



Advisory Board Meeting/ *Réunion du comité consultatif* Agenda / *Ordre du jour*

May 6th, 2010/ 6 mai 2010

Grand-Pré national historic site of Canada /
Lieu historique national du Canada de Grand-Pré

1 pm – 3 pm / 13 h à 15 h

Chair/ *Président de session*: Gérald C. Boudreau

1. Welcome / *Mots de bienvenue*
2. Approve agenda / *Approbation de l'ordre du jour*
3. Approve minutes from previous meetings / *Approbation des notes de la réunion précédente*
4. Change in nomination team membership / *Changement dans l'équipe*
5. For discussion and approval / *Pour discussion et approbation*:
 - a. Update on community discussion to acquire land on Old Post Road – request for support for this project from Nomination Grand Pré / *Mise à jour sur les discussions pour acquérir le terrain sur Old Post Road – demande d'appui au projet de Nomination Grand Pré*
6. For information / *Pour information*:
 - a. Financial and administrative report / *rapport financier et administratif*
 - b. Community engagement and planning report / *rapport sur la participation communautaire et la planification*
 - c. Project manager's and progress reports / *rapports d'étape et du directeur de projet*
 - Report on international expert visit and implications / *Rapport sur la visite des experts internationaux et implications pour le projet*
 - Report on last management plan working group meeting (oral report) / *Rapport sur la dernière réunion du groupe de travail sur le plan de gestion (de vive voix)*
 - Progress report / *Rapport d'étape*
7. Correspondance
 - a. Letter from the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie / *Lettre de l'Organisation internationale de la Francophonie*
 - b. Letter from the President of Carleton University / *Lettre de la présidente de l'Université Carleton*
 - c. Letter from the Société Saint Thomas d'Aquin / *Lettre de la Société Saint Thomas d'Aquin*

- d. Letter from the Conseil Jeunesse Provincial de la Nouvelle-Écosse / *Lettre du Conseil jeunesse provincial de la Nouvelle-Écosse*
 - e. Lettre from the Fédération des Jeunes Francophones du Nouveau-Brunswick / *Lettre de la Fédération des jeunes francophones du Nouveau-Brunswick*
 - f. Letter from Jeunesse Acadienne / *Lettre de Jeunesse acadienne*
 - g. Letter from the Coalition des Organisations Acadiennes du Québec / *Lettre de la Coalition des organisations acadiennes du Québec*
 - h. Letter to the Agricultural Land Review Committee from co-chairs / *Lettre des coprésidents au comité d'évaluation des terres agricoles de la Nouvelle-Écosse*
8. Other business / *Autres affaires*
9. Open floor (time limited by chair)/ *Plénière (temps limité par le président de session)*
10. Next meeting / *Prochaine réunion*
11. Adjournment / *Levée de séance*



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March 4th, 2010/ 4 mars 2010

Grand-Pré national historic site of Canada / *Lieu historique national du Canada de Grand-Pré*

1 pm - 3 pm / 13 h à 15 h

Chair/ *Président de session*: Peter Herbin

Voting Members Present

Peter Herbin (Co-chair)	Community Member and Co-chair
Gerald Boudreau (Co-chair)	Société nationale de l'Acadie (SNA)
Jim Lacey	Kings Regional Development Agency
Beth Keech	Kings Hants Heritage Connection
Hanspeter Stutz	Community Member at large
Robert Palmeter	Grand Pre Marsh Body
Liz Morine	Destination Southwest Nova Scotia
Barbara Kaiser	Community Member at large

Ex-Officio Members Present

Louise Watson- Alternate	Nova Scotia Economic and Rural Development
Paul Richards	Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)
Mary-Jo MacKay- Alternate	NS Department of Tourism, Culture and Heritage
Christophe Rivet	Parks Canada

Resource Members Present

Chrystal Fuller	Municipality of Kings County- Planner
Marianne Gates	Kings Regional Development Agency

Voting Members Absent

Stan Surette	Société promotion Grand-Pré (SPGP)
Greg Young	Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce
Mike Ennis	Municipality of Kings County
Chief Shirley Clarke	Glooscap First Nation

Ex-Officio Members Absent

Neal Conrad	Nova Scotia Economic and Rural Development
Claude DeGrace	Parks Canada
Bill Greenlaw	NS Department of Tourism, Culture and Heritage
Victor Tetrault	Société promotion Grand-Pré (SPGP)
Vaughne Madden	NS Office of Acadian Affairs(OAA)

