



MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN
PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
held January 12-13, 2019

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Regular Meeting held January 12-13, 2019 in the Wapiti Room at the Elk Ridge Resort, Highway 264, Waskesiu Drive, Waskesiu, Saskatchewan.

PRESENT:

Glen McCallum, President, Chair
Gerald Morin, Vice-President
Earl Cook, Treasurer
Lisa McCallum, Secretary
Jaycee Bell, Youth Council
Mervin “Tex” Bouvier, Northern Region 3
Marg Friesen, Eastern Region 3
Wendy Gervais, Western Region 3

Penny Hurton, Western Region 2A
Billy Kennedy, Western Region 1A
Derek Langan, Eastern Region 2A
Sherry McLennan, Western Region 2
Tammy Mah, Les Filles des Madeleine
Leonard Montgrand, Northern Region 2
Sherry Soll, Eastern Region 2

ALSO PRESENT: *(As observed or indicated on a circulated sign-in sheet)*

Michael Bell, Observer
Val Bell, Observer
Lloyd Bishop, Métis Veteran
Albert Caisse, Observer
William Caisse, Observer
Mark Calette, Director of Administration
Butch Durocher, MN-S Office
Norman Fleury, Métis Elder
Sandy Friesen, Observer
Ron Langan, Observer
Brandy Laronde, Office Manager
Floyd McCallum, Observer

Verna McCallum, Observer
Alex Maurice, Métis Veteran
Brennan Merasty, MN-S Office
Dorothy Myo, Director of Policy and Research
Adel Panahi, Director of Health
Angela Poitras, Observer
Richard Quintal, Chief Executive Officer
Greg Ross, Director of Housing
Louise Simard, Transition Team
Reina Sinclair, Director of Environment
Mavis Taylor, Youth Director
Tammy Vallee, Director of Registry

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

Charles Marcoux, Senior Consultation Advisor, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs
Canada (CIRNAC)
Arash Rasekhi-Nejad, Manager, Métis Relations, CIRNAC

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

AGENDA VARIED

The order of the Agenda was varied throughout the meeting. Items are indicated in these minutes in the order in which they were considered.

GRAND ENTRY

The meeting commenced with a Grand Entry procession led by Provincial Métis Veterans bearing the flags of Canada, the Métis Nation, and the Province of Saskatchewan.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President McCallum called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and confirmed a quorum was present.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Elder Norman Fleury offered an Opening Prayer. President Glen McCallum commended the accomplishments of the MN-S during recent years, and thanked federal government representatives in attendance, for their ongoing support.

3. APPOINTMENT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)

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

CARRIED (190112-01)

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Vice President Gerald Morin referred the meeting to the agenda provided.

It was MOVED (Leonard Montgrand) and SECONDED (Sherry McLennan)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) adopts the following Agenda for its meeting scheduled January 12-13, 2019:

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Approval of the Recording Secretary
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Review of the Previous Minutes
 - 5.1 Approval of the Minutes
 - 5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes
6. New Staff - Introductions
 - 6.1 Mark Calette, Director of Administration
 - 6.2 Dorothy Myo, Director of Research and Policy
7. Ministerial Reports:
 - 7.1 Updates
 - 7.2 UPIP
 - 7.3 Batoche 2019
 - 7.4 Update on Signed / Pending Agreements
 - 7.5 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities
8. Budget Update / Local Budgets
9. MNLA 2019

10. Métis Women (In-Camera)
11. Other Business:
 - 11.1 2021 Elders Gathering
 - 11.2 Batoche Infrastructure – CCDF
 - 11.3 Health Research Resolution
 - 11.4 Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI) Appointments
 - 11.5 Western Region 3 Appointment
 - 11.6 Métis Veterans / Dumont Scout Protocol
12. In-Camera Session:
 - 12.1 Human Resources Committee Update
13. Communications
14. Next Meeting
15. Conclusion / Closing Prayer.

