

**The following people are registered to present at public hearings of the Citizens' Assembly.**

**The list, which is current as of June 21st, is organized by hearing location, which in turn is organized alphabetically.**

Dorothy-Jean O'Donnell		Citizens' Assembly should make two recommendations (a) a specific more proportional voting system (b) that the Citizens Assembly be a permanent body to make recommendations for democratic renewal to go to binding referendum at each subsequent election.	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Gil Reynolds		Equal representation by number of MLA's - each ballot is equal. Reduce the huge cost of government MLA's	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Harold Daykin	0190	MMP for BC via 15 regional \compensations seats	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Henry Teichrob		Making a proposal about how to organize the electoral system in BC.	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John H. Redekop Ph.D.		I shall be presenting the case for a mixed system, a simplification of the German system, one which combines single member districts with regional proportional representation. I shall argue that equality in representation must be balanced by other crucial considerations.	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Timothy Jones		Short presentation detailing the observed short comings of the present system based on 35 years of voting in BC. I will be speaking in support of a mixed member proportional voting system.	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Marvin McDonald		As a father and as a psychologist, I entreat the CA to promote electoral reform. Cultivating civic participation in our youth requires new opportunities for participation.	Abbotsford : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Greg Dickey		I support proportional representation because, among other things, it puts an end to what I call \wasted vote syndrome\"	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Iain Macanulty		A brief look at the pros and cons of the single transferable vote system, using Burnaby as an example.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Leslie Brown		Presentation in support of a move towards) proportional representation.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Monique McDonald		The presentation is to address accessibility for deaf-blind, visually impaired and blind individuals to participate in the voting process.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Patrick McMullen		An historic opportunity to examine all elements of our democratic process and ask some fundamental questions. The Citizens' Assembly could find options in structures and processes that more reflect our geography and times.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Patt Shuttleworth		Proportional Representation makes votes count and allows for fair and democratic representation. It is a superior electoral system to the Single Member Plurality or First Past the Post system currently in force in B.C.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Sol Erdman	0141	With an election process called interactive representation, each voter gets a local representative who is closer to him or politically than under other systems. Each legislator also reports to constituents regularly. Linked to voters in these two ways, legislators will try harder to reach broad agreements than they do in other systems.	Burnaby : May 5, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Brenda Black		possible reforms to improve the current electoral system.	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dorothy-Jean O.Donnell		Democratic Renewal is the urgent need of the time. The Citizens Assembly should make recommendations for a more proportional representation system and for the establishment of Citizen's Assemblies at the local level to whom the MLA is responsible, and for the continuation of the Citizens Assembly to address ongoing questions of democratic renewal.	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gil Caffyn		Support for the concept of such assemblies to deal with Public Policy issues. Request to consider ballot option ' non of these candidates are acceptable to me.'	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Mayor Clint Hames		Support for the current system, with all of its warts.	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Olaf Frost	0016	Randomly selected member proportional representation. Seats in the Legislative Assembly would be filled by random selection from voters willing to serve as a representative for that party. 0016	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Raymond Smith		Single member plurality with comprehensive oaths for majority or coalition government members.	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Susanna Smith		Critique of why I would like to see a change	Chilliwack : May 18, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Helmut Schmidt		1) Set time period for election calling, rather than putting off until the party is popular, 2) breaking down of representative seats  , in parliament per party election percentage.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Aaron Rahn		A system of individual and independent democratic elections	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Drew Carmichael	0165	I would like to speak in favor of a Mixed Member Proportional, MMP system.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
E. Brenda Flynn		Current voting system must change, as our present system does not relect how voters vote, and leads to an adversarial type of government. Citizens' frustrations are reflected by increasing lower voter turnout. I am in favour of a mixed member proportional type of voting system.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Greg Watrich		General Elections would give more efficacy to voters if the elections were held every year electing 25% of the MLA's each year on a rotating basis. This would still result in having an election in every constituency every 4 years, but would prevent the possibility of a party lying in a general election and then having almost no accountability to voters for the next 4 years.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Karl Maier		I believe the mixed-member proportional representation voting system would work best for BC. My experience observing elections in other countries supports this belief.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Ken Panton		Focus on finding a process that is judged successful on the basis of the percentage of the electorate that votes. Whether 90% vote, or just 50% vote, the choice to exercise one's franchise is made for a reason.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Korky Day		MMP with open party lists, etc. but the public having the choice of system. Supplementary recommendations, including informing the voters and motivating them to vote.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Stephen Broscoe		I will be arguing in favour of Proportional Representation and offering a couple of Made in BC electoral alternatives to First Past the Post.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jim Ervin		How to make the M.L.A. responsible to the electorate and not just the party.	Coquitlam : June 1, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ralph Keller		My concern for the disenchantment of voters. I sense a huge apathy in the democratic system. I am in favour of a Mixed Member Proportional system. There is a poor registration process for young people, it should be changed.  ,	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Angus Ramsey		Lessons from history that can help us improve our democratic system.	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Eric Brown		I support proportional representation, more specifically one similar to the German model.	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gwyn Frayne		We believe our present electoral system needs to incorporate some form of proportional representation. We support the idea of this initiative and the referendum. The past Chair of our Chapter will co-present with me: Barbara Berger.	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Wood		"Our Current Voting System and What's Wrong With It --- a partial list of some obvious flaws and how they effect the outcome of elections in British Columbia."	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Noel Lax		Not ready	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Rina Berkshire		Currently untitled	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Shirley Ward		Proportional representation would, I believe, make our government more democratic. The current electoral system has contributed to the polarized and adversarial nature of BC politics. The Legislative Assembly is becoming irrelevant, with decisions made in the Premier's office and Cabinet and little meaningful debate in the House. Proportional representation would lead to a more representative range of ideas being heard and debated in the House.	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Susan Holvenston		Comments in support of some form of proportional representation.	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Wendy Richardson		Support for MMP system of proportional representation. Brief explanation of why the system would benefit citizens of BC	Courtenay/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Brian McKean		In favour of Pro Rep. Rep	Courtenay/Comox: May 26, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Bill Peters	0169	How political party solidarity has nullified original idea of representative member acting as an independent voice.	Courtney/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Pamela Munroe	0206	Merits of Mixed Member Proportional Systems	Courtney/Comox : May 26, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Carol Patton		A short presentation on reasons for voting reform in BC with a few recommendations.	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	British Columbia Nurses Union

