

Terms of Reference



Task Force on Professional Practice Issues in Appraisals and Cruising (PPAC)

1.0 Record Keeping

Coordinator will be responsible to make meeting arrangements, arrange meeting dates, set agendas, record meeting minutes distribute minutes to the task force and larger review committee.

2.0 Objective/Scope

The objective of this task force is to

- a) Identify professional practice issues of concern in the appraisal and cruising fields of practice.
- b) Recommend member advice to resolve appraisal and cruising professional practice issues using the current appraisal system and:
- c) To provide recommendations to advocate for change, if appropriate.

3.0 Time Frame

Meetings as needed during 2007 and 2008 with recommendations to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the ABCFP by November 2008.

4.0 Participation

Members of this group must be members of the Association of BC Forest Professionals in good standing. The task force will consist of representatives of forest industry and government. A broad spectrum of peers working within the appraisal and/or cruising expertise will form a larger distribution list (Review Committee) from which the ideas, tasks, and action items will be circulated to with an expectation of review and comment. A meeting quorum will be 50% of task force members. This task force reports to the ABCFP CEO.

5.0 Decision Making Process (if required)

Participants will aim to develop general principles and or reach decisions on the basis of consensus. Consensus is defined as substantial agreement reached by concerned interests. Consensus attempts to remove all objections and implies that although participants may not agree with all aspects of the agreement, they are willing to accept the total package.

In participating to reach consensus, task force members agree to:

- Participate in good faith, share relevant information freely.
- State concerns openly and directly and as interests rather than positions. (Interests are defined as the needs, wants, fears and concerns that are connected to an issue. A position is defined as a predetermined solution to a problem without considering the interests of others)
- Listen carefully, ask questions and educate themselves regarding the interest of others.