CARRIED (190112-02)

5. REVIEW OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 Approval of the Minutes

Secretary Lisa McCallum read aloud the resolutions included in the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 26, 2018.

It was MOVED (Leonard Montgrand) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)

That the Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MNS) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Regular Meeting held October 26, 2018, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED (190112-03)

5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

No items were discussed.

6. NEW STAFF - INTRODUCTIONS

Richard Quintal, Chief of Staff, introduced the following recently hired MN-S employees:

- Mark Calette, Director of Administration
- Dorothy Myo, Director of Research and Policy.

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- Hiring decisions made for the MN-S office
- The MN-S' transition from a "non-profit organization" structure to a "government" structure
- A MN-S Human Resources and Administration Policy Manual being drafted for presentation at a future PMC meeting.

Health Break

The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

It was MOVED (Lisa McCallum) and SECONDED (Derek Langan)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approve the hiring of Mark Calette, Director of Administration and Dorothy Myo, Director of Research and Policy.

DEFEATED

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Leonard Montgrand)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council accept and welcome Mark Calette, Director of Administration and Dorothy Myo, Director of Research and Policy to the MN-S.

CARRIED (190112-04)

(One member voted in opposition)

6.2 Introduction - Dorothy Myo, Director of Research and Policy

Ms. Myo introduced herself, commented on her background and experience, and affirmed that the goals of the MN-S would guide her work. She agreed to meet with each of the Ministers to discuss their directions and the coordinated management of their portfolios.

8. BUDGET UPDATE / LOCAL BUDGETS

Mr. Quintal reviewed the basic governance funding required to support the MN-S in moving toward self-government, including funding to manage the MN-S portfolios. Additional comments were offered on:

- Discussions with federal government related to funding to enable the MN-S to move forward
- Budget 2018 funding related to housing, early learning and child care, post-secondary, etc. for which agreements, terms and conditions had been drafted
- The MN-S' portion of funding negotiated by the MNC, including for:
 - Basic organizational capacity, economic development (agreements were signed)
 - Health, child and family services, housing, ELCC (agreements may be pending)
- An agreement with the Province of Saskatchewan supporting climate-based monitoring in Métis communities
- Seeking direction from the PMC, when the anticipated funding is received.

6.1 Introduction - Mark Calette, Director of Administration

Mr. Calette commented on his professional experience, and reviewed his past involvement with Batoche, the management of historic sites, and other matters (i.e. duty to consult, engagement).

7. MINISTERIAL REPORTS

7.1 Updates

7.1.1 Ministry of Education - Update

Related information: Report to the PMC from Dr. Earl Cook, Minister of Education, dated January 9, 2019

Earl Cook, Minister of Education, referred to the report provided and offered commented on:

- A discussion with the Saskatchewan Minister of Advanced Education, at which support was offered to proceed with activities that supported the labour market
- Meetings held with representatives of the University of Regina, at which discussions ensued

- on potentially establishing a Métis Research Chair within the Faculty of Education
- The National Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care Framework
- A Métis Endowment Funding Agreement signed with federal government, valued at \$2.5 million in scholarships and bursaries for Métis post-secondary students
- The Gabriel Dumont Institute's building expansion anticipated to complete by mid-2019
- Communications between the MN-S and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education.

7.2 Urban Programming for Indigenous Peoples (UPIP)

Arash Rasekhi-Nejad, Policy and Program Officer, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) commented on:

- UPIP's anticipated discussions on submissions from the Métis Nation Governing Members
- Flexible multi-year agreements designed to enable funds to be rolled over (i.e. funding previously scheduled to be spent by March 2019 can be rolled over).

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- Informing Regional Directors of upcoming MN-S activities or visits, in their respective regions
- Efforts by GDI's Dumont Technical Institute (DTI) to meet with regions and locals to discuss programs, and support connectivity with communities
- Recent federal taxation changes, which may have impacted PMC members' December 2018 pay; clarification will be sent to the PMC, explaining the changes.