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Stephen Garvey		Based on nine years of research, I will present in brief why the electoral reform process is democratically invalid, and I will present an alternative, democratic reform process. (In essence, I am proposing that the current reform process, due to its democratic invalidity, needs to be changed, before a decision can be made on a democratic alternative to the current B.C. political system.)	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Vine Madder		Youth vote: why it's diminishing, and what youth want to see in order to begin to participate.	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	President, EK Chapter, Council of Canadians
Walter Latter		Resident of BC for 60 years, retired millwright	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Wilfred Hanni	0371	Presentation in favour of Preferential Balloting	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dr. William Hills		I will deal with proportional representation. I will raise two serious questions.	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Alan Burt		I will be promoting the idea of preferential representation. I will make reference to the British parliamentary tradition. I believe that proportional representation enhances the power of the party but preferential representation brings back the power to the constituents.	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Lloyd Hodge	Yes	To express my earnest hope that the citizens' assembly will recommend a different electoral system--preferably a mixed member proportional representation system, where at least 1/3 of the seats would be filled from party lists.	Cranbrook : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Fred Banham		Accountable & Representative Government	Dawson Creek : May 13, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Peace River Regional District, Deputy Administrator
Claire Gibbs		I will be going over the problems I perceive with the current first past the post system. I will advocate a system of mixed proportional representation with an emphasis on how this will empower voters (especially young voters) while still taking into account potential problems with such a system.	Duncan : June 08, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Brian White	0414	My experience with Single Transferrable Vote and how it will strengthen democracy in BC (Irish voting system)	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Carol Hartwig		The importance of this citizen assembly should not be underestimated. Our ability to participate in representative democracy and the province's ability to react quickly to world events depends on citizens who feel that government represents their interests.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Matthew Price		Why environmental NGO's in BC support electoral reform.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Conservation Voters of BC
Rick Smith		A truly democratic system should reflect both regional communities and communities of interest. The only way this can be achieved is through some form of mixed proportional representation.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Baker	0040	A very simple to implement, yet powerful change in our electoral system could radically change the nature of politics in BC and Canada. Each voter is given 1 choice vote and one reject vote. See <a href="http://www.citizensassembly.bc.ca/resources/submissions/csharman-10_0401071642-010.pdf">http://www.citizensassembly.bc.ca/resources/submissions/csharman-10_0401071642-010.pdf</a>	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Warren Chapman		I am in favour of proportional representation similar to the one that the Green Party was promoting.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Keith Wyndlow		Better method for accountability and to avoid wild swings in govt philosophy at elections. Need moderating influence of electorate between left & right wing govts.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jane Sterk		I want to discuss issues of gender balance, diversity, merit and resistance as it relates to who gets included in the political process with particular reference to women.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gordon Thomas		A comment on the desirability of proportional representation and the need for the proportionality representatives to be selected from the defeated candidates with the highest proportion of the vote in their constituency. A suggested methodology for the implementation of the above.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Marilyn Weland	I believe this is an excellent opportunity to make a very positive change to the way that we do politics. I want to add my voice to make political harmony.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Mike McDonald	Realistic proposals for electoral reform.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Turner	David Turner would like to address the issue of proportional representation, citing from his experience as Victoria Mayor and School Board Chair. NOTE: David would actually like to speak in Victoria, and originally emailed the CA on May 23.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	New Democratic Party, Victoria Federal Riding Association
Guy La Flam	Use your position to reach beyond your mandate.	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David B. Tanner	To curb political power, I propose therefore that we have a bi-cameral arrangement, composed of:  (a) a Legislative Assembly of local representatives, who shall be non-political; and  (b) an Executive Council, elected from the province as a whole.  , In the case of (b), we would vote for a provincial (political party) leader to serve on the Executive Council; and each candidate obtaining more than say 10% of the votes cast, would appoint a team, to serve on the Council; and the team numbers would be based on the proportion of the votes he or she receives. The ultimate power would, however, be in the hands of the Assembly, who would have to approve the actions of the Executive; and would even be able to dismiss them.  ,	Duncan : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Arthur Hadland	Suggest a canton-style election system as in Switzerland.	Fort St John : May 12, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Fran Lavign	If it were a 2-party system, current system would work. But now we have multi-parties here, so we need to change. Impressed with mixed proportional representation.	Fort St John : May 12, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
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Ken Tontsch		My concern about balancing the benefits of a winner take all system of voting that we currently have, versus a proportional method of representation.	Fort St John : May 12, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Andre Carrel	0375	A presentation on the role, validity and contribution by citizens' petitions and referenda as a companion tool to elections in democratic governance.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Barbie Kalmakoff		I will be speaking on behalf of the BC Nurses Union in support of proportional representation.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Pehota		I would like to suggest to the public and the members of the Citizens' Assembly present why a PR system should be implemented in BC. In addition, I will propose a particular form of PR and how it would meet the needs of British Columbians, rural and urban.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Diana Carr	0366	A brief statement in support of MMP.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jack Blower		The majority rule concept combined with party politics in the Legislature, and the undemocratic consequences.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Raymond Gaudart	0059	I will speak in favour of a Mixed Member Proportional Representation system.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ron Liddle	0367 0422	A brief oral presentation in support of Mixed Member Proportional	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Scott Leyland		I will speak about my experience as a campaigner for the proportional representation initiative in 2002.  , Presentation to be considered as submission.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Vern L. Rixin		The abuses governments heap on citizens by taxing us to death.	Grand Forks : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Al Knight		I am concerned with the number of members and the threshold for propotional representation. I am also concerned with the selection process for the members at large.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Self
Allison McMillan		A presentation highlighting why I personally am for a change to Proportional Representation from the current first past the post as an electoral system.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	B.C. Nurses Union

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Darren Blois	Argument in favour of MLA's representing ridings, and against proportional representation.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Don Cameron	To alert you of the many pitfalls that lay ahead if we abandon the party system.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ernie Schmidt	In the past few years is proof enough that Proportional Representation is a must. Its a known fact too much power corrupts, absolute power leads to absolute corruption. While Proportional Representation is a must, its not the complete answer.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Grant Fraser	I wish to describe my experiences as a canvasser and the frustration with the current system.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Candidate, Green Party of Canada
Marc Grégoire	On the relationship between democracy and good government, and the parliamentary system.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Valoree Baker	I also believe we must address the issue of financing elections if we are to hope for a remotely level playing field. Also the role the media plays in allotting coverage.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Carole James	Will outline the party's position on electoral reform--namely a more proportional system--and why the party is not recommending a particular form of PR.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Provincial NDP Party
