MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN
PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 4 and 5, 2016

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting held March 4 and 5, 2016 in the Boardroom at the Holiday Inn Downtown (Saskatoon), Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

DATE: Friday, March 4, 2016

PRESENT:

Robert Doucette, President, Co-Chair
Gerald Morin, Vice-President
Helene Johnson, Co-Chair
Lela Arnold
Michael Bell
Earl Cook (arrived at 3:30 p.m.)
May Henderson
Chester Herman
Penny Hurton
Shelly Kapell
Billy Kennedy
Derek Langan
Tammy Mah
Glen McCallum
Darlene McKay
Lennard Morin

ALSO PRESENT:

Betty Ann Adam, Observer
Cecile Blanke, Observer
Monica Brunet, Clarence Campeau Development Fund (CCDF)
Ronald Duplessis, CCDF
Shannon Landrie-Crossland, Observer
Charlene Lavallee, Observer
Geordy McCaffrey, Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI)
Floyd McCallum, Observer
Joanne Parenteau, Observer
Mavis Taylor, Chief Executive Officer
Wayne Whitford, Observer

ERNST & YOUNG REPRESENTATIVES:

Michael Campbell, Ernst & Young (EY)
Joe Healey, EY
Evan Shoforost, EY

INAC REPRESENTATIVES:

Charles Marcoux, Regional Consultation Coordinator, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) (Saskatchewan)
Richard Quintal, Negotiator and Manager of Métis Relations, INAC

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

CALL TO ORDER

President Robert Doucette called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

WELCOMING COMMENTS AND OPENING PRAYER

President Doucette welcomed attendees to the meeting. Glen McCallum offered an Opening Prayer.

Confirmation of Quorum
President Doucette confirmed that quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Chester)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) approves the following Agenda for its March 4 and 5, 2016 meeting:

1. Appointment of Recording Secretary
2. Appointment of Co-Chairs
3. Ratification of Interim Eastern Region 3 Regional Director
4. Adoption of the February 19 and 20, 2016 MN-S PMC Meeting Minutes
   - 4.1 Review of Minutes
   - 4.2 Business Arising from the Minutes
5. Presentations from Affiliate Representatives
6. Financial Report (from EY and the Finance Committee)
7. INAC – Next Steps
8. Proposal/Budget Development 2016/2017
9. MN-S Corporate Registry
10. MNLA/Election Date
11. Other Business Items:
    - 11.1 Métis Local 42 - President Elections
    - 11.2 Letters to Locals and Regions
    - 11.3 Back to Batoche
    - 11.4 Presentation on Climate Issues (Kathy Hodgson-Smith)
12. Next PMC Meeting.

CARRIED
(May Henderson and Penny Hurton voted in opposition)

AGENDA VARIED
The order of the Agenda was varied during the meeting. Items are presented in these minutes, in the order in which they were considered.

1. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

It was MOVED (Glen McCallum) and SECONDED (Gerald Morin)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., as the Recording Secretary for the March 4 and 5, 2016 meeting.

CARRIED

2. APPOINTMENT OF CO-CHAIRS

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Lennard Morin)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Robert Doucette and Helene Johnson as Co-Chairs for the March 4 and 5, 2016 meeting.

CARRIED

3. RATIFICATION OF INTERIM EASTERN REGION 3 REGIONAL DIRECTOR

The minutes of the Eastern Region 3 meeting held February 27, 2016 in Fort Qu'Appelle were provided for information.

It was MOVED (Helene Johnson) and SECONDED (Gerald Morin)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council ratifies Shelly Kapell as Interim Regional Director for Eastern Region 3.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Action

Shelly Kapell agreed to seek clarification and report back at the next MN-S PMC Meeting regarding when Mary Yee and Chris Blondeau Perry were elected in Eastern Region 3.

4. ADOPTION OF THE MEETING MINUTES

4.1 Review of the Minutes

President and Co-Chair Doucette referred the meeting to the draft Minutes of the February 19 and 20, 2016 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meeting.

4.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

The meeting reviewed resolutions passed at the February 19 and 20, 2016 meeting, and discussed business (and other items) arising from the minutes.