1. Welcome / *Mots de bienvenue*
The meeting was called to order at 1:10
2. Approve agenda / *Approbation de l'ordre du jour*
The agenda was approved as circulated by consensus.
3. Approve minutes from previous meetings / *Approbation des notes de la réunion précédente*
The minutes were approved by consensus.
4. For discussion and approval / *Pour discussion et approbation:*
 - a. Advisory Board meeting schedule / *Dates de réunion du comité consultatif (for approval/ pour approbation)* The dates circulated were approved by consensus. The Advisory Board will meet:
 - May 6th (first Thursday): review of progress, decision-point based on progress on consultation and other significant issues that may arise.
 - July 8th (second Thursday): draft nomination proposal for approval to forward to the Canadian delegation for review.
 - September 9th (second Thursday): draft nomination proposal incorporating Canadian delegation comments for approval to forward again to Canadian delegation to then forward to UNESCO for voluntary review. (TO BE CONFIRMED AS PROJECT PROGRESSES)
 - November 4th (third Thursday): review of UNESCO comments, and approval of final steps to complete the nomination proposal. (TO BE CONFIRMED AS PROJECT PROGRESSES)
 - January 13th 2011 (second Thursday): approval of the nomination proposal, signing ceremony.
 - b. Tourism study / *Étude sur le tourisme (for reception / pour réception)*
 - The tourism study was accepted by the board by consensus.
 - It was moved and seconded that the Advisory Board authorize the Starring Committee to move forward with the legacy project as recommended on the tourism report with the amount, as budgeted, of \$20,000.*The motion was carried by consensus.
5. For information / *Pour information :*
 - a. Financial and administrative report / *rapport financier et administrative*
The report was reviewed and accepted.
 - b. Community engagement and planning report / *rapport sur la participation communautaire et la planification*
The report was reviewed and accepted. It was noted that the draft plan is on the Municipality of the County of Kings website.

c. Project manager's and progress reports / *rapports d'étape et du directeur de projet*

The report was reviewed and accepted.

6. Correspondence

a. Letter of support / Lettre d'appui

Letter of support from the Fédération acadienne de la Nouvelle-Écosse was read by Gerald.

7. Other business / *Autres affaires*

Beth presented a copy of the Planter book Series to the project.

8. Open floor (time limited by chair)/ *Plénière (temps limité par le président de session)*

9. Next meeting / *Prochaine reunion*

May 6, July 8

10. Adjournment / *Levée de séance*

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30



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28 April 2010

File F-3-157

Christophe Rivet
Project Manager
World Heritage Nomination Proposal for Grand Pré

Dear Mr. Rivet:

RE: Update on the Grand Pré and Area Community Plan

The Grand Pré and Area Community Plan is a Municipal planning document intended to promote a common vision for the four communities of Grand Pré, Hortonville, North Grand Pré, and Lower Wolfville. As you are aware, the draft Grand Pré and Area Community Plan was taken out for public consultation in March. We held an open house on 11 March and then a more formal presentation with a question and answer period (public meeting) on 16 March. Both sessions were well attended.

Planning staff are currently making changes to the draft Grand Pré and Area Community Plan as a result of the input gained from the public consultations. Our mapping is being updated and we are formulating recommendations for the Grand Pré and Area Community Plan Liaison Committee based on public input and additional research. The next meeting of the Grand Pré and Area Community Plan Liaison Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, 19 May 2010 at the National Historic site in Grand Pré.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should there be any questions regarding the particulars or progress of the Grand Pré and Area Community Plan.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Sutherland
Planner
Department of Community Development Services
MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS



TO: Nomination Grand Pré Advisory Board

From: Christophe Rivet, Project Manager

Date: May 6th, 2010

RE: Report on International Expert Workshop

BACKGROUND

International experts were invited to a workshop organised between the 14th and the 16th of April 2010. They were also invited to present at the symposium on agricultural heritage held on April 17th at Acadia University in Wolfville.

The purpose of the workshop was to review the information available that had been prepared up to this point for the nomination proposal and visit the site. This included:

- Draft outstanding universal value report (January 2009);
- Draft 2 Comparative analysis (March 2009)
- Draft 2 Management Plan (April 2009);
- Draft 2 Strategy for the management and conservation of archaeological heritage in Grand Pré;
- Tourism study;
- Landscape analysis (January 2010);
- Draft 1 Risk Preparedness;
- Key maps;

The outcome was a discussion about the value and the management and recommendations on improving them.

EXPERTS

The members of the workshop included:

- Susan Bugghey, consultant, cultural landscapes – World Heritage advisor (Canada);
- Christina Cameron, Professor, University of Montreal – World Heritage advisor (Canada);
- Peter J. Fowler, Professor emeritus, Newcastle University – World Heritage advisor (United Kingdom);
- Alexandra Kruse, consultant, Network coordinator, Eucaland – World Heritage advisor (Germany);
- John Pinkerton, Manager, International Programs, Parks Canada (Canada)
- Edwin Raap, Project Manager, Cultural history (Netherlands);
- Herb Stovel, Professor, Carleton University – World Heritage advisor (Canada);

Were also invited a number of local residents and stakeholders.

PRELIMINARY OUTCOME AND COMMENTS (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER)

- Very strong positive comments on quality of information gathered and analysis;
- General direction of outstanding universal value is solid but requires additional work of the argument to clearly articulate the site's universal value;
- Comparative analysis is challenging and needs to focus on clearly comparing the criteria and articulating the connection between the different dimensions of the site (agricultural and memorial);
- Solid candidate for nomination;
- There has been much discussion about the boundaries, but the conclusion is that it is satisfactory;
- The argument for the buffer is compelling;
- The management plan needs to clearly reflect how the outstanding universal value and its attributes are managed, as well as articulate the mitigation measures for the pressures that were identified;
- Quality of the maps is high;
- Strong positive reviews of community engagement and awareness;
- Imperative to have a clear and solid governance structure with an integrated approach to protecting and promoting the site;

FOLLOW UP

The final comments are still being compiled by each expert. However, the priority for the project manager is to draft a revised statement of outstanding universal value and revised comparative analysis to have a convincing argument by the time a draft nomination proposal is ready in June. Drafts will be prepared and circulated to experts in order to have a strong justification for the Advisory Board to approve in July.

<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>CASH BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL CASH</u>
ACOA	273,519.50	107,908.81
Province of Nova Scotia	273,519.50	121,135.70
County of Kings	100,000.00	100,000.00
Kings RDA	6,917.00	6,917.00
Parks Canada	0.00	0.00
World Acadian Congress	0.00	658.00
Private Donation	10,000.00	5,000.00
Societe Promotion Grand Pre	4,000.00	4,000.00
Acadian Organizations Donations	8,000.00	8,000.00
Moncton & Mount Allison Universities	0.00	0.00
	675,956.00	353,619.51
		<u>ACTUAL CASH</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>		<u>EXPENSE</u>
Communications & Public Relations		
Communications & PR Specialist	0.00	0.00
Communications Strategy	27,371.00	28,871.00
Website	0.00	0.00
Web Administration	1,065.00	504.74
Communication-Related Materials	12,150.00	11,678.20
Translation	15,975.00	297.94
International Brochure	2,663.00	0.00
Sub-Total	59,224.00	41,351.88
Research & Expertise		
Heritage Planner	106,000.00	97,861.91
Archaeologists	35,145.00	25,507.87
Cartography	5,325.00	0.00
GIS	0.00	0.00
Historians	0.00	0.00
Archaeological Surveys	0.00	0.00
Archival Research	0.00	0.00
Conservations Services	0.00	0.00
Sub-Committee Meetings	26,300.00	15,831.19
Air Photos	4,260.00	202.24
LIDAR	0.00	0.00
Comparative Study	23,962.50	20,562.00
Background Research for Management Plan	15,325.00	4,887.34
Sub-Total	216,317.50	164,852.55
Consultation & Stakeholder Relations		
Stakeholder Relations	0.00	0.00
Permanent Display	6,825.00	1,197.90
Meetings	7,260.00	2,854.16
Meeting Documents	4,260.00	797.63
Translations Services	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	18,345.00	4,849.69
Nominations Proposal-Production & Follow-up		
Graphic Design	26,625.00	0.00
Photography & Video	10,325.00	0.00
Editing	21,300.00	0.00
Translation	0.00	0.00
Printing	10,650.00	0.00
Maps Production	5,325.00	0.00
Interpretation & Presentation Supports	63,900.00	25,191.67
Professional Services (including Paris delivery)	29,287.50	0.00
Attendance at World Heritage Convention	15,000.00	12,578.65
Site Visit	10,325.00	8,694.75
Sub-Total	192,737.50	46,465.07
Project Administration		
Project Management	76,950.00	9,587.51
Research Assistant	20,000.00	20,000.00
Data File Management	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
Office Space	0.00	0.00
Board of Directors Operations	22,300.00	15,942.44
Conferences & Events	10,650.00	6,089.67
Sub-Total	129,900.00	51,619.62
Total Expenses Pre-Contingency & Taxes	616,524.00	309,138.81
Contingency	59,432.00	0.00
HST (not applicable on Heritage Planner Expen	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	59,432.00	0.00
Total	675,956.00	309,138.81
Anticipated Surplus/Deficit	0.00	44,480.70



TO: Nomination Grand Pré Advisory Board

From: Christophe Rivet, Project Manager

Date: May 6th, 2010

RE: Project Manager's and Progress Report 14 (for discussion)

GENERAL

Focus is on completing a draft nomination by next Advisory Board meeting scheduled on July 8th. The international expert discussions and ongoing work has brought about extremely valuable direction. Challenges remain but the foundations are strong. A separate short report outlines the outcome of the international expert workshop.