Robin Torpes	1. I will present my ide for Proportional Representation. 2. I will present a sample ballot for to show alternatives to current ballot. 3. I will also present the change that would be required in our electoral districts and legislature.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Tony Brumell	I am very concerned about the loss of democracy and huge majority governments that tend to cause voter apathy	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Peoples Voice coalition (if permission is obtained)
Anne Grube	Brief oral presentation regarding my suggestions for changes to the electoral system	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Arjun Singh	I support proportional representation and I will speak about why that would be a good thing for BC.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Cameron (Cam) Murray	In general I support the concept of Proportional Representation(MMP model),but with reservations about how the party lists are derived.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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J. R. (Dick) McMaster		Retired School Administrator; Retired Fishing Camp Operator; Founding member-Executive Officer & Retired Executive Director of the BC Fishing Resorts & Outfitters Assoc.; and recently retired Consulting Assistant to the Guide Outfitters Assoc. of BC. Have been very much involved in collaborative - consensus building land use planning in BC.	Kamloops : June 17, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Carter		A statement in support of mixed member proportional representation.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Devra Rice		I would like to encourage a change in our electoral system to a mixed member proportional system and discuss some benefits of proportional representation.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jim Neilsen		Oral presentation with printed copies available.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Paddy Weston	0236	my preceptions of drawbacks of current system.  , My reasons for wanting MMP	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Terry W. Robertson		The six main points that should be considered for the successful adoption of a new electoral process are, in order of increasing importance- familiarity, simplicity,  , stability, transparency, equality and proportionality.  ,	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gregory Krasichynski		Only need two minutes to verbally propose the primary means for practical furtherance of the interests of Canadians who believe in proportional representation: publicity.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Rae Stonehouse		Personal observation re B.C politics & a reiteration of recommendations forwarded by the BCNU.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	BCNU
Mark Haley		I will be speaking in favour of proportional representation to achieve a more democratic electoral process.	Kelowna : June 24, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	The Communist Party of Canada (CP)
Andrea Welling	0219	I plan to discuss the disadvantage of our current electoral system. I will recommend the assembly to focus on a proportional system called mixed member. MMP.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Benno Friesen		I think that it would be a mistake to move towards the notion of proportional representation.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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David Truman		I will present arguments in favour of returning to the system of electing two members per riding.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Kathrine Churchill		My presentation will outline why the current voting system needs to change as well as our recommendations regarding the changes we think are important to move towards improved democracy.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	South Fraser Valley BCNU
Maxwell Anderson	0038	The Committee for Voting Equity in BC recommends a moderate semi-proportional system called MMS, which uses proven elements to give voters what they want and make sure the voters' intentions are better reflected in Victoria.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Scott Thompson		I wish to make a presentation recommending a system that incorporates elements from both the first past the post system and a proportional representation system.	Langley : May 20, 2004 Thursday : 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dorothy-Jean O'Donnell		The proper role of a political party is to mobilize citizens to participate in the polity not to rule on behalf of citizens. More proportional representation is part of the work for democratic renewal.	Lillooet : June 16, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	People's Front
Rick Benoit		How I envisage computer voting. Voters' rights.	Maple Ridge : May 19, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Scott Etches		Party representatives gravitate to represent the party to the people rather than the constituent to the governing body. PR systems must look to include the right of an independent candidate to serve the constituents uniquely.	Maple Ridge : May 19, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
William Walsh		The polarization of politics in British Columbia has hurt everyone. There is a huge economic cost and political cost when we vote against a particular vision. I am for a proportional rep system where parties which have reached a certain threshold of the popular vote (say 5%) must be represented, because they represent issues which are important to all of us.	Maple Ridge : May 19, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Beverley Eert		Personal experience with the electoral system has convinced me that we desperately need to overhaul the system. I strongly support a Mixed Member Proportional system.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Dunaway		In recognition of the flaws inherent in FPTP, Transferable Ballots and PR, a hybrid of voting systems encompassing two ballots and a none of the above option. All of which are aimed to minimize the existing, undue influence of political parties.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David W. Wright, Q.C.		I favour proportional representation for many reasons, one of which is that all Parties, and all regions would benefit from it, and it would greatly strengthen the democratic process.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Doug Creba		The role of party caucus discussions that lead to public votes in the legislature.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jim Erkiletian		Requesting some form of proportional representation.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Julian West	0177 0467	"Voter choice" should be given consideration along with "proportionality," leading to a focus on systems such as STV or fully open lists. Systems which facilitate the emergence of new political parties should also be prepared to regulate those parties to ensure the public's interest in open political participation and democracy."	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Katherine Gordon	0234	The experience of the transition from first past the post to mixed member proportional representation in New Zealand three elections ago. This submission will be in support of a change to that system.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Norman Abbey		Replace our present system of dis-proportional representation, with proportional representation. The recent federal rule-change to 'proportional financing' of elections is an encouraging first step.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ronda Murdock		I can not describe my presentation at this time.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Hermine Hicks		I want to speak about proportional representation.	Nanaimo : May 27, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gary Wright		There is a great need for electoral reform. The challenge to the Assembly will be to reach internal compromise in order to frame a single question/option to put to the general electorate.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Clayton Knapp		A fairer system of representation where all voters have a voice. I believe that a huge majority government is not a good government.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Colleen Driscoll		I will present in favour of proportional representation. I need to be on later in the evening due to a Nursing dinner	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Donald Scarlett		I wish to address social and equity issues of electoral reform. I will make an effort to avoid duplication of input already received by the Citizens' Assembly.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Alton		I wish to give my personal experience of how the present system is not working for me. I will say also why I feel a proportional system would work better.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Joyce MacDonald		Increasing accountability and participation (1 short page)	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Patricia Lakes		Supporting proportional representation that would reflect certain principles: that the number of members in the legislature be manageable; that the power of rural BC not be further eroded and that the members be accountable to the electors.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Tom Prior		Looking for alternative to FPTP--suggesting proportional systems--along NZ line--provide a good option.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Troy Lanigan	0397	To recommend to the Citizens Assembly a voting system that will strive to attain better accountability in government.	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Colleen McCrory		Mixed Proportional Representation and relevant reforms	Nelson : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Charles Boylan		We will advocate no election without selection of candidates. Need for a standing committee on electoral reform, and need for some system of proportional representation, but outside the box of Party representation.