During discussion on Item 6 (Portfolio Assignments), it was requested that the reference to "Métis Rights Panellist" adjacent to Helene Johnson's name, be removed; and that the reference to "Chair, Back to Batoche Committee" adjacent to Darlene McKay's name, be removed.

During discussion on Item 5 (Métis Nation Legislative Assembly), it was requested that the resolution setting a date for the 2016 MNLA be removed, given reconsideration of the requirements for holding an election, and advance notice needed to schedule the MNLA.

Change in Chair

At the request of President Doucette, Co-Chair Helene Johnson assumed the Chair at 2:20 p.m.

Discussion ensued on:

- Decisions made by the PMC based on consensus of the members present at the meeting
- The importance of inviting youth representatives to participate in the PMC's discussions
- A MN-S Human Resources Manual drafted in 1995
- The process for determining MN-S Youth Council members.

Change in Chair
President Doucette assumed the Chair at 2:52 p.m.

Recess
The meeting recessed at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened at 3:12 p.m.

It was MOVED (May Henderson) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council adopts the Minutes of the February 19 and 20, 2016 meeting, with the following revisions:

- On Page 9: omit the resolution "That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council set September 16 and 17, 2016 as the date for the 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly"; and
- On Page 10: omit the reference to Helene Johnson being "Métis Rights Panellist", and omit the reference to Darlene McKay being "Chair, Back to Batoche Committee".

CARRIED
(Penny Hurton abstained from the vote)

5. PRESENTATIONS FROM AFFILIATE REPRESENTATIVES

5.1 Clarence Campeau Development Fund (CCDF)

Roland Duplessis, Chief Executive Officer, CCDF, provided copies of a 2014 report on the socioeconomic impact of Métis entrepreneurship and economic development in Saskatchewan (see attached "List of Information Items"). He reviewed CCDF's objective to stimulate the economic development activities of Métis people and communities by providing equity for Métis businesses, support to community economic development initiative, and assistance for the development of the management skills of new and existing Métis business owners and entrepreneurs.

Mr. Duplessis further noted that:

- CCDF delivers approximately $5.1 million in community grants each year
- Efforts were made to access funding for capacity development in Métis communities
- The PMC selected CCDF Board members, from a short-list of candidates compiled by a committee of the CCDF Board.

Member Arrived
Earl Cook arrived at the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Discussion ensued on:

- A small portion of gaming profits CCDF received, through an operating agreement
- CCDF's past efforts with federal government to assist with capacity development
- Potential opportunities to negotiate with federal and provincial government for funding
- The establishment of the CCDF as a Métis development fund.

5.2 Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI)

Geordy McCaffrey, Executive Director, GDI, provided copies of GDI's Strategic Plan 2014-2017, the GDI 2014-2015 Annual Report, and information on the GDI 2016 Operations Report (see attached "List of Information Items"). He explained that GDI offers a variety of university-based training and education programs. GDI programs are provided in partnership with other educational institutions and incorporate a Métis cultural component.

Mr. McCaffrey further noted that:

- GDI's student training programs were matched up with labour market demands
- A part-time Masters of Education program was offered to students in Prince Albert
- GDI's Training and Employment Program was delivered through an agreement with federal government.

Discussion ensued on the limited access to scholarship/bursary funding for some programs (applications for funding could be discussed in advance at an appointment with a GDI counsellor).

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting held March 4 and 5, 2016 adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on March 4, 2016 after agreeing to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on March 5, 2016.

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DATE: Saturday, March 5, 2016

PRESENT:
Robert Doucette, President, Co-Chair (departed at 3:00 p.m.)
Gerald Morin, Vice-President
Helene Johnson, Co-Chair
Lela Arnold
Michael Bell
Earl Cook (departed at 11:50 a.m.)
May Henderson (departed at 3:00 p.m.)
Chester Herman
Penny Hurton (departed at 3:00 p.m.)
Shelly Kapell
Billy Kennedy
Derek Langan
Tammy Mah
Glen McCallum
Darlene McKay
Lennard Morin

