligible) committee need to be talking about FY 2019 (unintelligible) or with regard to using BC funds. So there should be focus on that as well because the countdown is moving rapidly to June (unintelligible) next (unintelligible) putting some things together for members.

Andrew Mack: Okay, so would you be available -- okay, you arrive on the 9th. I'm going to be arriving on the 10th. What I'm going to try to do is to see if we can't meet with some of the senior people from the chamber even that Saturday or Sunday. Okay, so if everyone from outreach could send through Chantelle, and Chantelle if you could share with me where we're all going to be, I will do my best to set something up and make sure that as many people who are available can come and join those meetings. Make sense?

Also, Jimson, to your point, I think it would be worthwhile for us to try to find a way to try to have an outreach committee meeting in person there to talk a little bit about the next phase. I don't think that's -- so just a brainstorming session. Any objection to that idea?

I'm not hearing anyone. Chantelle, am I still on?

Chantelle Doerksen: Hi, Andrew. Yes, you are.

Andrew Mack: Great. Okay, great. Okay, so it sounds like we -- I'm sorry -- (Tola) has just joined. So will Tola be attending the San Juan meeting as well? I'm not hearing anyone back from my side. Okay. Great. Okay. So then here's what I will do with the outreach committee. I'm going to be reaching out to the chamber leadership through Pablo Rodriguez as well as through Chris Mondini to try to set up as many meetings as we possibly can. And we will just do this in bits and pieces because that's where they are right now.

Chantelle, you said to me that we have our newsletter that's going to be available both in English and Spanish, is that correct? And if so that goes to Jimson's hotel. And then Jimson, you and I can link up around that to try to get that information out to people.

I guess what we'll do is we'll create a small list of people who are there and make sure that everybody that is connected to outreach knows where we are with our different activities as we happen on them and we'll do our best to get as many of you to as many meetings as we possibly can.

Like I said, I'm sorry that we weren't able to do it the way that it was initially planned. They basically just said they couldn't do it. Their infrastructure is too broken up and we only heard literally this last a week ago Monday. Okay. Any other comments, or suggestions, or questions? I'm not hearing anything. Thank you to everyone who has made the effort to get on the call and to all the people who gave their reports. They were excellent reports. Jimson, to your point about getting going on the planning, I think that that's a great idea and let us carve out a little bit of time to begin some brainstorming on that in person. I think that's helpful to move us forward fast.

Last call for any other business. If you're not able to get on, type in the chat. Okay, then not hearing any more comments I'm going to say thank you to everyone and Chantelle, I think we're done.

Chantelle Doerksen: Okay, thank you, Andrew. Operator, you can stop the recording. Please remember to disconnect all remaining lines and enjoy the rest of your day.

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