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Lane		Environmental concerns of the electorate are not being properly represented	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Don DeMill		Democratic dilemmas and solutions in the electoral process and representative democracy. The Athenian experience.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Guy Duperreault	0215	The best reformation of the electoral process is to replace it with a jury-duty system of choosing governors.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Harold Daykin	0190	MMP for BC via 15 regional compensation seats without use of party lists.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John A West	0010 0066	Consensual integration of representative and direct democracy by a none of the above box on the ballot form. Random selection of representatives man woman clan mother. Meet in priorities councils	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Vegt	0067	Review of Preferential Plus proportional representation model and review of five goals to guide Citizens Assembly.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Broughton		I am an advocate of mixed-member proportional representation.	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Terry Julian		Advocating a single member plurality because it maintains a strong party system	New Westminster : May 6, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Millar		Assert and defend democratic right.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Peter Minshull		Speaking in support of proportional representation. Speaking about the perceived weaknesses of coalition and minority governments and supposed strengths of current system.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Herbert Grubel		I would like to speak briefly on two topics: 1. The bias towards excessively large government under systems of proportional representation. 2. The need for governments to be constrained by legal or constitutional requirements for balanced budgets and maximum levels of spending and taxation.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Alison Watt		I will speak in favour of changing the electoral system in BC.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Chris Shaw		I will speak to the mixed member proportional representation option for revising our electoral system, as well as the implications for provincial and federal politics, and society.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
George Heyman		The presentation will consist of recommendations for electoral reform from the 60,000-member BC Government and Service Employees' Union.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Lance Balcom		The Citizens Assembly' recent 'Preliminary Statement to the People of British Columbia' highlighted the lack of proportional representation and tendency toward government dominated two-party politics as weaknesses in our current system. I concur but I am also wary of the bureaucracy and additional legislative complexity that a remedy may imply. I would like an opportunity to briefly speak on the role that direct democracy might play to act as a counter-weight to this tendency.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Paul Browning		In Support of Mixed-Member Proportional Representation.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	



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Paula Waatainen - Rokridge Secondary		Grade 11 or 12 Rockridge students will present recommendations from the school's Model Citizens' Assembly.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ron Gamble		It will be on electoral reform and direct democracy.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Stephen Phillips		I propose to discuss the beneficial transformative effects that a properly designed system of proportional representation would likely produce in B.C. I would also like to rebut some of the popular misconceptions about P.R.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Tom Cornwall		The presentation will discuss party discipline and its relevance to electoral system design. In general, the presentation will argue that party discipline is a necessary evil in BC.	North Vancouver : June 2, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Cass Robinson		Mixed type is best	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Kevin Barry		To speak in support of the official BC Nurses Union submission.	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Steele		Ballot reform.To force better candidate selections in our elections.	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	n/a
Tom Hoenisch		I am advocating a mixed member proportional representation system.	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Harry Naegel		Pro Proportional Representation	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Brigid Kemp		My presentation will be based on proportional representation	Penticton : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Communist Party of BC

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Glenn Cooper		Basically I see dangers in too many single issue parties, which are not prepared to balance and consider all the options  , and issues that need to be balanced in actually running a coherent provincial government. Their one of a kind issues need airing  , fully in the press and publicly, but not skewing the immensely difficult task of actually governing and taking the full consequences for the balance achieved.	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Scott Fraser		I will speak in favour of the provincial Citizens' Assembly process and why such a process should be adopted Nationally.	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Federal NDP candidate, Nanaimo/Alberni Riding
Joyce Currie		Regional representation. Perhaps 10 regions reflecting the geographic, resource, transportation, employment, delivery of services etc, challenges that are similar yet area specific throughout BC.	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Nelson Allen		A former Alderman City of Nanaimo, former Regional Board Director and current School Trustee-Nanaimo MA in Political Science Public Policy and Comparative Government	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Alexander Miller		Aspects of our electoral and political systems should be changed to reduce the incidence of governments with false majorities and of unproductive polarisation.	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jack Thornburgh		Present system flawed: not appropriate for multi-party elections.	Port Alberni : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Catherine Bell		I believe we should change the system.	Port McNeill : May 25, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Vancouver Island North NDP
Andrea Goldsmith		I will provide reasons why an MMP voting system similar to the one proposed by the Canadian Law Commission for federal elections is suitable and desirable for BC. I will also advocate that the voter age be lowered to 16 years of age.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Clancy Cross		Electoral reform	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	

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Delores Delatorre		Proportional Representation advantages for voter's frustrations.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Guy Hawkins		My presentation would focus on having a no-party system like in Nunavut and the Northwest Territories.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Kathryn Kleinsteuber		Voting process of the STV system	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Marilynn MacKenzie		Am in support of representational government MMP system	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Maureen Simmonds		Short oral submission. Short sung submission.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	Powell River Raging Grannies
Pat Christie		I always vote but as I enter middle age I realize that only once has someone I voted for actually been elected. I am beginning to feel that our democracy is a sham - we get a ballot but our vote doesn't give us a voice, it just legitimizes a terrible fraud.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Patrick Brabazon		Electoral reform is required if we are to avoid the severe political and ideological swings of past elections.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Patti Gibbs		I believe electoral reform should focus on proportional representation, I prefer a mixed member type.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Philip Fleischer		Some arguments on electoral reform, in particular run-off and pro-rep.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Sasha Uhlmann		We need a voting system that accurately reflects voters wishes. People are becoming disenfranchised with the voting system and no longer feel that they can vote for who they want for fear of a worse party getting elected.	Powell River : May 15 2004 : Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm	
Chad Bester	0028 0213	Proposal for Regional Representation. Warning of potential problems with Proportional Rep.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Don Roberts		To provide a logical argument in favour of mixed proportional representation. To argue in favour of fairness and maximum democracy.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Rustad		The benefits of preferential balloting versus the pitfalls of proportional representation.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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John Van Der Woude		Proportional Representation, the way for the future.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Lara Beckett	0257	To support Mixed Member Proportional Representation as the most fair and democratic method of turning votes into seats and allowing the voters' choice to be recognized.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Maxine Armstrong		My presentation will be in support of proportional representation.	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
