

Application for "At-Large Structure" (ALS) Designation



Applications should be submitted electronically to staff@alac.icann.org. Please address any questions about the applications process to this address.

The form can be downloaded from [URL Here]

Organisation Contact information

1. Organisation's Name:

PACIFIC COMMUNITY NETWORKS ASSOCIATION

2. Organisation's email address: **bev@pcna.ca**

3. Organisation's phone number (include country/city codes):

1 604 483 3110

4. Organisation's address (location and postal address, if different):

**5425 Saanich Avenue
Powell River, British Columbia, Canada**

5. Organisation's website (URL) (if available):

www.pcna.ca

Primary and Secondary Contact for Organisation:

If accredited, the primary contact will be assumed to be that person who will cast any votes required, with the secondary person being the alternate – though your Organisation may at any time change its voting and alternate representatives.

6. Primary contact:

- a. Name: **Bev Collins**
- b. Email address: **bev@pcna.ca**
- c. Telephone: **604 223-0324**

7. Secondary Contact:

- a. Name: **Harry Adam**
- b. Email address: **haadam@shaw.ca**
- c. Telephone: **250-308-8905**

Description

1. Structure and Governance:

- a. Is your Organisation constituted so that individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the Geographic Region in which your Organisation is based control your Organisation?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

- b. Please explain the answer above in sufficient detail so that a person not familiar with your Organisation would be able to understand the reasons for your answer, and attach or reference the URLs where any statutes or operating principles or other supporting information related to this question can be found:

The PCNA has 560 members and a 5-person board of directors, including an executive consisting of a president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer. Members have an opportunity to determine the strategic direction of the organization at an Annual General Meeting. In addition, member feedback is invited several times throughout each year in the form of online surveys and meetings on specific topics or programs.

- c. Is your organization formally incorporated or organized under a national legal jurisdiction?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

IF YES: Please describe what legal recognition it has and indicate the place of legal incorporation or registration

Registered with Canada Revenue Agency

- d. Describe your Organisation's structure (e.g. governing and decision-making bodies and processes):

Policy governance board of directors consisting of 5 persons, including a president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer. Operations led by an Executive Director.

- e. Does your organization have written bylaws or other constitutional instruments?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

IF YES: Please provide a copy along with your application (in English if available) **See attached**

- f. Explain the eligibility requirements (if any) for your Organisation's constituents/membership (if you provide a written application for admission as a member, you may attach a copy): **No formal requirements, but our members all share an interest in the strategic use of ICT for building community capital**

g. In what language/s does your Organisation conduct its business?

English

2. About Your Members

a. Do you have individual members with the ability to vote in or otherwise control the management of the organization?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

IF NO: Describe what role individuals have in the management and work of the organization.

b. Do you have organisations as all or part of your membership?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

IF YES: Describe whether they are profit-making, non-profit-making, a mixture of both, and/or what proportion of the total membership each type of private sector organization is. Please also describe what the nature of the organizational members is: For example, are they all of a similar type or interested in a similar activity or policy area?

Mixture of non-profit (80%) and for-profit (20%) ventures. For-profit member organizations join the PCNA because they have a social entrepreneurship interest or venture. All members share in using ICT to build community economic, social, and environmental capital, especially as it pertains to community economic development and addressing Digital Divide issues.

c. Do you have governmental bodies, or quasi-governmental bodies, as members of your organisation?

Indicate Yes or No: **No**

IF YES: Please describe their nature and role in the decision-making and work of your organization, and the proportion of the total membership made up of these types of organization.

d. Describe the general membership – are they predominately of one (or more) professional background or interest group? (e.g. journalists, online rights activists, consumer organizations, individual consumers, etc.):

We describe our members as "community champions." Our members come from a variety of professional backgrounds and interest groups, ranging from social service providers (non-profit or charitable organizations) to small and medium-sized businesses with a social entrepreneurship interest or venture. Community champions work to increase awareness, knowledge, and skills of how publicly-accessible ICT resources may be used by all members of a community in order to build economic, social, and environmental capital.

- e. Describe how your Organisation keeps its constituents/membership informed about, and enables them to participate in, decisions regarding issues of interest:

Regular newsletters, online surveys, annual general meetings, and face-to-face events such as the Summit of the Effective Use of ICT held in Vancouver every February.

- f. Approximately how many members, of each type of membership class if you have more than one, do you have?

N/A

3. Provide support for the statement that your Organisation is self-supporting (by answering "yes" you confirm that it will not rely on ICANN for funding):

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

4. What is the primary source, or sources, of funding for your Organisation? (if unfunded/entirely voluntary simply indicate "N/A"):

**Federal government program/service delivery
Contracts with other non-profit organizations for services, analysis, or resource development
Corporate support**

5. Do you receive any funding from government agencies or for-profit entities? If so, please describe below and describe their involvement in the activities of the organization (if they so participate):

Funding provided by federal government for program/service delivery and consumer support. Some funding provided through the social citizenship departments of corporate entities who choose to partner with us in delivering a particular initiative.

6. Does your Organisation commit to supporting its individual constituents'/membership's informed participation in ICANN?
Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

6. Does your Organisation post on the Internet publicly-accessible, current information about your Organisation's goals, structure, description of constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s) (if this information currently is available, provide URLs)?
Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

Mandate:

http://public.pcnastream.com/Joomla/index.php?option=com_content&ask=view&id=32&Itemid=80

Board of Directors:

http://public.pcnastream.com/Joomla/index.php?option=com_content&ask=view&id=31&Itemid=80

7. Provide information on your Organisation's leadership (leaders' names, positions, emails):

Bev Collins (Executive Director) - bev@pcna.ca

Harry Adam (President) - haadam@shaw.ca

Allan Skuce (Vice-President) - allan@avpbc.com

Gary Shearman (Secretary-Treasurer) - shearman@victoria.tc.ca

Troy McMillan (Director) - troy@pcdoctor.bc.ca

Cathryn Bucher (Director) - cathryn.bucher@cfdcnadina.ca

Objectives

1. Please describe your Organisation's mission and purpose (please attach any mission or policy statement for your Organisation, if in writing, or provide a URL, if posted):

http://public.pcnastream.com/Joomla/index.php?option=com_content&ask=view&id=32&Itemid=80

2. What ICANN-related issues currently are of interest to your Organisation's constituents/membership:

Participation in ICANN's at-large constituency, especially in terms of offering comment on new or existing policy, in a manner that ensures adequate representation of rural, remote, and culturally distinct communities. Issues of interest include Internationalized Domain Names, recommendations made by the Geographic Regions Working Group, and upgrading network backbones to accommodate IPv6.

3. If your Organisation is accredited, will it commit to participating actively in the Regional At-Large Organisation (RALO) for the region in which your Organisation is based?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

4. If your Organisation is accredited, does it or will it agree to adhere to the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the other ALSes in your Geographic Region and ICANN, as if it were an original signer of that document?

Indicate Yes or No: **Yes**

The texts of the MoUs can be found at: https://st.icann.org/alac/index.cgi?reference_texts

Signature

Include the name, and title, if applicable, of the individual who is authorized by your Organisation to sign this application and commit your Organisation to comply with ALS criteria.

Signature: _____

Name: Bev Collins
Date: January 31, 2008
Title: Executive Director