Request for Action

It was requested that a list of board appointments the MN-S provides, be sent to the PMC along with information related to the process for the appointments (i.e. GDI, etc.)

Request for Action

Secretary McCallum agreed to promptly send her email address to Penny Hurton.

Health Break

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

7.1.2 Ministry of Health - Update

Related information: Report titled "Minister of Health Report, Marg Friesen"

Marg Friesen, Minister of Health, introduced Adel Panahi, Interim Director of Health, confirmed his role with the MN-S, and reviewed his involvement in a cancer project at the Royal University Hospital. Mr. Panahi's contract was funded by previously received health research funds.

Minister Friesen reviewed activities and projects included in her report, and highlighted:

- Partnership building with the Saskatchewan Health Authority, Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, University of Saskatchewan and the Government of Saskatchewan:
 - The MN-S will hold its own research funds in the future and may work closely with the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the University of Saskatchewan
- A \$600,000 agreement negotiated with the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC):
 - MN-S received the first installment in December 2018
 - A community meeting in March 2019 will inform citizens regarding the agreement
- Objectives of a Network Environments for Indigenous Health Research (NEIHR) grant, to build

a joint Indigenous health research centre, governed by the MN-S and the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN)

- A multi-year research and development program with the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) / Métis Mental Health and Addiction Program
- Ongoing efforts with the Métis National Council (MNC) Health Committee; a Joint Health Committee meeting was held with federal government representatives
- A meeting on “Embracing Life”, coordinated by the Northern Suicide Prevention Strategy.

7.5 MOU with the Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities

Related information: MOU titled “Working Toward Inclusive Communities” between the MNS and Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc., dated November 2018

During discussion on the MOU presented, comments were offered on:

- Improving programs and service delivery in collaboration with the Saskatchewan Health Authority, to assist Métis citizens with disabilities
- A suicide prevention conference scheduled at the end of March 2019
- Efforts towards accessible, adequate and affordable housing to support the health of Métis seniors, and citizens with disabilities
- Discussions on the need for long-term care facilities and seniors’ homes, with funding potentially through the Métis Economic Development Strategy (MEDS), in collaboration with the MN-S Ministry of Housing and Ministry of Economic Development.

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Mervin “Tex” Bouvier)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council supports the Memorandum of Understanding on “Working Toward Inclusive Communities, with the Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc.”, being signed by Marg Friesen, Minister of Health.

CARRIED (190112-05)

7.1.3 Ministry of Housing - Update

Related information: Report titled “Process of Doing a Needs Assessment and Providing a Model of Governance for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan”, prepared by Greg Ross

Greg Ross, Interim Director of Housing, introduced himself and provided comments on:

- His contractual role with the MN-S, and preparations towards the establishment of a long term “Director of Housing” position
- A focus on “evidenced-based initiatives” anchored to measurable outcomes
- A survey being prepared seeking feedback on housing needs, to identify priorities, determine where progress has been achieved, and support a framework for a MN-S housing plan
- The intent to compile survey responses in a report for the PMC’s consideration.

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- Requesting survey responses (approximately 24 questions) within four to six weeks
- Broadly distributing the survey, to solicit as many responses as possible
- Potentially preparing a follow-up survey to seek specific technical information, if needed
- Seeking input from community housing organizations (i.e. Prince Albert Community Housing, SaskHousing, etc.), non-Métis housing programs in Saskatchewan and Area Directors, on

potential housing approaches

- Agreements required before funding any organization to provide services to Métis citizens (i.e. affirming deliverables, reporting requirements, monitoring, and potentially dividends)
- The April 2019 conclusion of funding to the Provincial Métis Housing Corporation
- Integrating housing with post-secondary education and economic development initiatives
- The “A Place to Call Home” program, which encouraged tenants to maintain their homes.

It was noted that after completion of a needs assessment, a strategic plan could identify priorities, and outcomes could be defined.

