



Decision List Bc Meeting 04/02/2024

Subtitle	Weekly BC Meeting
Date	04/02/2024
Time	9:00 – 12:00
Location	Courtroom
Chair	Governor Johnson
Attendees	Eviton Heyliger, Jonathan Johnson and Bruce Zagers

1.0.0 **Welcome**

2.0.0 **Minutes of last BC Meeting**

Attachment:

BC Minutes 10.2024

BC Meeting Minutes 26.03.2024

Decision:

Approved.

3.0.0 **Discussion papers**

BC proposals to be discussed and decided upon jointly.

3.0.5 **CIO office PES**

The Public Entity of Saba is facing several challenges continuing shaping its service delivery to citizens and businesses. Digitalization, information services/management, cyber/information security, are amongst others, important future-oriented preconditions. Especially, through the impact on the quality, availability and optimization of the underlying internal organization and service delivery processes. The Public Entity is also currently exploring the extent to which basic administrations (GDI) could be further utilized, partly in preparation for the introduction of BSN/DigiD (mid 2025). These challenges are of a highly preconditional and systemic nature. By focusing on the establishment of a Chief Information Office (CIO office), lead by a Chief Information Officer (CIO) – a central function operating alongside IT and overseen by the IS – direction, advice and



support can be provided organization wide framing and operationalizing solutions in the areas needed to grow as a future orientated organization.

Decision:

Approved.

3.0.7 Extension secondment government hunter

In May 2023, a government hunter was appointed at the Public Entity to assist full time with the hunting and goat removal activities as part of the goat control project. The hunter, has been valuable for the project with a continuous removal of roaming goats and especially with his ability to respond quick to incidents. The secondment ends on May 1st, 2024. An extension of this secondment is needed to ensure continuity in the project.

Additionally, the effectiveness of the government hunter, being the only full time hunter on the island, would increase if he has the possibility to hunt in all designated hunting areas. This would be done in close consultation with other designated hunters to ensure alignment of hunting activities.

Decision:

Approved.

3.0.9 BC Proposal Vacancy Policy Advisor Community Development

The Department of Community Development and Culture is in search of a policy advisor for community development policy's such as the Community Development Policy Plan, Youth Policy plan and project management for the Social Support Act as well as other incidental projects that arise within the department.

The Policy Advisor for Community Development would be a full-time position as there is much work to be completed. This position will be responsible for meetings with ministries in developing the community development policy plan as is stated in the most recent Saba Package. All connecting with stakeholders internally and externally, to ensure an integral approach for our policy development.



Decision:

Approved.

3.1.0

Roaming livestock policy

In the first years of the goat control project, most of the attention was placed on removing roaming goats from uninhabited areas, where the majority of the population was found and animals could safely be culled. Although the number of goats in inhabited areas is getting more and more limited as the goat control project progresses, these goats are still a nuisance: they destroy public and private property and limit people's possibilities for gardening and backyard farming.

The removal of goats from inhabited areas is more complicated than the removal of goats from uninhabited areas, for two reasons:

- Goats in inhabited areas are often tame and therefore first need to be captured before culling becomes an option.
- Culling is generally not possible due to safety reasons.

Specific steps for the capture of roaming livestock have been described in the 2004 Island Ordinance on identification and registration of livestock and pets. A policy is needed to ensure the relevant enforcement steps can be executed properly. The purpose of this policy is to provide clarity for livestock owners, people who experience nuisance from roaming livestock, and all parties involved in enforcement. A specific goal with this policy is to have in place an efficient enforcement process with regards to livestock in inhabited areas.

Decision:

Approved.

3.1.3

Absolute Childcare Department Budget 2024

This proposal is essential for providing clear guidance on allocating the free allowances at Absolute Childcare, aiming to improve financial management practices.

Representatiekosten (34150)

\$7,000 is designated for representative costs; this will be utilized for



activities, including staff activities and staff appreciation.

Overige leveringen en diensten (34950)

\$10,000 will be utilized for other supplies and services, such as materials for activities and events for children. By covering associated expenses like decorations and transportation, it enables seamless event execution, enhancing childcare services overall.

Decision:

Approved.

3.1.4 Attending Copi training at Statia

Statia is organizing a Copi training for multi-preparedness for disaster and crisis management. They have invited Copi members from Saba to participate.

Decision:

Approved.

3.1.5 BC Proposal – SSS School Games

The SSS School Games is a series of events, each hosted by one of the participating islands—Saba, St. Maarten, St. Eustatius. The initiative underscores the commitment of these communities to prioritize the holistic development of their youth through sports and social engagement. In addition to the sporting competitions, each event will feature a social component, providing participants with opportunities to interact and forge new friendships across the islands.

St. Eustatius will host volleyball for secondary school girls on April 21st, Saba will host netball for primary school girls on May 12th, and St. Maarten will host 3x3 basketball for primary school boys on May 26th.

Looking ahead for 2025 and beyond, the organizers of the SSS School Games envision further development of the initiative, with plans to incorporate additional sports and extend the events beyond single-day competitions.

Decision:

Approved



3.2.0 Carib vet conference

The first on site Carib VET Conference is to be held in St. Vincent and the Grenadines after the COVID pandemic. The Ministry of LNV will also attend this Conference, as well as representatives from the other Dutch Caribbean islands.

Decision:

Approved.

4.0.0 Formalities

5.0.0 Incoming Pieces / Requests (on paper)

Business License Request (154/2024)

Application submitted for a sole proprietorship business license to offer services in construction, tech maintenance, and consulting as “The Beard Guy”.

Decision:

BC approve request.

6.0.0 Announcements

Announcements:

1. Governor Johnson
2. Commissioner Zagers
3. Commissioner Heyliger
4. Island Secretary Streppel

7.0.0 Signing

8.0.0 Closing