William (Bill) Barnes		Reforming the ballot to give the voter clarity of their opinion and power input for government action. ( <a href="http://www.valuevote.ca">www.valuevote.ca</a> ).	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Virginia Karr		Real Rural Representation	Prince George : May 10, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Hilary Crowley	0288	We definitely need to change our voting system to prevent the polar swings characteristic of this Province. Too many of the electorate feel disenfranchised so we need more proportional representation.	Prince George : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Konsmo		I will support the idea of proportional representation.	Prince Rupert : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Lorraine Bugera		It will be in favour of proportional representation.	Prince Rupert : June 9, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Harold Daykin	0190	MMP for BC via 15 regional \compensations seats	Princeton : June 14, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Thomas Cheney		I will be discussing the advantage of Mixed Proportional Representation.	Queen Charlotte City : June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Gerry Johnson		The Power of One: Deficiencies and Recommendations	Queen Charlotte City : June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Bob Simpson		Any reform to the electoral process must make space for independents. There is a growing cynicism towards political parties and a trend towards independents gaining seats in government. Our future electoral system must be able to accommodate this trend.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dave Koster		I advocate that we use the swiss democratic model. Use presentation as submission.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ed Mazur		A contract of Trust needs to be drawn up between each elected official and the voters of his or her riding that clearly states that the elected official must be solely and fully accountable to the voters who elected him or her. Such a contract Must have consequences if violated by for example lying or breaking an election promise, etc, etc. Thank You.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Erle Martz		I'd like to make a presentation supporting the preferential balloting system, possibly mixed with proportional representation. I feel that it's important in the public's votes that the party that they 'don't want' be included in the ballot arrangement.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Peter Ewart		A fundamental issue in our society is: who has sovereign power, from whom does all power flow? In a truly democratic society, all power flows from the people and the electoral processes must reflect this concept in every way. This should be an important, indeed crucial, guiding principle in any decision we make as electors regarding which electoral reforms are most appropriate.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Sarah Hilbert-West		My thoughts on retaining sufficient and effective representation for northern/rural areas with different models of electoral reform. From past experience as political staffer/researcher and as an advocate for northern communities.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Yvonne Dixon		I believe in what you guys are doing, but I think that the representative sitting in the provincial government should be from that field. For example, education should have educators, in the forestry department, elected representatives should be trained in forestry and all the way down the line in all the departments.	Quesnel : May 11, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Roger Granville-Mart		A short oral statement	Radium / Invermere : June 22, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
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Debra Ducharme		A presentation that supports MMPR electoral reform from the point of view of a politically active nurse and a concerned parent of 3 adult children who do not vote.	Revelstoke : June 22, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	BC Nurses Union
Patricia Sieber		Support of Mixed Member Proportional Representation in order to make our votes more a reflection of the views of the voters of our province.	Revelstoke : June 22, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Reay		I will be endorsing PR, but will indicating that the committee also should acknowledge that financial rules and nomination systems also need attention.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Gretchen Harlow		I will talk about the Pro-Rep campaign in Richmond two years ago.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Waller	0094	When a voting procedure is evaluated one should ask: is it fair; is it easily understood; and does it represent all regions in BC?	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John West	0010 0066	Simplicity. Change on ballot form offering a "None of the Above" option. And the style of Assembly which would follow.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Lucien Saumur	0052	I propose to explain how a system of preferential voting is most suited to a democracy and to demonstrate how it may easily be implemented using modern technology.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Neil Smith		The assembly in the spirit of open mindedness, has been far too generous towards our current FPTP system. I would like to point out how some of the perceived advantages of FPTP are specious, and the need to change is urgent.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Nick Loenen	0035	Preferential-Plus: a blend of multi-seat and single-seat ridings designed for maximum diffusion of authority at the top, and maximum popular participation at the bottom.	Richmond : May 4, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Carol Donnelly		Our Canadian disproportional electoral system and working towards a solution to this problem.	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Andrew Lewis		I will be recommending some form of MMP based on my experiences canvassing for the Pro Rep Initiative in 2002.	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
J. Douglas Dobson	0100	We should change from the current system to one of mixed PR, open list with geographic / constituency representation.	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jennifer Burgis		The underlying values of an alternative system must be a central focus of the Assembly deliberations. Some factors critical for the political health of democracy will be presented.	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Marg Simons		undetermined yet	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	Raging Grannies
Sara MacIntyre	0397	To recommend the Citizens Assembly consider an electoral system that enhances government accountability.	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Ian McKinnon		The way in which political parties interact with and respond to electoral systems. Perspective on how different electoral systems cause changes in the power and functioning of political parties	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Bruce Frederick		Later	Salt Spring : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Alun Woolliams		A vote in favor of proportional representation.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Arnet Tuffs		It will be on proportional representation.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Denise Lagasse		Short presentation, excited to participate in this democratic process	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Helen & Doug Roy		We will encourage to go for proportionality.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jeff Chilton	0053 0054	Mixed Member Proportional Representation offers the best solution to reform an undemocratic voting system.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jim Elliott		I want to point out some of the merits of PRep (more educated voting, less despair voting etc) citing data from New Zealand and from Henry Miller's \Civic Literacy\"."	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Joan Higgs		Appeal for a mixed member proportional representative system.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Lynn Chapman		My presentation will be my thoughts on the electoral process generally and the options considered by the Citizens' Assembly thus far.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Michael Hume		The importance of defending our sovereignty through an updated proportional representation electoral system.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jayun McDowell		Voted for 28 years. My vote has never counted. I believe in a pure Pro Rep system, no threshold.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Michael Maser		The need for electoral reform mirrors urgent need for improving resiliency to address increasing societal challenges.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Anna Banana		In favour of a system where \my role will count" but I have questions concerning larger ridings in rural areas."	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Janette McConnell		Not going back and forth from extreme right and extreme left, a more democratic system is needed.	Sechelt : June 5, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Andrew Lewis		I wish to present my experiences and support for the Pro Rep campaign, (MMP) 2002, as one of the lead organizers for Saanich North and the Islands; one of the ridings to achieve over 10% support for the Initiative.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	



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Ben Dolf		The Canadian Unitarian Council study group on democracy applauds the search for a more suitable electoral system.  ,   , We also underline the need for a more formalized dialogue between citizens and their elected representatives.  ,   , We will present a simple model to that effect.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Bryan Schwartz	0051	I propose that B.C. adopt proportional representation as its electoral voting model. Statistical analysis shows that the addition of 15-20% list seats creates a surprisingly high level of correlation between party votes cast and seats won. This proposal addresses the wasted vote phenomenon without abandoning the salient features of the current system.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
David Buchanan		The restoration of honesty and integrity to the democratic process.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Guy Dauncey		Democracy is not something you either have or don't have. It is an evolving process, and as citizens become more informed and involved, we need better systems of representation. the current "first past the post" system encourages two-party antagonism	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Harold Daykin	0190	MMP for BC via 15 regional compensation seats without use of party lists.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Horst Kohne		The new reality of diverse global-village relations requires more direct citizen participation in government.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Joan Russow		As the former federal leader of the Green Party of Canada, I am participating in a Charter challenge to the First Past the Post system. I would be addressing the application of the Charter to electoral reform.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John Alvin Pelter		A process to more accurately measure voter feeling and turnout. A system for holding parties and politicians more accountable.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Patrick Thompson		Generally opposed to changing our electoral system.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Roy Sutherland		It's past time BC has a different voting system	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Saul Arbess		Public interest and advocacy, strengthening Canadian democratic institutions.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	Council of Canadians, Victoria Chapter
Victor Shorsky		Will be mailed later	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Walter Meyer Zu Erpen		Personal experience of participation as a Green party candidate in the 2001 provincial elections.	Sidney/Victoria : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
George Koopmans		To come	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Hilda Earl		A short narrative of the shortcomings and effects of the present system; then a summary of the principles I would like to see incorporated into a new electoral system.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Roger Benham		Minor political parties representing less than 10% of the electorate are granted no representation in the BC legislature which disenfranchises these voters. I support Pro Rep system of voting.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ron Toews		I wish to argue the merits of a single, preferential ballot system.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
William (Bill) Miller		The benefits of pro rep for the northern and other rural areas of B.C.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Stephen Mann		benefits to mixed pro rep as an advantage to our bring back the the vote	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dave Stevens		Principles and a proposal for a proportional representation system.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Alexander MacDonald		An adaptation of the way the Northwest territories elect their leaders. My presentation focuses on how there might be such a process to ensure that the riding representative would require 50% plus one vote in a run-off process between the candidates.	Smithers : June 7, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Joan Halverson		In favour of representation by population.	Sparwood : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Michael Clark		Minimal change will work best for an evolving parliamentary system. PR can be incremental.	Sparwood : June 23, 2004 : Wednesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Benton Mischuk		A presentation in support of adopting some sort of PR system as most fair for the diversity of contemporary BC and transparent re the compromises involved in governing. As a member of Fair Vote Canada, I will present its concerns.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Bill Piket		BC should have a combination of proportional representation and geographical representation.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Carmela Clare	0293	Our present system of electing political representatives very often discourages people from voting for their real first choice of candidate. I believe that a Mixed Proportional Representation system, as New Zealand has, would give fairer results and encourage people to vote more honestly.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John West	0010 0066	Simple solution to complexity of party dirty tricks. Fits all templates of Citizens' Assembly requirements and established constitutional standards. Possible scenarios. All of the Above (AOTA) agenda.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Keith Wallace		I've lived and worked in democratic, communist and fascist societies, and I'm quite clear that proportional representation offers real benefits.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Louis A. Kaufmann		I propose to introduce seven steps towards creating a citizen directed society which will include the implementation of necessary technology to provide permanent polling centres in each county across this great nation.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Neil Sutherland		Criteria for choosing an electoral system	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Richard Papiernik	0493	Title: \Are we Fixing the Problem the Right Way\''''	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Robert Stirling		The merits of partial proportional representation versus fully proportional representation.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Steven Faraher-Amidon		Presentation will focus on the pros and cons of varying types of political electoral reform, focusing particularly on the benefits and historical aspects of reforms as measured by the experience of other nations who have made changes and how these may impact the proposed reform in BC.	Surrey 1 : May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Alan Webster		The Westminster system of governance depends on the basic right of qualified voters to make their selection of the best candidate in their riding, be they party nominated or individuals. I do not support any \PR\'' system--be it STV	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Graham Evan MacDonell		A statistical analysis of the difference in votes and the popular vote percentage to the number of seats and percentage of seats attained in the Legislature for provincial general elections - 1871 to 2001	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
James Proctor		Discussing the merits of a municipal-slate electoral model	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
John Allan West	0010 0066	Purpose, principles and program of the NOTA option will be explained and, since it appears philosophically seamless and simple common sense it will find growing popular support.  ,	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Caretaker Movement- Church of the Universe
Nikolas Jeffrey		I have a great fondness for tradition and history and I believe that most types of PR have absolutely no place in BC or Canada, but our pure first-pass-the-post system will not be viewed as an acceptable electoral method in the near future. I wish to propose an evolution of our current system.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Penny Leclair		The special needs that people who are deaf-blind have when citizens are given the opportunity to vote. Brief explanation of why the voting process is inadequate at present, and my suggestions of how to improve the system.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Rick Benoit		Computer polling: setting the agenda of the house by popular computer poll.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Evans		Reason over rhetoric. Eliminating flashy \spam\" ads and replacing them with substance."	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Rondeau		My submission deals with the establishment of structures and locations to allow participation of citizens in the electoral process. EG: Candidate debates, Party Presentations, New Voter Training, etc.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Stone		CITIZENS ASSEMBLY FOR CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Wayne Taylor		Will email	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Tom Ashley		It will be about electoral reform revolving around debt management.	Surrey 2 : May 31, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Reg Stowell	0043	I will expand upon the presentation I previously submitted to the assembly	Terrace : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Val George		No electoral system is perfect, but our current one is one of the worst of the possible options. Proportional representation with guaranteed local representation is what we should move towards.	Terrace : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Betty Geier		Strongly in favour of Pro Rep. I also feel that citizens in large areas with scanty population and therefore miniscule representation have a hard time protecting resources, and I wonder what can be done about that problem.	Terrace : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Henry Dreger		I will make a case for a modified proportional electoral system.	Terrace : June 8, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Greg Blanchette		The "yo-yo mandate" problem is ruinous to the province	Ucluelet : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Jayun McDowell		Voted for 28 years. My vote has never counted. I believe in a pure Pro Rep system, no threshold.	Ucluelet : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jeff Chilton	0053 0054	Our current system of First Past the Post is disfunctional and undemocratic.	Ucluelet : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Ken Faris		Concern for a system that will reduce conflict and encourage cooperation.	Ucluelet : May 15, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
