

Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
Provincial Métis Council Meeting
August 19, 2008
Saskatoon Inn – Wig and Pen Room

Attendance: Allan Morin Vice President, Gabe Lafond Treasurer, Robert Lafontaine ER II A, Max Morin Secretary, Darlene McKay WR II, Robert Doucette President, Lennard Morin NR I, Bob McLeod WR IIA, Louis Gardiner NR III, Karen Larocque WR III, Beverly Worsley ER III, Helene Johnson ER II, Marlene Hanson NR II joins meeting at 9:45am.

Absent: Mavis Taylor WR I

Staff: Brian Kembel Métis Nation - Saskatchewan CEO, Colleen Palmer Métis Nation -

Saskatchewan Recording Secretary

Meeting Called to Order at: 9:28am

Opening Prayer

Agenda

Presented by Robert Doucette

Agenda items added

Northlands College – Lennard Morin

Environment Quality Control – Lennard Morin

SaskPower Corporation – Lennard Morin

Status of Arcola – Beverly Worsley

Northern Summer Games – Lennard Morin

GDI Board of Governors Appointees – Robert Doucette

New Breed Magazine – Robert Doucette

Métis Family Community Justice Services Board of Governors Appointees – Max Morin

Motion 08-19-001 To accept agenda as amended.

Motion made by Bob McLeod, Seconded by Helene Johnson, Carried

Tab 1 Review of previous PMC Meeting Minutes

Minutes read by Robert Doucette.

Motion 08-19-002 To adopt April 11 2008 PMC Minutes as read

Motion made by Louis Gardiner, Seconded by Gabe Lafond, Carried

Tab 2 Business arising from minutes

Action Item 08-19-001 PMC to review Human Resources Manual and make recommendations which will be presented for approval and/or ratification at the next PMC meeting.

Action Item 08-19-002 Request was made to send minutes a few days in advance so PMC members have a chance to review before meeting day.

Tab 3 State of the Nation Report

Presented by President Robert Doucette

Action Item 08-19-003 Letters to be sent to both levels of Government including the Municipalities outlining the position of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan. We will be seeking compensation for the families that were “kicked out” of the bombing range.

Motion 08-19-003 Direct the Provincial Métis Council to pursue the Primrose Bombing range issue on behalf of the Métis.

Motion made by Max Morin, Seconded by Bob McLeod,
2 against motion: Karen Larocque, Beverly Worsley
Carried

Northwest Land Claim

Decision was made to omit this item from the State of the Nation Report from the MNLA package.

Action Item 08-19-004 PMC to invite Frank Tuft and Bradley Jamieson to arrange a presentation regarding the Northwest Land Claim.

National Aboriginal Games

Lennard Morin – How were the Métis Youth selected? Were there any from Cumberland House at the games?

Louis Gardiner - The process was led by the FSIN which they have done for years. The information was sent to all the communities for try outs. Try outs were held and not many Métis attended. For the 2011 one of our goals is to ensure that we include more Métis delegation in coaching, management, chaperones, along with the athletes. We did have some athletes from Cumberland House make the teams, but some of them opted out to attend the Saskatchewan summer games in Lloydminster.

Recommendation – Lennard Morin paid the registration of \$500.00 for his grandson out of his own pocket. Lennard should send a letter to Louis Gardiner who will forward it to the appropriate party for re-imbursement.

Gabe - We need to start on a strategy so that the Métis Nation and communities will be more involved with the NAIG games.

Karen – There are bigger issues here, SaskSport will not provide funding due to past issues.

Action Item 08-19-005 Louis Gardiner to send a letter to Minister Christine Tell requesting a meeting with the Youth Committee and the Executive regarding capacity money.

Action Item 08-19-006 Louis Gardiner to provide a list of all Métis athletes who participate at NAIG.

Robert L – There may be funds available through Canadian Heritage for a Recreation Coordinator.

Action Item 08-19-007 Beverly Worsley is asking for assistance with the back taxes.

Métis National Council Committee Members

Communications – Robert Lafontaine

Métis Child – Helene Johnson

Environment – Allan Morin

Health – Darlene McKay

MAHRDA – Marlene Hansen

Youth Advisory – Louis Gardiner

Rights – Beverly Worsley

Heritage & Culture – Max Morin

National Research Committee – Bob McLeod, Karen Larocque

Technicians – Brian Kembel, Tavia Inkster

Technicians – Gabe Lafond, Lennard Morin, Billy Kennedy

Decision was made to table Roberts report until the end of the day.

Tab 6 Harvesting

Presented by Vice President Allan Morin

Every time Métis have been to court we have won, now the government is saying instead of going to court lets' negotiate. That is what we are doing regarding harvesting rights.

Action Item 08-19-008 Allan Morin to email all Area Directors MOU prior to the MNLA

Tab 7 Powley

Presented by Provincial Secretary Max Morin

First budget cannot exceed One (1) Million Dollars

Helene Johnson – Would like a presentation on how the MN-S would like Powley presented to the locals.

All Registry documentation should be on microfiche to prevent potential damage to documents so Métis citizens do not have to re-apply.

Tab 8 Treasurer's Report

Presented by Treasurer Gabe Lafond

MN-S is rebuilding credit and re-establishing Treasury Board Policy and Procedures.

MN-S is beginning to have discussions with the government regarding the gaming revenue sharing.

Decision was made to adjourn Provincial Métis Council Meeting so the Directors can take the Treasurer's Report home and review all income statements.

Motion 08-19-004 To appoint Linda Peterson to the Gabriel Dumont Institute Board of Governors.

Motion made by Marlene Hansen, Seconded by Louis Gardiner, Carried
Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm