

Peterborough Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting Record

Meeting Date: April 8, 2025

BWXT NEC: Andy Collyer, Director, Fuel Operations
Monifa Miller, Senior Director, Corporate Affairs & Enterprise Initiatives
Kathleen Augustin, Manager, CO Communications & Community Relations
Vera Carter, Manager, EHS & Licensing
Krissy Edwards, Communications Specialist

CLC Members: Liz Stone, Fereydoon Diba (representative from Fleming College), Lorne Schantz, Jules Besseling, Lora Vassiliadis, Jeff Gibson, Kevin Whitmore (representative from Trent University), Brad Conlin (representative from Prince of Wales Public School), Christopher Adlam, Bruce Roxburgh

Absent: Rebecca Schillemat (representative from Peterborough & The Kawarthas Home Builders Association), Julie Bromley (representative from Peterborough Public Health)

Guests: None

Action Items	Status
Potential guest speakers – NWMO, uranium overview (non-industry representative)	Open
BWXT to add more information on its website about buildings occupied on Monaghan Road – aerial map	Ongoing
BWXT to invite Creative Fire to a meeting to share information about the Indigenous Relations Roadmap process → planning for September meeting	Open

New Action Items from April 8, 2025	Status
BWXT to review procuring new drill banners using simplified text and brighter colours	Open
BWXT to consider displaying additional drill banners along the fence – including one on Albert Street	Open
BWXT to send updated nec.bwxt.com link to CLC Members once launched	Closed
BWXT to consider including CLC members at the annual community event to share their perspectives with other community members	Open

Discussion Notes:

Augustin welcomed Community Liaison Committee (CLC) members, beginning with a Land Acknowledgment, expressing gratitude to First Nations, Métis, and Inuit for their stewardship of the land on which BWXT operates. Augustin introduced a safety moment, reviewed the meeting agenda, and reviewed open and ongoing action items.

Augustin then provided community engagement updates, noting that the company is continuing to find ways to support the community. She encouraged CLC members to share event and volunteer ideas for consideration. August highlighted the following items:

- BWXT provided funding to support restocking science, technology, engineering, art, math (STEAM) books and resources at Prince of Wales Public School.
- BWXT provided funding for the breakfast program at Otonabee Valley Public School.
- BWXT provided funding for the Rotary Club of Peterborough's Rotary Environmental Innovator's Fund.
- BWXT held an employee-led fundraiser in support of the YES Shelter for Youth & Families
- BWXT once again sponsored the Peterborough Regional Science Fair and employees volunteered to judge student projects.
- BWXT is organizing a pop-up information booth at Lansdowne Place Mall on May 8-9 and planning an additional community information event in the fall.
- BWXT hosted Chief Keith Knott and Curve Lake First Nation Consultation Department leads for a meeting and welcomed Prince of Wales Public School Parent Council and parents for a tour. BWXT is also coordinating meetings and tours with Alderville First Nation, MPP Smith, Mayor Leal and Peterborough Council, and a community tour.

CLC Member Conlin shared the positive impact of the funding provided for Prince of Wales Public School and also highlighted the garden boxes BWXT volunteers built and installed last fall. CLC Member Conlin also noted BWXT and Prince of Wales Public School are coordinating a career day event. CLC Members Stone and McKeiver highlighted the importance of community awareness regarding the CLC's initiatives and proposed attending an upcoming community information event. CLC Member Stone noted that BWXT should consider adding more tour dates if the fall one is successful. Augustin reminded CLC members that there is a virtual tour available of the fuel bundle manufacturing too.

Carter provided an overview of BWXT Peterborough's emergency response plan. She shared the following:

- BWXT coordinates drills with Peterborough Fire Service and Peterborough Police Service to ensure a coordinated response. First responders are trained and provided tours.
- Comprehensive employee training for safety response.
- Emergency plan testing (fire drills, evacuation, medical response).

Augustin shared the proactive measures in place to inform the public about the annual drill, including advance notifications to neighbours through mailers, social media advertisements, and newsletters. Augustin noted that the main banner on the nec.bwxt.com website is updated on drill dates and a banner is displayed on the fence near the entrance. Carter shared that we ask the public to keep distance from the entrance during drills to ensure first responders can access our site properly.

CLC Members Stone and Whitmore inquired about the placement of emergency drill banners, suggesting they could be positioned on the fence near the corners of the facility for better visibility. They also noted that the language on the sign could change to “Safety Drill In Progress” and shared that the current signage does not stand out and suggested it be made more visible with brighter colors. McKeiver suggested BWXT could also have an employee hand out flyers in front of the facility.

Information was shared by Augustin and Carter regarding the upcoming mid-term licensing review with the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC). Carter noted that the review will likely be held in the community and encouraged CLC participation, adding that a date has not yet been selected.

In response to CLC interest expressed during the orientation session, Augustin then shared a brief video of how a CANDU nuclear power reactor works.

Next, Augustin shared that the update to the current nec.bwxt.com community website was launched a few days prior and noted that BWXT would appreciate feedback from CLC Members. Stone and Whitmore suggested including an education tab on the website to highlight the ways the company engages with the community. Augustin shared her screen to quickly showcase the updated website. CLC Member Stone suggested the Indigenous Relations page could be more visible. Augustin thanked members for their initial feedback and mentioned that the fall meeting would include a more fulsome website review.

Augustin then asked CLC members to share feedback and suggestions for discussion topics and community engagement. CLC Member Whitmore suggested pitching research ideas to Trent University students and noted that more community members may join BWXT’s contact list if there is incentive. CLC Members McKeiver, Stone, and Whitmore noted that offering branded items may help to draw community members in when hosting community information sessions. CLC Member Stone added that BWXT should consider attending Pow Wow events to share more information and added the significance of using plain language to ensure the information BWXT shares is accessible to everyone.

The meeting concluded with a review of upcoming meeting dates.