Highlights include:

- Revised statement of outstanding universal value is underway;
- Draft 3 of the comparative analysis is underway ;
- Draft 3 of the management plan is underway;
- Draft nomination proposal is underway;
- Draft management plan for the national historic site has returned from Aboriginal consultation;
- Draft community plan is being prepared for consultation;
- Final draft archaeological heritage strategy is underway;
- Compilation of appendices is underway;
- Final draft coastal erosion study is underway;
- Draft Risk preparedness plan is underway;
- Map production is underway;
- Design of the nomination proposal is underway;

SPECIFIC COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT AND OF THE PROPOSAL

Description of Area:

Nothing to report.

Next steps: Draft section completed.

Justification for Inscription:

A revised statement of Outstanding Universal Value is being prepared based on feedback from international experts and the Canadian delegation. The essence of the proposal is not changing.

It is still about the dykelands, agriculture, the memorials and the landscape. The changes result from a need to make a much stronger and convincing argument based on comparable sites, on the criteria, on UNESCO's expectations, and on the evidence we can present. In light of this, the advisory board can expect a revised statement of outstanding universal value that will update the report it accepted in January 2009.

A third draft of the comparative analysis is being prepared. It is still a challenge, but in light of the progress made with the international experts, the direction taken by the comparative analysis is stronger and will hopefully meet expectations in the very near future.

Next steps: Complete revised statement of outstanding universal value and draft 3 of the comparative analysis.

Evaluation of present state of conservation:

The revised statement of outstanding universal value includes statements on integrity and authenticity. Section being drafted.

Next steps: Compile recent data from Department of Agriculture on dykes and aboiteaux. Draft statement of integrity and authenticity.

Assessment of factors affecting the property:

Coastal erosion report finalized with the assistance of the Ecology Action Centre.

Next steps: Include in the draft nomination proposal.

Monitoring plan:

Condition indicators were developed and included in the management plan. An outline of monitoring process is being prepared.

Next steps: Finalize draft monitoring process.

Develop protective and management system for the proposal:

National historic site process

Aboriginal consultation complete.

Next steps: Final draft being prepared for internal approval and delivery to Minister's office.

Municipal process (see planner's report)

The Community Plan Liaison Committee and municipal planners are preparing for consultation with the community.

Next steps: Review by the Liaison committee.

Management plan

A second meeting took place between archaeologists in early February to review the first draft on the archaeological heritage strategy. A second draft was prepared and has been circulated in jurisdictions for comments and review. Comments are expected back on March 12th to prepare a third draft.

A first draft of a risk preparedness plan is ready for discussion. It outlines the threats from natural disasters, describe the way they may affect the cultural heritage that support the World Heritage proposal, and explain the response strategy from authorities. Discussions with the municipality of the county of Kings' emergency measures officer will need to occur.

The management plan working group is expected to meet again on April 30th.

Governance structure discussions underway. Meeting with provincial ministers was positive. A list of specific asks has been prepared and will be forwarded to the provincial authorities for consideration. A meeting with Parks Canada is scheduled for mid-March.

Next steps: Complete third draft of archaeological heritage strategy. Review draft of risk preparedness with emergency measures specialists. Prepare third draft management plan.

Visitor and Interpretation:

Work completed.

Next steps: Include information in nomination proposal.

Draft proposal:

Sections 1 and 8 completed. Appendices compilation underway. Map production underway. Section 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 underway.

Next steps: Draft sections of the nomination proposal.

Project administration:

See financial report.

Next steps: See financial report

Communication and public engagement:

The symposium held at Acadia University on April 17th was a success. The different speakers were engaging and conveyed useful information about agricultural heritage. They demonstrated the complexity of managing that form of heritage and its importance from a global perspective. There was good attendance. The partnership with Acadia University was very successful and we are thankful for their support in organizing that event.

The community event was also very successful. Dozens of volunteers contributed time and resources to make this a very well attended event with close to 150 people for the entire afternoon. Over a dozen exhibitors contributed everything from food, to pictures, to antique tractors, to agricultural implements, art, and unique artefacts to the day. Two local farmers shared stories of life on the marsh and answered questions from the crowd. We are thankful for the many volunteers and exhibitors who contributed to this very successful International Monuments and Sites Day. Next year's theme will probably be around Heritage of Water. The event was well

covered by the media. Crews from Global TV, Eastlink, Radio Canada, and CTV were on site covering the event.