ALSO PRESENT:
Cecile Blanke, Observer
Kathy Hodgson-Smith, Presenter
Shirley Isbister, Observer
Shannon Landrie-Crossland, Observer
Charlene Lavallee, Observer
Geordy McCaffrey, Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI)
Mavis Taylor, Chief Executive Officer

ERNST & YOUNG REPRESENTATIVES:
Michael Campbell, Ernst & Young (EY)
Joe Healey, EY
Evan Shoforost, EY

INAC REPRESENTATIVES:
Charles Marcoux, Regional Consultation Coordinator, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) (Saskatchewan)
Richard Quintal, Negotiator and Manager of Métis Relations, INAC

RECORDING SECRETARY:
Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

CALL TO ORDER
President Robert Doucette called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Confirmation of Quorum
President Doucette confirmed that quorum was established.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT (from EY and the Finance Committee)

Request for Action
Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, was requested to communicate with Darlene McKay and Richard Quintal, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, to ensure expenses incurred by the Prince Albert Women's Group for PMC-related activities were reimbursed accordingly. Ms. McKay agreed to submit receipts for these expenses directly to Mr. Shoforost (estimated to exceed $4,000).

Evan Shoforost and Joe Healey, Ernst & Young (EY), reviewed the information contained in the on-table binder provided (see attached "List of Information Items"), and commented on:

- Preliminary estimates of the financial assets and liabilities of the MN-S Secretariat Inc., Provincial Métis Holdco, and MN-S Secretariat Inc. (Batoche)
- Further financial information being collected and refined, to assist in recommending how the organization should proceed
- Continued efforts to obtain the Provincial Métis Holdco's corporate minute book.

Request for Action
It was requested that Richard Quintal, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, inquire with Heritage Canada (or the appropriate office), to determine the feasibility of the Batoche lands being designated as a national park.

Request for Action
It was requested that Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, seek written confirmation from the electrical company that indicated they had written off an amount owed by the MN-S, for services provided at a prior Back to Batoche event.

Recess
The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Change in Chair
At the request of President Doucette, Co-Chair Johnson assumed the Chair at 11:10 a.m.

During further discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- References in the MN-S Constitution to the MNLA determining the MN-S budget, based on recommendations from the PMC
- The involvement of the MN-S legal advisor as required
- The MN-S Executive's prior receipt of remuneration.

Change in Chair
President Doucette assumed the Chair at 11:15 a.m.

Richard Quintal, Negotiator and Manager of Métis Relations, INAC, commended the PMC for proceeding collaboratively on the path forward. He recognized the value of the MN-S library and artefacts to the Métis Nation, and suggested there may be an opportunity for Canada to work with another Governing Member to protect these assets, while alleviating some of the MN-S' current issues.

Member Departed
Earl Cook departed the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Recess
The meeting recessed at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

7. INAC – NEXT STEPS

Mr. Quintal led the meeting in a discussion on "Next Steps" and commented on:

- The need for a positive communications strategy to convey the organization's path forward
- Coordinating a funding proposal prior to March 31, 2016, to prevent a lapse in service from Ernst & Young
- Next phases leading up to the MNLA and the MN-S Election.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding the feasibility of reallocating funds designated in the agreement between EY and MN-S for a "Mediator", to cover other budgetary requirements (in compliance with the terms and conditions of the agreement).

In response to questions raised, Mr. Quintal noted that a funding proposal for EY to provide core services until the 2016 MN-S Election could be drafted for MN-S' consideration.

Change in Chair
At the request of President Doucette, Co-Chair Johnson assumed the Chair at 1:20 p.m.

During further discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- The PMC agreeing to a date for the 2016 MNLA
- Potentially basing the 2016 MN-S Election process on the 2007 MN-S Election process
- The collaborative role of the Finance Committee and EY in determining how to proceed to protect the organization financially prior to the MNLA.

President Doucette requested to be invited to participate in Finance Committee meetings.

8. PROPOSAL/BUDGET DEVELOPMENT 2016/2017

This item was discussed under Item 7.

9. MN-S CORPORATE REGISTRY

Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, referred the meeting to the Corporate Registry "Notice of Directors" lists, provided in the on-table binder.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- Direction needed from the PMC to change the Corporate Registry "Notice of Directors" list
- Advice needed from the Corporate Solicitor to assist PMC members in determining whether to include their names on the "Notice of Directors" of the organization
- The prior appointment of Jay Watson, as the PMC's Corporate Solicitor
- The Métis Act's recognition that the PMC is the Board of Directors of the MN-S.

Request for Action

Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, agreed to contact Jay Watson, Corporate Solicitor: to seek direction on the process for removing Janice Henry, Bryan Lee and Alex Morin from the Corporate Registry "Notice of Directors" list; and to request a written legal opinion on the implications of PMC members excluding their names from the Corporate Registry "Notice of Directors" list. Mr. Shoforost further agreed to promptly email the Corporate Solicitor's written response to PMC members.

10. MNLA / ELECTION DATE

The meeting acknowledged discussions at the February 19 and 20, 2016 meeting, regarding a date for the 2016 MNLA. As an election was required within four years of the previous election, the 2016 MN-S Election should occur prior to September 8, 2016.

Recess

The meeting recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2:15 p.m.

During further discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- The feasibility of scheduling the MNLA on July 30 and 31, 2016
- Sufficient time required to prepare for the MNLA
- The previous decision made to hold the MNLA in Yorkton.

It was MOVED (Derek Langan) and SECONDED (Billy Kennedy)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council set July 30 and 31, 2016 as the dates for the 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly.

CARRIED

(President Doucette, May Henderson and Penny Hurton voted in opposition)

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council set September 3, 2016 as the date for the 2016 MN-S Election, with advance polls scheduled on August 27, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. OTHER BUSINESS (*Items on the Approved Agenda and Additional Items*)

11.1 Presentation on Climate Issues

Kathy Hodgson-Smith provided copies of the March 3, 2016 report titled "Vancouver Declaration on Clean Growth and Climate Change", and an Environment and Climate Change Canada presentation titled "Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change", and commented on:

- Climate-related agreements entered into by Canada
- The intent that provinces could expand on the Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change
- Participation of MNC, Assembly of First Nations (AFN) and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK) representatives at a March 2, 2016 meeting with the Premiers and the Prime Minister (an outcomes document was forthcoming)
- A carbon credit process being negotiated to benefit projects designed to reduce carbon
- The MNC's submission of a proposal for environmental support and for full time consultation money.

10. MNLA / ELECTION DATE (Continued)

Before departing the meeting, President Doucette explained that he, May Henderson and Penny Hurton might have been flexible on the resolution that confirmed the dates for the 2016 MNLA, however they did not support Yorkton as the MNLA location.

Members Departed

President Doucette, May Henderson and Penny Hurton departed the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Change in Chair

Co-Chair Johnson assumed the Chair at 3:00 p.m.

Confirmation of Quorum

Co-Chair Johnson confirmed that quorum was established.

11.2 Letters to Locals and Regions

Mavis Taylor, CEO, distributed a list to each PMC member indicating contact information for the locals and other representatives in their regions, and requested that corrections be submitted to her promptly so that communications could be sent out. It was noted that letters would be sent requesting an updated list of each local's board members.

11.3 Métis Local 42 - President Elections

Lennard Morin expressed concerns that the Mayor and Council of Cumberland wanted to call an election for Métis Local 42. The meeting referred to Article 7 of the Constitution, noting that only the Executive of the Local could call an election.

11.4 MN-S Website

Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, reported that the web designers had taken the MN-S website down, as payment for their services was outstanding. The web designers requested approval from the PMC to discuss the MN-S' account with EY, which could be confirmed by sharing a portion of the agreement between EY and the MN-S.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- Using the MN-S website to convey information on upcoming MN-S events
- Tasking the MNLA Committee to focus on reinstating the MN-S website
- Developing a communications strategy for changes or additions required to the website (i.e. the list of PMC members requires updating, the revised Constitution should be posted).

7. INAC – NEXT STEPS (Continued)

Mr. Quintal noted that:

- The Minister will be informed regarding the PMC's discussions and how they had progressed
- A funding proposal could be drafted to retain EY for an interim period of three months
- Canada was keen to work together in partnership and to collaborate on moving forward.

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council supports INAC drafting, prior to March 31, 2016, a three-month interim funding proposal inclusive of high level objectives, deliverables and outcomes, to retain Ernst & Young beyond March 31, 2016.

CARRIED

Members agreed that while the proposal was being processed, the PMC could move forward in preparing for the MNLA. The Finance Committee could continue to meet (via teleconference).

11.5 Support for La Loche Programs

It was MOVED (Chester Herman) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council supports Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada working closely with the Métis citizens of La Loche and moving forward with programs in the community, given their extenuating circumstances.

CARRIED

Recess

The meeting recessed at 3:40 p.m. and reconvened at 3:50 p.m.

11.6 MNC Registry Meeting / CSA Standing Committee

Vice President Morin reported that elected person and a technician from the MN-S had been invited to participate at the June 22, 2016 MNC Registry Meeting in Vancouver. Additionally, the technician was requested to participate on the CSA Standing Committee.

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council directs that:

a) Chester Herman attend the June 22, 2016 MNC Registry Meeting in Vancouver as the MN-S elected representative; and
b) Karen Larocque be invited to attend the June 22, 2016 MNC Registry Meeting in Vancouver as the MN-S technical representative, and to also participate on the CSA Standing Committee.

CARRIED

11.7 Youth Representatives' Meeting

Vice President Morin reported that he and Billy Kennedy were working towards convening a meeting of youth representatives. He suggested that two youth representatives from each region and two additional youth representatives, be invited to attend the meeting (a total of 26). The meeting could select one youth representative to sit at the MN-S PMC table, and four youth representatives to attend the MNLA.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- The importance of including a youth representative on the MN-S PMC
- Asking the Clarence Campeau Development Fund, Gabriel Dumont Institute or other organization to contribute to bringing at least one representative from each region to the youth meeting
- Opportunities for youth representatives to meet via Skype.

Request for Action

Vice President Morin agreed to keep the MN-S PMC informed of any updates regarding the youth representatives' meeting.

11.8 Back To Batoche

Members acknowledged that Darlene McKay was designated Chair, Back to Batoche Committee and that the finances related to Back to Batoche would be managed by EY. It was suggested that a Facebook page be dedicated to Back to Batoche to provide information on the event.

Request for Action

Darlene McKay agreed to communicate with Terry Bird, K+S, in response to his offer to provide services at Batoche.

Request for Action

It was requested that Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, arrange for letters to be sent to MN-S affiliates, confirming the resolution passed designating Darlene McKay as Chair, Back to Batoche Committee, providing contact information for Ms. McKay, and indicating the dates of Back to Batoche 2016.

PMC members agreed to volunteer to assist as needed on the Back to Batoche Committee. Derek Langan offered to participate on the Back to Batoche Committee. It was noted that a tenant in the house at Batoche would be evicted to accommodate space for organizing the Back to Batoche events.

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council supports Darlene McKay, Chair, Back to Batoche Committee, in accessing business support funding and community grant funding, for Back to Batoche 2016.

CARRIED

Request for Action

It was requested that an invitation be extended to Prime Minster Trudeau to attend Back to Batoche 2016.

It was MOVED (Chester Herman) and SECONDED (Gerald Morin)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) hereby directs that:

- Darlene McKay, Chair, Back to Batoche Committee, begin preparing for 2016 Back to Batoche Days;
- Thirty (30) days written "Notice to Vacate" be provided to those residing in the house on the Batoche grounds owned by the Métis Nation (including direction to remove all farm implements and machinery the residents are storing on the site), as the house will be required as a meeting/working space for those appointed by the Chair to be in charge of Batoche; and further
- That the Chair of the Back to Batoche Committee, also look into the prospect of renovating and residing in the home for the 2016 summer.

CARRIED

11.9 Appointment to MN-S Commission on Governance Report and Citizenship

Vice President Morin acknowledged that an appointment to the MN-S Commission on Governance Report and Citizenship was required.

Request for Action

It was requested that Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young, review the "Accountability Resolution", review the mandate of the MN-S Commission on Governance Report and Citizenship, pursue the most updated version of the MN-S Human Resources Manual, and ensure the MN-S corporate minute book is up to date.

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Derek Langan)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) appoints Chester Herman to the MN-S Commission on Governance Reform and Citizenship, replacing former PMC member Bev Worsley.

CARRIED

11.10 Appointment of Additional Delegates for the March 30 and 31, 2016 MNC Policy Conference

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) designates the following five additional PMC members to attend the March 30 and 31, 2016 MNC Policy Conference in Vancouver: Robert Doucette, May Henderson, Shelly Kapell, Darlene McKay, and Penny Hurton.

CARRIED

Request for Action

It was requested that the Recording Secretary convey to Vice President Morin (through Ernst & Young) the following list of PMC members designated to attend the March 30 and 31, 2016 Policy Conference in Vancouver: Lela Arnold, Earl Cook, Robert Doucette, May Henderson,

Chester Herman, Penny Hurton, Helene Johnson, Shelly Kapell, Billy Kennedy, Derek Langan, Glen McCallum, Darlene McKay, Tammy Mah, Gerald Morin, and Lennard Morin.

11.11 MN-S Library and Other Assets

Members discussed the potential to resolve some financial issues through the sale of MN-S library materials and/or other assets to another Métis organization.

Mr. Quintal noted that consideration could be given to determining whether there was an opportunity to sell the MN-S library materials and artefacts to another Métis organization (excluding genealogy information). He offered to communicate with the Métis Nation of Alberta and the Manitoba Metis Federation regarding the collection. Any proposals received would be reviewed at the next PMC meeting.

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Derek Langan)

That given the value of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) collection of historic artefacts and the MN-S' current financial situation, the MN-S Provincial Métis Council (PMC) requests that Richard Quintal, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, seek proposals from other provincial Métis organizations to purchase the MN-S' historic assets excluding genealogy information (as listed in the catalogues presented to the MN-S PMC on March 4, 2016), providing that the items be made accessible to the MN-S and Métis across the homeland.

CARRIED

(Tammy Mah voting in opposition)

12. NEXT PMC MEETING

Request for Action

It was agreed that the next PMC meeting be held April 16 and 17, 2016 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

13. CLOSING COMMENTS

Members commended the relationship established with Ernst & Young and the PMC's consensus on the direction of the MN-S and efforts towards the MNLA. INAC and other officials were also commended for their guidance and contributions to the future of the organization.

CONCLUSION

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meeting held March 4 and 5, 2016 concluded on March 5, 2016 at 4:50 p.m.

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LIST OF INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items were provided for information at the meeting:

- In the white binder:
  - Preliminary estimates of the financial assets and liabilities (of the MN-S Secretariat, Provincial Métis Holdco and MN-S (Batoche)
  - Cash disbursement journals for the MN-S Secretariat Inc., the Provincial Métis Holdco Inc. and the MN-S Secretariat (Batoche)
  - Book catalogues (of items in the "Library Room" and the "File Room")
  - Trust account information (including a transaction list provided by The W Law Group LLP and a summary of the transactions list compiled by EY)
  - Director information (showing changes made to the registered list of Directors for the MN-S Secretariat Inc. since 2002)
- On-table items:
  - Minutes of the Eastern Region 3 Meeting held February 27, 2016 in Fort Qu'Appelle
  - Report titled "Nurturing our Culture, Preparing Our Future", Gabriel Dumont Institute Strategic Plan 2014-2017, Gabriel Dumont Institute of Native Studies and Applied Research
  - Gabriel Dumont Institute, 2014-2015 Annual Report
  - Printed copy of the overhead presentation titled "Gabriel Dumont Institute, Provincial Métis Council Meeting, 2016 Operations Report"
  - Northern Research Group Inc. report titled "Métis Procurement in Saskatchewan: A Policy Perspective"
  - Northern Research Group Inc. report titled "Métis Community Business Capacity Assessment Program, background Report and Consolidated Results"
  - Report titled "Independent Evaluation of Clarence Campeau Development Fund – MNP LLP and Socioeconomic Impact of Métis Entrepreneurship and Economic Development in Saskatchewan – Northern Research Group Inc." dated November 2014
  - Report titled "Vancouver Declaration on Clean Growth and Climate Change"
  - Environment and Climate Change Canada presentation titled "Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change"