Health Break

The meeting recessed at 2:45 p.m. and reconvened at 3:00 p.m.

7.1.4 Minister of the MN-S Registry - Update

Related information:

- “Registry 2018 Activities Update – April 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018”
- “MN-S Provincial Citizenship Registry History (2009-2019)”

Wendy Gervais, Minister of the MN-S Registry, reviewed the report provided and commented on:

- The importance of the citizenship registry, as a basis for funding
- Averaging approximately 147 new registrations per month (12 per region)
- Reviving registry efforts in dormant locals, at upcoming community engagement sessions
- Signing MOUs with each regional office, after determining their unique needs.

Tammy Vallee, Director of Registry, reported that:

- 6,193 Métis citizens were now registered with the MN-S
- Since the Ministry’s renewed involvement, over 1,800 applications had been processed.

Comments were offered on tasking Registry Clerks to support their Regional Directors, if/when there were no registry applications requiring attention.

It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Sherry McLennan)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council (PMC) directs that members of the PMC visit their respective registration offices and register for their citizenship cards.

CARRIED (190112-06)

7.1.5 Ministry of Sports, Recreation and Culture - Update

Related information:

- Report titled “Métis Nation Sports, Recreation and Culture”, dated January 11, 2019
- “Agreement between the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations and the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan”

Billy Kennedy, Minister of Sports, Recreation and Culture, referred the meeting to the information provided and commented on:

- A Métis hockey tournament in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan (in February 2019)
- A MOU prepared with the FSIN intended to affirm the relationship with the MN-S, potentially

with some financial support for Métis-specific activities.

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- Potentially setting up a MN-S Registry Booth at upcoming events (i.e. the hockey tournament)
- The next North American Indigenous Games scheduled in 2020.

7.1.6 Ministry of Economic Development - Update

Related information: Report titled “MN-S Economic Development Ministers Report”, dated January 11, 2019

Leonard Montgrand, Minister of Economic Development, referred the meeting to the report provided, which included updates on SaskMetis Economic Development Corporation, the Métis Assistance Program, and the Clarence Campeau Development Fund.

7.1.7 Ministry of Environment - Update

Related information: Report titled “MNS Environment”, dated January 12, 2019

Reina Sinclair, Director of Environment, referenced engagement sessions held throughout the province and commented on:

- The first phase of the engagement process, which involved visiting all 12 regions; the next phase will bring together youth and Elders to review the data gathered
- Involving the Province of Saskatchewan, which prompted some financial support
- Efforts towards establishing a relationship with local industry (i.e. Carrier Lumber).

7.1.8 Ministry of Heritage and Language - Update

Related information: Report titled “MNS – Heritage and Language”, dated January 12, 2019

Sherry Soll, Minister of Heritage and Language, commented on:

- November 1-2, 2018 meetings on the revitalization and promotion of languages
- GDI's efforts with the MN-S to encourage the use of traditional languages in Métis homes
- Potentially establishing a cultural centre at the Batoche site, incorporating classrooms, a museum, language stations, etc.; a submission for capital funding may be prepared
- A meeting attended with Elder Norman Fleury at the First Nations University of Canada, at which holding the 2021 National Métis Elders Gathering in Regina was supported.

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- Funding secured in 2009, to establish a Bed and Breakfast at Batoche, which was sent back due to the MN-S' inability to move proceed with the project at that time
- The April 22 – May 3, 2019 United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), focussed on “Traditional knowledge: generation, transmission and protection”, at which efforts towards the protection of Michif, would be highlighted.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 2021 Elders Gathering

It was MOVED (Billy Kennedy) and SECONDED (Mervin “Tex” Bouvier)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MNS) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) supports bringing the 2021 National Métis Elders Gathering to Regina, Saskatchewan.