David Marchant		Because of my views, I don't feel like I am represented by MLAs in the current system. New Zealand model recommended. More important to have my views represented than to have someone representing my community.	Valemount: May 8, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Adriane Carr	0287	As the Proponent of a citizen's Initiative in 2002 under BC's Recall and Initiative Act, I will explain why I chose to advocate a Mixed Member Proportional (MMP) electoral system similar to the one adopted in New Zealand as the one most suitable for BC. I will also relate what my volunteer canvassers and I learned in gathering over 98,000 signatures on the Initiative petitions and I will also suggest modifications to the original Initiative legislation which would help meet public concerns expressed during the Initiative process and which would make it meet the mandate of the Citizens Assembly.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Alex Boston	0272	Approval voting is an easy to learn modification of either our present system or proportional representation (or a combination of the two) that stops vote-splitting.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Claudia Medina-Culos		I would like to speak on how electoral reform will increase an interest in the electoral process especially amongst youth and also how this will facilitate a fairer democratic process	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ian Gregson	0064 0182	Presentation of article from SFU News. (see <a href="http://www.citizensassembly.bc.ca/public/news/2004/03/dmaclachlan3_0403310858-711">www.citizensassembly.bc.ca/public/news/2004/03/dmaclachlan3_0403310858-711</a> )Article proposes MMP in New Zealand style.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Joel DeYoung		Advocating for a mixed proportional representation system of voting. The presentation will draw on my personal experiences working in previous election campaigns in BC, as well my experience with voting systems in other jurisdictions and countries. I will persuasively argue that modernizing our electoral system is critical to the very survival of our democracy.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Judy Darcy		As a resident of BC who has travelled and worked extensively in all 10 provinces, I believe strongly that we must move to a more representative system of government, one in which governments are far more accountable to the people. Our present first-past-the-post system encourages arrogance, excessive partisanship and divisiveness and discourages citizenship involvement in the political process, especially on the part of youth.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Mae Burrows		I support Proportional Representation because this form of voting will lessen the dramatic swings in government, and provide more balance. Proportional Representation encourages consensus building in government, and people will become more involved because every vote will count.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Max Anderson		To overcome a number of problems in the current BC electoral system, the Committee for Voting Equity in BC proposes an arrangement called the "Moderate Mixed System". MMS combines elements from the voting systems of countries such as Australia New Zealand Scotland and Wales to create a made-in-BC solution that balances fairness voter choice local representation and simplicity."	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Peter Rastall	0072	General elections should be abolished and replaced by a continuing set of by-elections. Possibilities for proportional representation are considered.	Vancouver 1 : May 3, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Andrea Reimer		I will speak to the need to make our public institutions less adversarial and more focused on public policy and how electoral reform is a vital part of this much needed shift.	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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David Mills		A system if it is uniform and inflexible, over time becomes less adaptable to its environment, which is ever changing. In BC evidence suggests that our electoral system is lacking in the diversity necessary to accommodate change. I will share my views on how electoral reform would reinvigorate our political processes, making them more adaptable, and more of a reflection of ourselves.	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Janet Wiegand		In 1991, the Royal Commission on Electoral Reform and Campaign Financing found that women are the most under-represented group in Canada. The submission will cover electoral systems and proactive measures (applicable to BC) that allow women greater representation among elected representatives.	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John A West	0010 0066	Purpose, principles and program of the NOTA option will be explained and, since it appears philosophically seamless and simple common sense it will find growing popular support.	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Karin Litzcke		A proposal for politics without political parties	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Tim Howard		My views on the shortcomings of the current FPTP system, the desirability of moving to a MMP-style system in which voter's choices are more accurately reflected in the make up of the Legislature, and recommendations on safeguards that need to be built into any referendum process to ensure transparency and a level playing field.	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
David Black		My presentation will advocate a mixed-member proportion system of electing Members of the Legislative Assembly	Vancouver 2 : May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 378



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Mark Latham		One advantage of a single transferable vote (STV) system over a mixed member proportional (MMP) system is that STV does not build in a dominant role for political parties, whereas MMP is defined in terms of political parties. My research on how to make voting more effective in corporations and in civic politics proposes some improvements that would result in a less dominant role for political parties (see <a href="http://www.corpmon.com">www.corpmon.com</a> ).	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jason Clemens		Discussion of the unintended consequences of electoral reform, particularly when it involves a transition from a majoritarian system to a PR system. Will also discuss mechanisms through which citizens and taxpayers can be protected.	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	The Fraser Institute
Rick James		Computer voting And three changes to the electoral system	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Matthew Laird		The positives and negatives of various proposed electoral systems, and how to go beyond electoral reform.	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Bruce Krayenhoff		Democracy as an imperfect representative system, and how to improve this representation through proportional representation and quotas.	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
RoyGrinshpan		My own personal views on: - pros and cons of current system, - changes I would like to see and approaches followed, - impressions of the citizens assembly process	Vancouver: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John Dennison		I propose to offer two themes, both based on experience in Australia. The first regarding mandatory voting legislation. The second dealing with the transferable vote.	Vancouver2: May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Doug Wright		The Complete First-Past-the-Post election system is a new method for electing legislative assemblies. The system is useful for federal, provincial, state, city or municipal elections.	Vancouver2: May 29, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Sam Sullivan		Vancouver City Councillor Sam Sullivan will present findings on his ten year research on civic electoral reform issues.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Alex Tunner		A simple modification of the current FPP system to obtain good proport'l representation, while preserving the principle of locally elected MLAs. It will be illustrated with results from the last two provincial elections.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Arpal Dosanjh		In my presentation, I will advocate in favour of a preferential balloting system and against adopting a proportional representation (PR) system. By adopting preferential balloting, we can realize most of PR's benefits while avoiding PR's inherent accountability problem.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Dave Park		There are several key principles that we believe should underlie the electoral system in British Columbia.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	The Vancouver Board of Trade
Garry Nixon		explaining the Irish system - how it ensures minority representation	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Jessica Clogg		Concerns with the current sytem and characteristics that a new system should have from an NGO perspective.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	West Coast Environmental Law
Mebrat Kebede		Support for electoral reform and proportional representation.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Neil Sutherland		Criteria for choosing an electoral system.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Reimar Kroecher		To argue for change to proportional representation and to citizen-initiated referendum.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
William Lim		Discussing 3 different options of electoral reform.	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Robert Everton		I would like to comment on the historical evolution of "democracy" and its distinction from most electoral systems. I call for the need for forms of "participatory democracy" to accompany other basic electoral reforms."	Vancouver3: June 12, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Brenda Hitchen		My presentation will be a statement about why we need change and that I believe a mixed member proportional system would make everyone's vote count.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Hart	0304	I will present the points outlined in my earlier online submission to your Assembly	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Len Bawtree	a proposal to modify the present elections system to allow some proportional representation. Also some recommendations to reduce the alienation of (North of Hope) electors often felt due to the preponderance of seats in southwest BC"	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Robert Dubois	I wish to present the None-of-the-Above (NOTA) voter option for all ballots. NOTA is catching on in USA, Australia and others. NOTA	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dave Nordstrom	While likely beyond the scope of the Citizen's Assembly mandate, this issue of sustaining and developing civic awareness and positive debating skills clearly transcends any reorganization of election procedures.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Norman Jaques	Express concerns about our current system and will promote MMP as a new system for BC.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Council of Canadians- Vernon Chapter
Basil Edwards	It will be about having preferential balloting.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Lethbridge	Advocacy of mixed-member proportional representation in the broader context of the nature of political democracy.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	Communist Party of Canada - BC Committee
Anthony Plourde	Will discuss the idea of a referendum style government.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Bjorn and Ruth Meyer	We will discuss proportional representation.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Patricia Sieber	My submission will be in support of mixed member Proportional Representation in order to make our votes more a reflection of the views of the voters of our province.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Anthony Plourde	I will discuss the idea of a referendum style of government.	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Jackson	Areas of the existing electoral model which are not functioning and need to be addressed in any proposed reforms	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Guy Jolley	In support of proportional representation and against the first past the post system	Vernon : June 21, 2004 : Monday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Frank Ryan		a victoria resident that wants to address the Victoria hearing. Prince Rupert will not do for me favours the transferrable system as I like a chance to vote my beliefs rather than just hold my nose and vote	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 4:00 to 9:30 pm	
Donald Scott		It will center on pre-elections activities and the nominations of candidates. I will also discuss proportional representation.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 4:00 to 9:30 pm	
Ken Frenette		I will make a few recommendations: that objective political awareness should be mandatory in high schools; and if voter turnout continues to drop, we have a serious problem in Canada.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 4:00 to 9:30 pm	
Dave Flavell		I favour the transferable ballot voting system in my presentation. I will make my case for the benefit of that system.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Adriane Carr	0287	As the leader of the Green Party of BC I will explain why my party supports the change to a Mixed Member Proportional (MMP) voting system for BC and our assessment of how MMP would positively impact voters (especially youth), political parties, election campaigns and the Legislative Assembly. I will also explain why the BC Green Party supports a closed list system in terms of delivering better representation for women and minorities, more transparent candidate selection, more cooperative politics, and better representation of both geographical constituencies and province-wide constituencies of interest.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Al Reford		I wish to make a presentation in support of a mixed proportional representation system.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Bill Hanson		The "Every Vote Counts" electoral system	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Bruce Hallsor	0223	My presentation will be on behalf of Fair Vote Canada, and will review the characteristics of voting systems used around the world comparing and contrasting the positive and negative attributes of each system as they might relate to British Columbia. Fair Vote Canada will be urging the assembly to examine all systems proposed to them by their ability to meet certain criteria that we believe are the hallmark of a good electoral system in the context of modern Canadian society. I practice electoral law and have studied various electoral systems. I am currently the national VP of Fair Vote Canada, information on which can be obtained at <a href="http://www.fairvotecanada.org">www.fairvotecanada.org</a> .	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David Piney		I propose a contractual mandate electoral system, where candidates are legally bound by the mandate they petition the electorate with -subject to jury review- in order to empower the collective conscience as the determinant of social direction. Thus replacing the vulnerability of individual representatives to powerfully coercive forces -especially during these energy crisis times- with that of the entire public who become the sole determinant of the general direction of the ship of state.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
David B. Godfrey		Votes-to-seats: Lessons from other jurisdictions such as Israel, Germany, Australia and New Zealand.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jack Dixon		Do we need political parties?	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Paul Seal		3-minute oral presentation on success of coalition governments in Europe, where PR is common.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Ralph Sketchley		Observations on alternatives, without repeating what has already been said.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Rob Wipond	0268	A new proportional representation electoral system will revitalize democracy in BC and allow people to vote from their hearts.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	

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Sylvia Korican	My presentation has to do with assigning members-at-large and helping to address the problems of smaller parties.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Josephine Doman	About supporting proportional representation.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Jim McDermott	I would like to share my views on electoral reform and how I feel it could effect positive changes toward the avenue of direct democracy.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Michael Wheatley	The primary focus must be selection of the electoral reform which is most likely to succeed rather than the reform that is seen as best because the adoption process is weighted in favour of rejection and interests that are both wealthy and influential are likely to oppose adoption.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Dorothy Shannon	Our structure for voting in the province; BC would benefit from taking a hold of itself in independent fashion in its voting system.	Victoria : June 10, 2004 : Tuesday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Doug Morrison	Presentation is on a form of Mixed Member Proportional, with preferential balloting, and with riding MLA voting in the legislature weighted according to riding population.	Whistler : June 3, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Rupert Merer	Discussion of frustrations of 35 years of voting in Ontario and B.C. Minority government is often seen as disadvantage of proportional representation. Brief discussion of merits of minority government.	Whistler : June 3, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Sara Jennings	Importance of proportional representation for individuals whose political views differ from the majority of those in their current riding.	Whistler : June 3, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Perron Stephane	I want to take this opportunity to voice my support for a proportionally based electoral system in BC and explain why.	Whistler : June 3, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Myson Effa	Not available.	Whistler : June 3, 2004 : Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 pm	
Debra (Debbie) DeMare	I will be commenting on which voting system I believe would work for B.C. In addition, I will be commenting on the need for such a change	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	

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Pat Adams		The political health of the Province depends on the ability of citizens to be represented by people of their choice, not necessarily from the "first past the post" candidate. Minorities and women are often under-represented in our current system. Change is needed to ensure equitable representation for all British Columbians."	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Tom Salley		Proportional Representation will better represent the people of BC	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John Pickford		The Merits and prevalence of proportional representation.	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Bruce Mack		a) Address problems without creating new ones. b) "Electoral Reform" may e too narrow a mandate	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
John Pickford		The merits and prevalence of proportional representation.	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	
Victor M. Young		The tyranny of the majority.	Williams Lake : June 19, 2004 : Saturday 1:30 to 4:30 pm	