An update is expected to be provided to the community on the project's progress sometime before end of June.

Next steps: Organise community update meeting.

Engagement of the Acadian community

Members of the Acadian community approached Nomination Grand Pré to try to organize an event to engage youth. Further discussions will take place in the coming months.

Next steps: Continue discussions with community leaders for presentations and activities.

Engagement of the Mi'kmaq

As we are continuing our work on the process, including developing a governance approach, it is essential to actively engage the Mi'kmaq. Chief Clark has continued to indicate support for this initiative on behalf of Glooscap community.

Next steps: Meet with Chief Clark and other Mi'kmaq representatives to discuss future of the site and nomination proposal.

Economic development & interpretation strategy:

Complete. See Tourism Strategy report from consultants.

Next steps: None

Approval process for final document:

The Canadian delegation to the World Heritage Committee reviews and signs the nomination proposal once it is ready to be sent. Initial review of the draft will take place in the months of July –August 2010.

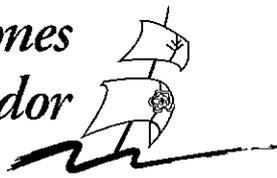
There is still a need to clarify the provincial and municipal process in support of the nomination.

Next steps: Clarify with municipal and provincial authorities approval process.

PROGRESS

Project component	General category	Status	Target completion	Comment	Next steps
Outstanding Universal Value	Statement of OUV	● Active	April REVISED - MAY	Revised based on international review and expert comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete final draft of comparative analysis • Revise
	Comparative analysis	● Active	April REVISED - MAY		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize first draft • Review from experts • Redraft • Workshop review • Submit to AB
	Integrity and Authenticity	● Active	April	Draft statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize landscape analysis • Assess condition of cultural resources • Complete archaeological mapping
Management	National Historic site management plan	● Active	October	Aboriginal consultation completed. On track for completion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present to AB • Finalize for Aboriginal consultation • Carry out Aboriginal consultation • Finalize draft • Internal review • CEO approval • Minister's approval • Tabling in Parliament
	Community plan	● Active	October	Draft ready for review by the Community Liaison Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review by community committee • Second draft • Review • Presentation to community • Review • Finalize • Forward to Planning Committee • Consultation • Forward to Council • Consultation • Approval

	WH management plan	● Active	June	Draft archaeological heritage strategy reviewed and supported in principle by authorities. Draft risk preparedness plan being prepared. Coastal erosion study finalized. Final review by management plan working group.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete the Archaeological Heritage Strategy ● Risk preparedness plan ● Governance structure ● Condition assessment and indicators ● Finalize landscape analysis ● Coastal study ● Dyke maintenance policies
Commitments	Governance structure	● Active	July	Meeting with RDA, Parks Canada, and Municipality outlined the key principles and structure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet with provincial authorities ● Meet with Parks Canada ● Prepare Terms of Reference of governance structure
	Memorandum of understanding	● Active	December	Discussions on MOU has begun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Draft MOU ● Review by AB
	Implementation	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●
Dossier preparation	Appendices	● Active	January 2011	Work underway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Compile legislation ● Complete archaeological reports
	Translation	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●
	Editing	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●
	Photo and mapping	● Active	May	List of photographs has been prepared for the nomination proposal. Key maps are ready. Mapping work has begun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finalize RFP for photography ● Prepare inventory of photos
Legacy project	Analysis	● Completed	February	Consultants completed report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consultants' report received
	Implementation	● Active	October	Discussions underway between Parks Canada and the Kings RDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Outline project ● Set up committee



Le 8 mars 2010

Monsieur Gérald C. Boudreau
Co-président
Nomination GRAND PRÉ
Kings RDA
35, rue Webster
Kentville NE B4N 1H4

Monsieur Boudreau,

Objet : Lettre d'appui de la Société Nationale de l'Acadie au projet de la reconnaissance du paysage culturel de Grand-Pré comme site du patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO.

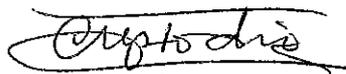
Au nom de la Fédération des francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador, je suis heureux d'apporter un appui inconditionnel au projet de reconnaissance du paysage culturel de Grand-Pré comme site du patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO. Grand-Pré, lieu de pèlerinage des Acadiens et centre mondial de la commémoration de leur Déportation, est le foyer historique le plus important du peuple acadien. Il illustre la période située entre la colonisation acadienne de 1682 et les déportations qui se sont produites à partir de 1755. Il évoque aussi les heures les plus douloureuses et les plus héroïques des Acadiens, et il rappellera aux générations futures l'exemple d'un peuple d'un courage hors du commun.

Ce « grand dérangement » a fortement influencé l'histoire des Acadiens, mais, en retour, il a renforcé sa fierté de peuple et enrichi, de façon légendaire, son patrimoine. Ce lieu commémore également le profond attachement qu'éprouvent les Acadiens de partout dans le monde envers cette région, cœur de leur patrie ancestrale et symbole des liens qui les unissent.

Les Acadiens ont forgé à la sueur de leur front un paysage culturel unique qui a survécu jusqu'à aujourd'hui comme témoignage de leur ingéniosité, de leur détermination et de leur courage. Nous sommes heureux de participer à ce projet qui vient reconnaître l'apport exceptionnel du peuple acadien à l'histoire, au présent et à l'avenir et fiers d'y investir de nombreuses heures en tant que bénévoles au nom de la communauté acadienne du monde entier.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur Boudreau, mes salutations distinguées.

Le président,


Jules Custodio

c.c. Société nationale de l'Acadie

le 15 mars 2010

Monsieur le président,

J'applaudis vivement la proposition d'inscription de Grand-Pré à la liste des sites historiques du monde. La valeur unique de Grand-Pré réside dans sa signification historique, politique, morale, pédagogique, sentimentale, économique et culturelle. Il existe très peu d'endroits qui combinent un apport distinct dans tous ces domaines. Grand-Pré représente tout d'abord l'histoire de la colonisation et de la lutte pour le pouvoir et la richesse. Avec ses digues, le paysage incarne l'industrie des Acadiens qui ont su créer un système très efficace d'agriculture. La contribution pédagogique de l'endroit s'agrandit quand l'on compare les digues de Grand-Pré avec les digues de la Louisiane. On peut penser au livre de Jared Diamond, Collapsc, dans lequel il attribue les succès et les déficits des régions à leur capacité. Les digues nous offrent une leçon vivante, d'autant plus valable, lorsqu'on considère le sort des structures construites par la suite et dans l'autres buts dans le sud des États-Unis.

Parler d'Acadie, c'est parler de Grand-Pré. L'histoire de Longfellow, Évangéline, célèbre cette tragédie humaine et évoque les familles déracinées et envoyées au bout du monde. Ce poème est l'un des plus connus en Amérique du Nord. Le parc de Grand-Pré l'illustre. Il est séant de reconnaître les environs du parc, les lieux où demeuraient les Acadiens que leurs noms soient Évangéline et Gabrielle ou Antonine et Phippe. Ce site comporte les dimensions d'une tragédie humaine.

L'histoire de Grand-Pré offre une leçon morale. La politique entre nations comporte toujours des implications humaines. Il est utile de commémorer cet exemple des suites désastreuses sur le plan humain de décisions politiques prises et effectuées sans égard pour les effets sur les individus pour des générations. Commémorer ce site est offrir une leçon double : d'une part on reconnaît la situation tragique du passé et d'autre part on célèbre le courage et la créativité et le travail assidu des premiers Acadiens et le fait que leur histoire constitue une partie reconnue de l'histoire canadienne. Le Canada pays est non seulement unique à cause de cette histoire mais noble dans sa reconnaissance de la valeur de cette histoire et des leçons qui en ressortent. Si ces leçons pouvaient être partagées par le monde entier, son avenir serait sans doute meilleur. Si l'UNESCO accepte de reconnaître Grand-Pré, elle contribuera non seulement à la préservation de l'histoire mais à l'écriture de nouveaux chapitres d'histoire qui, fort des leçons du passé, seront sans doute plus heureuses. Reconnaître Grand-Pré est donc réaliser de façon visible le rôle même de l'UNESCO.

Je vous appuie donc votre initiative et vous prie d'accepter, Monsieur Président, l'expression de mes sentiments les meilleurs.

Roseann O'Reilly Runte



Présidente et Vice-Chancellor

Le 25 novembre 2009

Madame Françoise Enguehard
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Objet : Appui à la candidature du paysage rural et spirituel de Grand-Pré au patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO.

Madame la présidente,

Il nous fait plaisir de donner l'appui de la Communauté acadienne et francophone de l'Île-du-Prince-Édouard au projet en rubrique.

Grand-Pré représente pour l'Acadie du Monde le symbole du courage, de la persévérance et du génie du bâtisseur de notre Peuple et il nous incombe à tous de reconnaître et de promouvoir ces valeurs historiques et contemporaines.

Au nom de la Société Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin nous vous prions donc de remettre à la Société de Promotion de Grand-Pré UNESCO le chèque ci-inclus au montant de 250 \$ couvrant le montant provincial minimal convenu entre les organismes porte-parole de l'Atlantique.

Veuillez agréer, Madame la présidente, l'expression de notre collaboration entière.

Le président,



Edmond Richard

cc. Monsieur Gérald C. Boudreau, co-président
Société de Promotion Grand-Pré



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Date March 11/10
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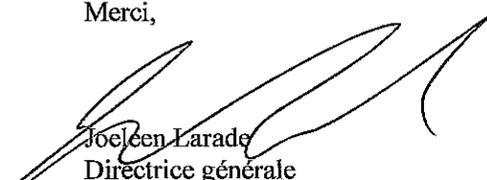
Monsieur Boudreau,

Par la présente, le Conseil jeunesse provincial de la Nouvelle-Écosse (CJP) tient à confirmer son appui au projet de reconnaissance du paysage culturel de Grand-Pré comme site du Patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO.

Cette reconnaissance va contribuer au développement de l'apprentissage et à l'identité culturel de notre jeunesse auprès de leur histoire.

N'hésitez pas à nous rejoindre au bureau provincial pour toutes autres informations complémentaires.

Merci,



Joëleen Larade
Directrice générale
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Le 24 novembre 2009

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OBJET : Lettre d'appui

Monsieur Boudreau,

Par la présente nous, la Fédération des Jeunes Francophones du Nouveau-Brunswick Inc.(FJFNB), désirons appuyer la candidature de Grand-Pré aux sites du patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO avec la reconnaissance de la Société Nationale de l'Acadie.

La décision de reconnaître Grand-Pré par l'UNESCO est l'aboutissement d'un rêve que celui de valoriser et de protéger ce site rempli d'histoire acadienne. Le peuple acadien a toujours su affirmer son histoire à travers les années et d'être fier de son héritage. L'Acadie écrira une autre page d'histoire avec cette reconnaissance d'un peuple acadien, qui malgré les torts commis à toujours su se relever et d'affronter l'avenir la tête haute.

Nous désirons vous faire part de notre reconnaissance envers la SNA car elle représente un atout vital au développement de la société acadienne. La SNA, dans son rôle de promotion de l'Acadie sur la scène interprovinciale, nationale et internationale, contribue largement au développement, voire à l'épanouissement de la communauté acadienne.

C'est pourquoi nous offrons notre appui à la candidature de Grand-Pré à l'UNESCO en partenariat avec la SNA.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur Boudreau, nos salutations les plus distinguées.

Rémi Goupil
Président
FJFNB

Dieppe, le 2 avril 2008

Objet : Lettre d'appui de Jeunesse Acadienne au projet de la reconnaissance du paysage culturel de Grand-Pré comme site du patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO.

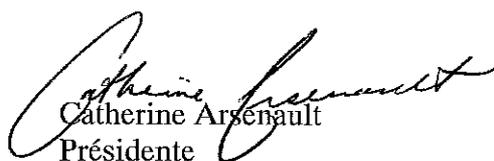
À qui de droit,

Au nom de Jeunesse Acadienne, je suis heureuse d'apporter un appui inconditionnel au projet de reconnaissance du paysage culturel de Grand-Pré comme site du patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO. Grand-Pré, lieu de pèlerinage des Acadiens et centre mondial de la commémoration de leur Déportation, est le foyer historique le plus important du peuple acadien. Il illustre la période située entre la colonisation acadienne de 1682 et les déportations qui se sont produites à partir de 1755. Il évoque aussi les heures les plus douloureuses et les plus héroïques des Acadiens, et il rappellera aux générations futures l'exemple d'un peuple d'un courage hors du commun.

Ce « grand dérangement » a fortement influencé l'histoire des Acadiens, mais, en retour, il a renforcé sa fierté de peuple et enrichi, de façon légendaire, son patrimoine. Ce lieu commémore également le profond attachement qu'éprouvent les Acadiens de partout dans le monde envers cette région, cœur de leur patrie ancestrale et symbole des liens qui les unissent.

Les Acadiens ont forgé à la sueur de leur front un paysage culturel unique qui a survécu jusqu'à aujourd'hui comme témoignage de leur ingéniosité, de leur détermination et de leur courage. Nous sommes heureux de participer à ce projet qui vient reconnaître l'apport exceptionnel du peuple acadien à l'histoire, au présent et à l'avenir et fiers d'y investir de nombreuses heures en tant que bénévoles au nom de la communauté acadienne du monde entier.

Veillez agréer l'expression de mes sentiments les meilleurs.


Catherine Arsenault
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Le 24 novembre 2009

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OBJET : Lettre d'appui

Monsieur Doucet,

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Veillez agréer, Monsieur Doucet, nos salutations les plus distinguées.

Rémi Goupil
Président
FJFNB



Québec, le 15 avril 2010

Monsieur Gérald C. Boudreau
Vice-président
Société Promotion Grand-Pré

Bonjour Monsieur Boudreau,

Au nom des membres du conseil d'administration de la Coalition des organisations acadiennes du Québec (COAQ), je vous transmets l'assurance de notre appui à votre comité organisateur pour les démarches entreprises afin que Grand-Pré soit désigné site du patrimoine mondial de l'Unesco.

La Coalition fonctionne entièrement sur le principe du bénévolat et ne peut, pour l'instant, accorder d'appui financier concret au projet. Par contre, nous avons invité tous les membres de la Coalition à appuyer ce projet de la meilleure façon possible et nous avons placé une annonce d'appui au projet sur notre site internet.

Nous recevons de temps à autres des communiqués d'informations qui émanent de votre comité et nous les acheminons à travers nos réseaux de communication. Nous faisons de notre mieux pour susciter l'intérêt et l'adhésion envers ce projet important pour le peuple acadien.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur Boudreau, l'expression de mes sentiments les meilleurs.

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To: Advisory Board

From: Steering Committee

Date: May 6, 2010

RE: Land Acquisition

Background

The following email from Naomi Blanchard in April 2010:

Peter and Gerald:

As Bob Martel and I have discussed with you and as was presented to Nomination Grand Pre some time ago, there is much interest in the Grand Pre community in acquiring the above property, currently for sale, as a View plane location. To that end, we are now seeking to formalize this interest and ensure that is a unanimously-held desire in the community.

We are asking all the organizations in the community to consider the desirability of this initiative and to pass a resolution to endorse an ad hoc formal community committee with the sole purpose of realizing the acquisition and implementation of a Viewplane site.

We understand there is a Nomination Grand Pre meeting in early May. We would like Nomination Grand Pre to endorse formally this initiative. The scope of the initiative can be presented at the meeting (if you should deem this necessary - 10 minutes should be enough time.)

If the concept is unanimously supported by all GP organizations, then following a community discussion and consensus - targeted for May 26th - a volunteer for the committee - a representative from each community group - would be requested.

If there is not consensus from the entire community, the initiative will NOT be further pursued.

I look forward to your confirmation that this matter can be considered at your May meeting.

Thanks Naomi
Naomi Blanchard
Grand Pre, Nova Scotia

Consideration of the issue:

The Steering Committee reviewed this request. The following past notes about this issue were considered.

1. Notes from Sept 2008:

Motion: The Steering Committee will discuss the property acquisition value. Any useful information regarding this should be sent to Erin, Naomi's presentation will be sent to Louise and Claude will send previous site selection process to Erin.

2. Notes from Feb 2009 meeting:

Recommendation: Proposed Acquisition of Trenholm Property:

The steering committee struggled with how this recommendation would fit in with the project. They recommended a second parallel group to work as a funding initiative. There should also be more studies done on this issue which maybe could be part of next summer's interpretation study.

The Steering Committee reviewed the March tourism report. This report suggests that the newly acquired Parks Canada land up to Old Post Road will provide a great area for a viewing deck. The Advisory Board authorized the Steering Committee to move forward with this Legacy Project at the March 2010 meeting. This process has begun.

The Steering Committee also notes that with less than nine months to go to dossier submission, the focus of the Steering Committee must continue to be the necessary elements for the dossier. In particular, the plan for the management of the site and MOU's with the various partners must be secured. Staff time needs to be focused on the essentials to maintain the focus on accomplishing the submission. Adding another issue has the potential to complicate the negotiations with the key management partners.

The four priorities for the project were firmly established at the January 2010 Advisory Board meeting as follows:

- 1. Maintain current levels of support;*
- 2. Prepare the nomination proposal;*
- 3. Secure commitments; and*
- 4. Deliver on the legacy project.*

- **Recommendation**

The Steering Committee suggests that the land acquired by Parks Canada in 2009 provides the opportunity for viewing the entire area proposed for World Heritage designation. This opportunity was identified as a priority by Hockin Cronin consultants to provide visitors with a location to view and understand the Outstanding Universal Value. In light of this requirement being fulfilled, the decision from the Advisory Board in January 2010 was for Nomination Grand Pré to focus on four priorities to benefit the entire community and maintain the existing positive relationship with the funding partners.

Suggested recommendation: The Steering Committee recommends that a letter be sent on behalf of the Advisory Board to Ms. Blanchard wishing her success in her efforts but indicating that the project is unable to participate.