CARRIED (190112-07)

7.1.9 Ministry of Tourism - Update

President McCallum offered comments on the establishment of the MN-S Ministry of Tourism, and commented on:

- Potentially designing tourism opportunities to highlight Métis experiences, including day schools, historic sites, etc.
- Contacting the provincial Tourism Saskatchewan office, for additional support.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Regular Meeting held January 12-13, 2019 adjourned on January 12, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. after agreeing to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on January 13, 2019.

MEETING RECONVENED

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Regular Meeting held January 12-13, 2019 reconvened on January 13, 2019 at approximately 9:10 a.m.

8. BUDGET UPDATE / LOCAL BUDGETS (Continued)

Mr. Quintal confirmed that the Chief Financial Officer would be providing updated financial statements and budget information to the PMC.

The PMC was reminded that capacity funding applications for local budgets should be submitted to the Chief Financial Officer. Comments were offered on:

- Inconsistent processes followed, related to the management of funds received by locals
- Locals' ability to request capacity funding retroactively (for reimbursements of expenses).

Request for Action

It was requested that the Minister of Finance and the Finance Committee prepare a process for the Regional Chairs, explaining how funds allocated to Locals and Regions must be managed and accounted for.

It was confirmed that arrangements had been made to enable direct paycheque deposits. Direct deposits for expenses, were forthcoming.

7.3 Batoche 2019

Sherry McLennan, Minister of Batoche, confirmed that Batoche 2018 was well-attended, and that discussions had ensued in preparation for Batoche 2019, scheduled July 18-21, 2019.

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- Potentially retaining a professional organization to coordinate Batoche 2019, in collaboration

- with the Minister of Batoche and the Director of Administration
- A request submitted by Métis Veteran Alex Maurice to Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Cold Lake for a fly-by on July 19, 2019
- The feasibility of leasing out the Batoche site for other activities (i.e. music festivals):
 - Until a policy or procedure is developed with costs and criteria for leasing the site, requests could be submitted to the MN-S office for consideration
 - Profits from leasing out the site could potentially be allocated for site improvements.

Request for Action

It was requested that the Minister of Finance, Minister of Batoche and the Director of Administration collaboratively develop a policy outlining processes and requirements for renting out the Batoche site (i.e. retaining liability insurance, etc.).

9. MNLA 2019

Mr. Quintal welcomed discussion on the next Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA), which prompted comments on:

- Potentially focussing the 2019 MNLA on three pre-determined topics (i.e. housing, etc.)
- A three-day MNLA, with two days dedicated to facilitated topic-specific group discussions:
 - Notes could be taken during each of the group discussions
 - Each group could prepare resolutions for consideration on the third day, by the full governing body
- Potentially holding the General Assembly separately, at a later date.

During discussion on the structure of the MNLA, comments were offered on:

- Assigning a Resolutions Committee to receive resolutions during the MNLA
- Seeking Co-Chairs for the MNLA, from within Saskatchewan
- Sending the MNLA notice to delegates a month in advance, explaining the new MNLA format
- Reviewing unaudited financial statements at the MNLA (audited statements are not available until July 2019)
- The intent to livestream the MNLA; over 1,600 citizens watched the 2018 MNLA.

During discussion on future MN-S meetings, comments were offered on:

- Potentially scheduling MN-S meetings well in advance:
 - PMC meetings every two months
 - General Assemblies (each summer)
 - MNLAs twice a year (in the spring and fall).

10:10 a.m.

Tammy Mah left the meeting.

It was MOVED (Glen McCallum) and SECONDED (Billy Kennedy)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council directs that the next Métis Nation Legislative Assembly be held April 12-14, 2019, at a location to be determined by MN-S staff, based on location availability, cost efficiency, and other logistical matters.

CARRIED (190113-01)

(Tammy Mah was absent for the vote)

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.2 Batoche Infrastructure - CCDF

It was MOVED (Billy Kennedy) and SECONDED (Penny Hurton)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council directs that the Clarence Campeau Development Fund be requested to contribute \$125,000 to Batoche 2019 for infrastructure improvements.

CARRIED (190113-02)

(Tammy Mah was absent for the vote)

11.3 Health Research Resolution

Related information: “Proposed Resolution – Resolution on Process for Community-Based Health Research”

During discussion on the draft resolution submitted, comments were offered on:

- Benefits of collecting data (to be owned by the MN-S) to influence improvements to health service delivery and the health and wellness of Métis citizens
- Synchronizing efforts to gather data, with the assistance of a research team
- Benefits of the Ownership, Control, Access and Possession (OCAP™)¹ model
- Ensuring that legal and privacy rights are acknowledged
- The importance of protecting the ownership and privacy of information through an agreement or other means.

PMC members were encouraged to forward to the Director of Research and Policy, any prior Métis-specific policies or procedures they may have access to (i.e. a previously prepared Métis-specific suicide prevention model).

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Mervin “Tex” Bouvier)

WHEREAS the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan (MN-S) moves forward, it is important to determine the health status of Métis people, using indicators of health developed specifically by Métis people, and to develop strategies that improve the health of Métis people that are based in Métis culture and values;

WHEREAS health statistics for Métis in Saskatchewan are unknown due to a lack of data collection regarding Métis health in the province. Dr. Caroline Tait, along with her team with People First, First Person at University of Saskatchewan, along with the MN-S, are working collaboratively determining emerging research areas in Saskatchewan to build capacity for data collection, for further in-depth research to influence improvements for health service delivery and overall improved health and wellness for Métis citizens;

WHEREAS the MN-S has also recently developed a provincial Métis governance model that covers all areas of research. The model is grounded in the values of Métis people, is distinct from research governance models for First Nations, and will be utilized by communities across the province. There are excellent opportunities for synergies between the work. Dr. Tait’s team has established

¹ For further information on OCAP visit: https://fnigc.ca/sites/default/files/docs/ocap_path_to_fn_information_governance_en_final.pdf

research and knowledge translation priorities, and is engaging Métis stakeholders across the province in community-based and community-driven health research; and

WHEREAS the timing to collaborate with Dr. Tait is ideal for the MN-S, as we are currently in the process of developing our own provincial health strategy in consultation with our community, as well as participating in the development of the National Métis Health Strategy;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry of Health for the MN-S encourages that all community-based research connected to health outcomes be shared with the Ministry of Health to ensure that the research is in alignment with MN-S health priorities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that with respect to health research grant opportunities, that the Ministry of Health be consulted about current priority areas, to ensure grant processes from provincial and federal programs are consistent with MN-S priorities; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the intention of this process is to eliminate overlap of interests or competing for resources within the MN-S.

CARRIED (190113-03)

(Tammy Mah was absent for the vote)

Health Break

The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

11.4 GDI Appointments

It was MOVED (Penny Hurton) and SECONDED (Sherry McLennan)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approves putting forward Angie Quiring as a Gabriel Dumont Institute director for Western Region 2A.

CARRIED (190113-04)

(Tammy Mah was absent for the vote)

11.6 Métis Veterans / Dumont Scout Protocol

Métis Veteran Maurice confirmed that a Métis Veterans protocol was reviewed and would be tabled for consideration at the next PMC Meeting.

11.7 MN-S Cabinet Meeting

President McCallum confirmed that a MN-S Cabinet meeting would be scheduled in early or mid-February (likely a weekday), in the MN-S Boardroom to review some key priorities.

11.8 Framework Engagement

President McCallum noted that meetings would ensue with staff, and that he and the Vice President were communicating with federal government on the arrival of the anticipated funding.

11.9 Tribunal

Louise Simard acknowledged the resolution passed at the April 15, 2018 General Assembly directing that the MN-S “Establish an independent Métis Judicial Court to deal with matters of non-compliance, specifically related to the MN-S Constitution and Legislation” and that “a

judiciary or tribunal (of three appointees), be appointed prior to the next MNLA”. She added that a group of Métis lawyers and Elders, could be tasked to come forward with a process.

During discussion, it was suggested that a staged and comprehensive constitutional reform process may be required.

7.1.5 Ministry of Sports, Recreation and Culture – Update (Continued)

It was MOVED (Mervin “Tex” Bouvier) and SECONDED (Earl Cook)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) supports in principle the protocol agreement between the MN-S and the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations, as presented to the PMC on January 13, 2019.

CARRIED (190113-05)

(Tammy Mah was absent for the vote)

13. COMMUNICATIONS

In response to a request for clarification on the reference to “communications” in the MN-S budget, comments were offered on:

- The intent that the Director of Administration and Director of Research and Policy will coordinate the posting and communicating of information
- Seeking a communications person to highlight MN-S activities at multiple levels
- Finalizing the new MN-S website (likely to be operational within the month).

During discussion, comments were offered on:

- The importance of regular messaging from the provincial MN-S office (including on activities of the President)
- Preparing a regular MN-S newsletter which Ministers (and regions) could contribute to
- Potentially setting up a social media page where questions and answers could be posted.

ANNOUNCEMENT – Prince Albert Youth Hockey Club

The Prince Albert Youth Hockey Club is hosting tournaments from February 18-19, 2019 (for Atom and Pee Wee divisions) and February 20-21, 2019 (for Bantam and Midget divisions). February 14, 2019 is the deadline for registering a team for the tournament.

14. NEXT MEETING

It was noted that:

- A MN-S Cabinet Meeting will be scheduled to discuss priorities the Ministries are focussed on (i.e. Housing, Education etc.) and how they could support each other
- A PMC meeting will be scheduled to coincide with the next MN-S Cabinet meeting; the meeting will review a 2019/20 workplan/budget and will receive an update on the previous workplan/budget; a tour of the Registry Office may be held during the meeting.

15. CONCLUSION / CLOSING PRAYER

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Regular Meeting held January 12-13, 2019 concluded at 11:35 a.m. Elder Fleury offered a Closing Prayer.

LIST OF INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided for information at the January 12-13, 2019 meeting:

1. Agenda for the MN-S Provincial Métis Council Meeting scheduled January 12-13, 2019
2. Draft Minutes of the MN-S Provincial Métis Council Regular Meeting held October 26, 2018
3. “Métis Nation Clearwater Clearlake Region II Profile Report”, dated December 2018
4. Report from the Ministry of Métis Veterans
5. Report to the PMC from Dr. Earl Cook, Minister of Education, dated January 9, 2019
6. Report titled “Minister of Health Report, Marg Friesen”
7. MOU titled “Working Toward Inclusive Communities” between the MNS and Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc., dated November 2019
8. Report titled “Process of Doing a Needs Assessment and Providing a Model of Governance for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan”, prepared by Greg Ross and dated January 12, 2019
9. “Registry 2018 Activities Update – April 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018”
10. “MN-S Provincial Citizenship Registry History (2009-2019)”
11. Report titled “Métis Nation Sports, Recreation and Culture”, dated January 11, 2019
12. “Agreement between the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations and the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan”
13. Report titled “MN-S Economic Development Ministers Report”, dated January 11, 2019
14. Report titled “MNS Environment”, dated January 12, 2019
15. Report titled “MNS – Heritage and Language”, dated January 12, 2019
16. “Proposed Resolution – Resolution on Process for Community-Based Health Research”

LIST OF ACRONYMS

The following acronyms are referenced in these minutes:

CIHR	Canadian Institutes of Health Research
CMHA	Canadian Mental Health Association
CPAC	Canadian Partnership Against Cancer
DTI	Dumont Technical Institute
FSIN	Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations
GDI	Gabriel Dumont Institute
MEDS	Métis Economic Development Strategy
MNC	Métis National Council
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NEIHR	Network Environments for Indigenous Health Research
OCAP	Ownership, Control, Access and Possession
UNPFII	United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues