



**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
*held February 19, 2017*

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly held February 19, 2017, in the Grand Gallery at TCU Place, 35 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Street East, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, prepared by Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

**WELCOME – FEBRUARY 19, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER and OPENING PRAYER**

Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith, Chairpersons, welcomed Elders, veterans, delegates and others to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly at approximately 9:15 a.m. Senator Michael Maurice offered an Opening Prayer.

**RATIFICATION OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2017 MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS**

Delegates acknowledged the resolutions passed at the Métis Legislative Assembly (MNLA) on February 18, 2017.

**It was MOVED (Morley Norton) and SECONDED (Wendy Gervais)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly, ratify the following resolutions passed by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, on February 18, 2017:

**APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER FOR THE MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND CHAIRPERSONS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS** Article 5 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act*, as amended, directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to appoint a Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council at their duly called meeting on December 30, 2016 resolved that a Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly would be called for February 18 and 19, 2017 and held in Saskatoon at TCU Place;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council at their duly called meeting on January 14 and 15, 2017 appointed Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith as Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on February 18 and 19, 2017;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly ratify the appointments of Kathy Hodgson-Smith and Will Goodon as Speaker and Deputy Speaker at the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on February 18 and 19, 2017;

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Kathy Hodgson-Smith and Will Goodon shall also serve as Chairpersons for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN, MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS** Article 5 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act*, as amended, directs the Clerk of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly be responsible for the drafting of an Agenda for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly as directed by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;

**AND WHEREAS** an Agenda is hereby proposed for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly to be held on February 18 and 19, 2017;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following agenda be ratified by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

DAY ONE: Saturday, February 18, 2017

- Grand Entry
- Opening Prayer
- Métis National Anthem / Canadian National Anthem
- Welcoming Remarks
  - Metis Nation – Saskatchewan
  - Métis National Council – President Clément Chartier
  - Manitoba Metis Federation – President David Chartrand
  - Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada – Ian Ketcheson
- Roll Call of Assembly Delegates
- Appointment of Speaker and Deputy Speaker
- Adoption of the Agenda
- Locals (New or Dissolved)
- Adoption of the Minutes
- Government of Canada – Presentation
- MN-S Legal Counsel – Update
- Ernst & Young – Presentation
- Appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer / Setting 2017 MN-S Election Day
- *Saskatchewan Métis Election Act* Amendments
- Métis National Council – Update
- Constitutional Amendments (if any)
- Confirmation of Appointment of Complaints Officer / Election Adjudicator
- Other Resolutions
- Swearing in of the Chief Electoral Officer
- Conclusion or Adjournment of the MNLA

DAY TWO: Sunday, February 19, 2017

- Opening Prayer
- North American Indigenous Games – Mike Tanton
- Completion of the MNLA (if required)
- Conclusion.

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2012 MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

That the Minutes of the June 16, 2012 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and General Assembly be adopted as presented.

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 30 AND 31, 2016 MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY / JULY 31, 2016 GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

That the Minutes of the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and July 31, 2017 General Assembly be adopted as presented.

**APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER / SETTING OF 2017 MN-S ELECTION DAY:**

**WHEREAS** Article 28 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, and Article 8(2) of the *Constitution of the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan* requires that the election day for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council be held within four (4) years of the previous election;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council has retained, pursuant to the advice of Ernst & Young LLP as Expert Advisor, the expertise of Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant to advise on the process required to ensure the running of an election pursuant to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act, 2007*, as amended;

**AND WHEREAS** at the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly held July 30 and 31, 2016, February 4, 2017 was ratified as the proper timing of the next election day for the election of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;

**AND WHEREAS** at the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly held July 30 and 31, 2016, the appointment of Fred Payton to the position of Chief Electoral Officer for the 2017 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan election to be held February 4, 2017, was ratified;

**AND WHEREAS** the Chief Electoral Officer became ill and was unable to carry out his duties as Chief Electoral Officer to meet deadlines required by the February 4, 2017 election day;

**AND WHEREAS** Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, did advise the Provincial Métis Council and recommend a new candidate for the position of Chief Electoral Officer, Loretta Metzger;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council, did, at a duly called meeting of the Provincial Metis Council, ratify the appointment of Lorne Gibson as Electoral Consultant and Loretta Metzger as interim Chief Electoral Officer, pending ratification by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly set for February 18 and 19, 2017;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Loretta Metzger be appointed as Chief Electoral Officer for the 2017 Election of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the 2017 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Election of Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Metis Council be held May 27, 2017.

***THE SASKATCHEWAN MÉTIS ELECTION ACT 2007 AMENDMENTS:***

**WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly is enabled, pursuant to Article 8 of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* to enact electoral legislation;

**AND WHEREAS** such amendments must be registered with the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Head Office thirty (30) days prior to the sitting of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Articles 2 and 15 of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan*;

**AND WHEREAS** Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, did provide recommendations for amendments to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended;

**AND WHEREAS** the attached legislative amendments to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended are necessary to enable transparent, efficient and effective functioning of a Metis Nation – Saskatchewan Election;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly ratify the attached amendments to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, in accordance with the recommendations provided by Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, as follows (and described in the attached “Schedule A”):

1. Revise Section 12(5)(a) to read: “(a) receive the oath or affirmation of the voter”
2. Replace Section 114(3) with the following: “Authority to Administer: (3) An election officer may administer any oaths, affirmations or declarations that are required by this Act to be administered during an election”
3. Add Section 114(4): “Prohibition of fees: (4) All oaths, affirmations or declarations administered under this Act should be administered without charge”
4. Revise Section 12(4) by replacing “14 days” with “7 days”
5. Revise Section 48(1) to read: “Request for mobile poll: 48(1) A Regional Returning Officer shall give public notice that voters may call the Regional Returning Officer to request a visit by a mobile poll if, in the opinion of the Chief Electoral Officer, the voter is unable to vote at either the office of the Regional Returning Officer or the polling station because he or she is shut in or located in an isolated community”
6. In Sections 12(2)(b) and 12(3)(b), correct the spelling of “voter’s”
7. Insert the following new Section 12(4): “Other approved documentary evidence: (4) As provided in Section 12(3)(c) above, a voter may provide acceptable documentary evidence of the identity and residence for another voter that does not have the documentation referred to in Section 12(3) (a) and (b) above provided:
  - (a) the voter with acceptable documentary evidence (the “Voucher”) has registered to vote and provides the acceptable documentary evidence identified in Sections 12(2) and (3)(a) and (b) above, and otherwise complies with this Act;

- (b) the voter without the acceptable documentary evidence (the “Vouchee”) must:
    - i. go to a place for registration listed in Section 11;
    - ii. provide evidence of the voter’s name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer, which entitles him or her to vote; and
    - iii. sign and swear, or affirm, the voter registration form in Form 1 of the Schedule;
  - (c) the Voucher must:
    - i. provide evidence of the Voucher’s name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer;
    - ii. provide evidence of the Vouchee’s name and current address for inspection by the election officer; and
    - iii. sign and swear, or affirm, the Oath/Attestation of Voter Identity and Residence form in Form 5 of the Schedule and attach this to the Vouchee’s Form 1 of the Schedule; and
  - (d) all of the voters subject to this paragraph must swear or attest that the information being provided is true and for no improper purpose”
7. Insert the following new Section 12(5): “(5) Each Voucher shall not provide documentary evidence pursuant to Section 12(4) for more than two (2) Vouchees in an election”
  8. Renumber the remaining sections in Article 12 accordingly
  9. Repeal Article 43 in its entirety.

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF COMPLAINTS OFFICER / ELECTION ADJUDICATOR:**

**WHEREAS** the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, was duly passed by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly as the governing authority over the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Election of Executive and Regional Representatives pursuant to the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan*;

**AND WHEREAS** Article 116 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, provides that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly shall appoint and set the term for a Complaints Officer to enforce compliance with the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended;

**AND WHEREAS** Article 120 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, provides that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly shall appoint and set the term for an Election Adjudicator to hear all complaints referred by the Complaints Officer and render a decision that is final and binding;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly shall confirm the appointment of Gordon Kirkby as Complaints Officer for the term of two (2) years; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly shall confirm the appointment of Michael D. Nolin as Election Adjudicator for the term of two (2) years.

**MÉTIS NATION - SASKATCHEWAN REGIONAL EXPLORATORY TABLE WITH CANADA:**

**WHEREAS** the Federal Government has committed to engaging the Governing Members of the Métis National Council in regional exploratory discussions leading to the reconciliation of s. 35 Métis rights;

**AND WHEREAS** the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan in *Lee, Gardiner and Roy v. Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. and the Provincial Métis Council*, 2007 SKQB 49 recognized that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council continues to have authority to make decisions about the operations of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan until an election can be held;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government has entered into a framework agreement with the Manitoba Metis Federation, as well as memorandums of understanding with the Métis Nation of Alberta and the Métis Nation of Ontario respectively, for the above stated purpose;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government has begun discussions with the Métis Nation British Columbia for that same purpose;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan is the only Governing Member of the Métis National Council that has not become engaged in this process of reconciliation with the Government of Canada;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly direct the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council immediately request a similar process be engaged in with the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and to retain legal counsel to assist in the implementation of the process.

**CUTHBERT GRANT DECLARATION:**

**WHEREAS** Cuthbert Grant led the defence of the Métis Nation, its homeland and way of life with a victory at the Battle of Frog Plain/Seven Oaks (La Viktwayr di Bataille dann la Plenn di Goornouyayr) on June 19, 1816 proudly flying the blue Métis Nation infinity flag;

**AND WHEREAS** we express our deeply held gratitude and thanks for his leadership;

**AND WHEREAS** President Louis Riel led the provisional governments at Red River and Batoche in 1869/70 and 1884/85 respectively, for which we are forever indebted;

**AND WHEREAS** under the military leadership of Ambroise Lepine and Gabriel Dumont in 1869/70 and 1884/85 respectively, along with the blood shed by our warriors in defence of our homeland and the sacrifices of our women, children and youth, which underpins our ties to our lands as sacred and deeply rooted, we give thanks;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, is the sole representative government of the citizens of the Métis Nation within the modern day boundaries of the Province of Saskatchewan and as such, is a part of the sole and legitimate mandated national government of the Métis Nation, the Métis National Council;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly in session on February 18 and 19, 2017 in the City of Saskatoon adopts in honour of Cuthbert Grant, Louis Riel, Ambroise Lepine and Gabriel Dumont, along with the many Métis Nation leaders and citizens,

female and male, who walked with them or followed in their footsteps, this declaration to be henceforth known as the Cuthbert Grant Declaration; and

**WE HEREBY DECLARE THAT:**

- There is only one Métis Nation and the Métis National Council is the sole national government of the Métis Nation
- We, the people of the Métis Nation living within the Province of Saskatchewan, represented by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, share a common national cultural identity, history, homeland, political will, solidarity and nationalism
- We, as part of the people of the Métis Nation, have a right to self-determination, including the inherent right of self-government, which we declared in December 1993 through our Constitution, which has withstood the tests of time
- We, as part of the Métis Nation, assert the right to our lands, resources and traditional territory in the historic Northwest
- We, as part of the people of the Métis Nation, are desirous of strengthening our historic bonds across the Métis Nation homeland, which today includes Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, northeastern British Columbia, northwestern Ontario, and a contiguous part of both the Northwest Territories and the United States of America; AND

**THIS DECLARATION WE PROCLAIM** forms the cornerstone of our existence as citizens of a distinct Indigenous people and nation, the Métis Nation (proclaimed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017)

**CARRIED (GA17-01)**

(Three delegates voted in opposition)

(One delegate abstained from the vote)

**It was MOVED (Darlene McKay) and SECONDED (Lela Arnold)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly, ratify the following resolution passed by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, on February 18, 2017:

**ERNST & YOUNG – PRESENTATION:**

**WHEREAS** Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, represented by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (the “Government of Canada”) agreed to provide funding to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, as per the Funding Agreement (Agreement No: 1415-HQ-000097) entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan on April 1, 2014, as amended by:

- the undated Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;
- the May 1, 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;
- the June 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (“Amending Agreement #3”) (collectively, the “MN-S Agreement”); and
- as subsequently amended from time to time;

**AND WHEREAS** as part of the MN-S Agreement, an “Expert Advisor” must be retained;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. has contracted with

Ernst & Young LLP pursuant to an engagement letter dated June 17, 2016 and has appointed Ernst & Young LLP as the Expert Advisor;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and Ernst & Young LLP agree that the use of an Expert Advisor is a matter relevant to carrying out the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan’s obligations under the MN-S Agreement;

**AND WHEREAS** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council at its duly called meeting on January 14 and 15, 2017, did accept as presented, reports and financial and other information presented by Ernst & Young entitled “MN-S Budget as at February 15, 2017, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. Statements of Receipts and Disbursements” and the “Estate General Ledger Report”, and did at previous Provincial Métis Council meetings receive financial and other reports from time to time;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly accept the reports and budgets prepared by Ernst & Young, as Expert Advisors to the Provincial Métis Council, and accepted by the Provincial Métis Council, including the land title transfer to the MN-S Secretariat Inc., to date.

**CARRIED (GA17-02)**

(Ten delegates voted in opposition)

(One delegate abstained from the vote)

#### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

During discussion, delegates offered comments regarding:

- Time required to review the information in the Delegate Kit/Agenda Binder
- Including “Governance Structures and Access to Information” and “MN-S Registry” on the Agenda
- The process for selecting MNLA attendees.

#### **It was MOVED (Rebecca Major) and SECONDED (Wayne Trotier)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly now recess to provide time for Delegates to review the financial and other information included in the Delegate Kit/Agenda Binder, with their respective regional Presidents or Directors.

**CARRIED (GA17-03)**

(Five delegates voted in opposition)

#### **Discussion Break**

The meeting recessed at 9:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

Delegates suggested:

- Convening a workshop inclusive of all local Presidents and a specific number of delegates to review constitutional and governance issues
- Scheduling workshops prior to future MNLAs to review information being presented at the MNLA.

**It was MOVED (Wayne Whitford) and SECONDED (Dennis Vandale)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly requests that soon after the May 27, 2017 MN-S Election, a two-day workshop be convened with the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (as per Article 3 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act*) and as many delegates that funding allows, to discuss the governance of the MN-S.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-04)**

**It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) AND SECONDED (Jaycee Bell)**

That the Agenda for the February 19, 2017 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly be adopted as follows:

- North American Indigenous Games (Mike Tanton)
- MN-S Provincial Métis Council Setting the Date of the next MNLA
- Resolution Brought Forward by John Malanchuk
- Governance Structures and Access to Information
- MN-S Registry
- Ernst & Young – Presentation
- Conclusion of the General Assembly.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-05)**

## **BUSINESS AGENDA – FEBRUARY 19, 2017**

**1. NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES (NAIG)**

Mike Tanton, Chef de Mission, Team Saskatchewan, NAIG, reported that many of the Métis athletes from Saskatchewan selected to participate in the NAIG would lack documentation confirming their Métis ancestry. As such, a template letter had been prepared and posted on the Team Saskatchewan website ([teamsasknaig.ca](http://teamsasknaig.ca)) which local Presidents could sign to affirm a Saskatchewan athlete's Métis ancestry.

Mr. Tanton confirmed that the July 16 – 23, 2017 NAIG would be held in Toronto, and that support was being pursued to help reduce athletes' participation costs (for travel, accommodations, meals and uniforms). He encouraged leaders to assign their young athletes tasks within the community, in exchange for financial support to participate. For example, an athlete could be tasked with teaching younger athletes his/her sport in a training camp. Mr. Tanton added that, given his belief in the athletes' potential for success, he was volunteering in his role as Chef de Mission.

During discussion, the following responses were offered to questions raised:

- Approximately 460 athletes will be competing in the 2017 NAIG, of which 150 are Métis
- Although boxing is not a sport in the NAIG, the NAIG Council could be requested to include boxing in the future
- Mr. Tanton could convey the MN-S General Assembly's support for including boxing in future NAIG.

**It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Shirley Ross)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly supports adding the sport of boxing to the North American Indigenous Games.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-06)**

**It was MOVED (Shirley Isbister) and SECONDED (Wayne Trotier)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly requests that the Provincial Métis Council consider options to financially contribute to the North American Indigenous Games (NAIG), and to provide an honorarium to Mike Tanton, NAIG Chef de Mission, to assist with expenses related to his role.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-07)**

**It was MOVED (Viola Bell) and SECONDED (Wayne Trotier)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) General Assembly appoints Mike Tanton, Chef de Mission of the North American Indigenous Games as a MN-S Youth Ambassador.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-08)**

Mr. Tanton welcomed delegates to contact him for further information regarding the NAIG at [Mike.G.Tanton@gmail.com](mailto:Mike.G.Tanton@gmail.com).

**2. MN-S PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL SETTING THE DATE OF THE NEXT MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**It was MOVED (Wayne Whitford) and SECONDED (Darlene McKay)**

**WHEREAS** Article 2(6) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan*, as amended, provides that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly shall meet at least twice a year;

**AND WHEREAS** Article 3(10) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan*, as amended, provides the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council shall set the date and place for each Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly sitting;

**AND WHEREAS** Article 11 of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* provides that the General Assembly of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan, composed of members from the Locals, shall provide a forum whereby the members will receive information, review documents and provide guidance to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

**AND WHEREAS** the General Assembly desires to have the next two (2) dates set for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly as soon as possible by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly advises that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council must, at the next Métis Nation –

Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council meeting, set the next two (2) dates for the sitting of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly for 2017/2018;

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly advises the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to ensure that the next date for the sitting of the Métis Nation Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly be no later than September 30, 2017.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-09)**

**3. RESOLUTION BROUGHT FORWARD BY JOHN MALANCHUK**

In the absence of Mr. Malanchuk, this item was not considered.

**4. GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

During discussion, delegates offered comments regarding:

- A resolution passed at the December 30, 2016 Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting regarding the selection of delegates for the MNLA
- The role of Regional Directors to receive the list of delegates from Presidents, and ensure they were registered accordingly
- A lack of resources available to locals to ensure regular meetings were held and that minutes of the meetings were prepared and provided
- The importance of Presidents attending MNLAs.

**Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened at 11:25 a.m.

**Agenda Varied**

The Agenda was varied to now receive a presentation from Elder Frank Thompkins.

**5. ELDER FRANK THOMPCKINS - PRESENTATION**

Elder Frank Thompkins presented MN-S Minister of Veteran Affairs Lennard Morin with a book titled “Métis Soldiers” in recognition of his efforts on behalf of Métis veterans, which resulted in the construction of the Métis Veterans Memorial Monument at Batoche. Minister Morin extended thanks and acknowledged the long journey to complete the monument.

Elder Thompkins recalled that many Métis veterans returned home and received nothing for their service. Many were not recognized as veterans because of Bill C31. A fund set aside to enable veterans to attend other veterans’ funerals, was quickly exhausted. The Elder offered comments on his family’s historical background, noting that during the uprising at Batoche, his grandfather was taken to the top of the church where he witnessed the battle. After Louis Riel’s trial, his grandfather avowed that someday a monument would be built at Batoche in his memory.

The Elder extended thanks for the opportunity to speak, and encouraged delegates to elect educated and knowledgeable leaders in the upcoming election, if they wanted to advance the Métis people.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- The process for amending the *Constitution of the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan*

- Clarification needed on the structure of the MN-S and roles and responsibilities of Area Directors, Regional Councils, Local Presidents and Regional Representatives
- Established processes for admitting and dissolving locals
- The inability of some locals that to hold meetings, due to a lack of funding
- Discussions needed at the upcoming governance workshop on how locals will implement their roles and responsibilities, when they eventually have capacity
- Locals' lack of capacity to interpret the *Constitution of the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan*.

**It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Peter Ruddick)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly held February 19, 2017, now conclude.

**MOTION DEFEATED**

**Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

**6. MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN REGISTRY**

In response to questions and concerns raised, the following clarifications were offered:

- The MN-S Registry Office is currently closed, and may re-open after the election (possibly with the assistance of an outside organization)
- A voters list recently made available to the PMC, included information drawn from a previous election process and did not include confidential information
- The Expert Advisor confirmed that no one (including the Chief Executive Officer) has had access to the MN-S Registry Office
- MN-S citizenship cards will not be required to vote in the 2017 MN-S Election.

**7. ERNST & YOUNG – PRESENTATION**

Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young (EY), noted that Delegate Kits/Agenda Binders were prepared in advance for the registered MNLA delegates. In the future, pre-registration for the General Assembly could be considered to ensure availability of the correct number of Delegate Kits/Agenda Binders at the General Assembly. He added that information presented at the MNLA was available online.

Michael Campbell, Senior Associate, EY, acknowledged senators and veterans for their contributions to the Métis Nation, and further thanked the PMC, Youth Council, Le Filles des Madeleine, and the Chief Executive Officer. Additional thanks were extended to INAC for their financial support, and his EY team members who worked tirelessly preparing for the assemblies.

He led the meeting in a review of an overhead presentation (see attached "List of Appendices"). During the presentation, he confirmed that the initial engagement letter between the MN-S and EY, effective February 17, 2016, outlined EY's role as Expert Advisor, including carrying out matters relevant to the organization's obligations. He referred to the financial documentation provided in the Delegate Kit/Agenda Binder, including the estimate of net assets and liabilities. Additional financial information (including a budget to June 30, 2017) was provided by EY in a coil-bound report provided at the Assembly (see the attached "List of Appendices").

To ensure a smooth transition to the new MN-S government following the election, Mr. Campbell noted that EY could remain on until June 30, 2017 to enable the new government to make a decision regarding an Expert Advisor going forward (i.e. through a request for proposal process or otherwise). The PMC further passed a resolution extending the terms of EY and the Chief Executive Officer to June 30, 2017 to support the transition to the new government.

During discussion, the following clarifications were offered in response to questions raised:

- Tenders were posted for food vendors to run the two canteens at Back to Batoche 2016; one of the vendors selected was the Prince Albert Métis Women
- Any Back to Batoche 2016 revenues received by EY, were deposited in the appropriate Back to Batoche account; no revenues from the canteens were submitted to EY.

The 2016 Back to Batoche Committee members confirmed that an invoice would be sent to the Prince Albert Métis Women for a percentage of the proceeds earned at Back to Batoche 2016, payable through EY to the appropriate Back to Batoche account. Alternatives for managing the canteen at Back to Batoche 2017 will be considered.

It was requested that EY consider promptly sending an email to the PMC, asking them to delete the voters' list they received prior to the 2016 and 2017 MN-S Election processes. Thanks were extended to EY for their assistance, continued hard work, dedication and patience with the MN-S. Additionally, it was noted that due to the success of Back to Batoche 2016, all past taxes owed and some other outstanding invoices, were now paid off.

**It was MOVED (Morley Norton) and SECONDED (Wayne Trotier)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly accept as presented on February 19, 2017, all reports, budgets, financial and other information prepared by Ernst & Young, as Expert Advisors to the Provincial Métis Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-10)**

**CONCLUSION AND CLOSING PRAYER**

Thanks were extended to delegates for their participation at the Assembly. Senator Nora Roberts offered a Closing Prayer.

**It was MOVED (Morley Norton) and SECONDED (Shelly Kapell)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, General Assembly held February 19, 2017, now conclude.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (GA17-11)**

(Time: 2:40 p.m.)

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**LIST OF APPENDICES**

*The following items were referred to at the General Assembly and are attached:*

1. List of Information Items included in the Delegate Kit/Agenda Binder
2. Schedule A: Amendments to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act (2007)*
3. Printed copy of the overhead presentation provided by Ernst & Young on February 19, 2017

*The following additional item was referred to at the General Assembly and can be accessed through the MN-S website ([metisnation.sk.com/pages/saskatoon-mnla-delegate-information](http://metisnation.sk.com/pages/saskatoon-mnla-delegate-information)) or obtained through Ernst & Young:*

4. Coil-bound report from Ernst & Young, dated February 15, 2017.

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### MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY *held February 19, 2017*

#### List of Information Items Provided in the Delegate Kit/Agenda Package

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1. Notice of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly / General Assembly February 18-19, 2017
2. Correspondence from EY to Local Presidents, the Provincial Métis Council, Provincial Métis Women and Provincial Métis Youth (all members of the MN-S Legislative Assembly) regarding “Official Written Notice for MN-S Legislative assembly /General Assembly, February 18-19, 2017”, dated January 16, 2017

Tab 2:

3. List of MNLA Voting Delegates (Pre-registered – February 17, 2017)

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4. Order of the Day / Agenda for the MNLA

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5. Notice of the July 2008 MN-S Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and General Assembly
6. Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly, held September 8-9, 2008 in Saskatoon
7. Minutes of the Métis Nation Annual General Assembly, held September 8-9, 2008 in Saskatoon
8. Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly, held June 16, 2012 in Prince Albert
9. Minutes of the Métis Nation Annual General Meeting, held June 16, 2012 in Prince Albert
10. Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly, held July 30-31, 2016 in Yorkton
11. Minutes of the Métis Nation Annual General Assembly, held July 31, 2016 in Yorkton

Tab 6:

12. Funding Agreement (Agreement No: 1415-HQ-000097) entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, signed June 2014, and related attachments
13. Amending Agreement, Master Year 2 of 3, entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, signed February 2016
14. Amending Agreement, Master Year 3 of 3, entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan, signed May 2016
15. Amending Agreement #003 entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, signed June 2016
16. Amending Agreement #005 entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, signed July 2016

Tab 7:

17. Engagement letter from Lorne Gibson, Election Management Consultant, to Robert Doucette and Gerald Morin, dated August 3, 2016
18. Engagement letter from Loretta Metzger, Election Consultant, to Robert Doucette and Gerald Morin, dated January 3, 2017

Tab 8:

19. Correspondence from Cuelenaere, Kendall, Katzman & Watson LLP (MN-S Legal Counsel) to Mavis Taylor, CEO, offering an opinion on “Term of Office of the PMC”, dated January 5, 2017
20. Correspondence from The W Law Group to the MN-S Director of Operations, offering an opinion on the Term of Office of the PMC, dated May 29, 2012
21. Court of Queen’s Bench for Saskatchewan (File QB No. 1491 of 2016) order on the application filed by Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. requesting documentation from MN-S affiliates, dated January 12, 2017
22. Court of Queen’s Bench for Saskatchewan (File QB No. 211 of 2016) Notice to the Respondents, Charlene Lavalee and Ken Morash, related to their residency on the Back to Batoche Festival grounds, dated October 18, 2016

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23. Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan (File QB No. 1737 of 2016) Notice to Defendant, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., filed by The W Law Group, seeking payment of outstanding legal invoices, dated December 19, 2016
24. Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan (File QB No. 22 of 2017) application filed by "Lee, Gardiner and Roy" seeking to halt the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, dated February 14, 2017
25. Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan (File QB No. 22 of 2017) decision delivered February 17, 2017 dismissing the application filed by "Lee, Gardiner and Roy"

Tab 9:

26. Ernst & Young Inc. Report to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, dated July 29, 2016

Tab 10:

27. Summary of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meetings held June 2015 to December 2016, prepared by Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

Tab 11:

28. Correspondence dated October 1, 2014 from the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development to the President, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, advising that federal government was halting all payments to the MN-S

Tab 14:

29. Land Title Registry Profile Report, for the Batoche lands registered to Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., dated September 20, 2016

Tab 15:

30. Correspondence to the MN-S Chief Executive Officer regarding "Federal funding allocation to participate in the Review of Environmental Assessment Processes", dated November 18, 2016
31. Correspondence to the MN-S Chief Executive Officer regarding "Federal funding allocation to participate in the review of the changes to the *Fisheries Act*", dated November 16, 2016
32. Correspondence to the MN-S Chief Executive Officer regarding the MN-S' request for funding to participate in the review of the *Navigation Protection Act* (undated)
33. Correspondence to the MN-S Chief Executive Officer regarding "Federal funding allocation to participate in the National Energy Board Modernization Review", dated November 25, 2016

Tab 16:

34. Corporate Registry Profile Report: Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., dated September 9, 2016

Tab 17:

35. Financial Statements of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., prepared by KPMG, for the year ended March 31, 2011
36. Financial Statements of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., prepared by KPMG, for the year ended March 31, 2012
37. Financial Statements of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., prepared by KPMG, for the year ended March 31, 2013 and 2012

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38. Financial Statements of the Provincial Métis Holdco Inc. prepared by KPMG, for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011
39. Financial Statements of the Provincial Métis Holdco Inc. prepared by KPMG, for the year ended December 31, 2013

Tab 19:

40. Audit Findings Report for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., prepared by KPMG, for the year ended March 31, 2014
41. Printed copy of an Indian and Northern Affairs Canada presentation titled "Audit of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan", dated March 2012

Tab 20:

42. Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
43. Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act

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- 44.** The Métis Act
- 45.** Bylaws, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc.
- 46.** Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Citizenship Act
- 47.** Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Senate Act

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- 48.** Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007

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- 49.** Invoices and statements from various vendors and organizations claiming outstanding amounts owed (dated 2008 to 2015)

**SCHEDULE A**  
**Proposed Amendments to the**  
***Saskatchewan Metis Elections Act (2007)***

Version of Act presently in force	Proposed Amendments
<b>A. Authorizing election officers to administer oaths, affirmations or declarations of voters</b>	
<p>Duty of election officers</p> <p>12(5) When a voter asks to be registered, the responsible election officer designated for this purpose shall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) accept the oath /affirmation of the voter;</li> <li>(b) complete the election officer's portion of the voter registration form; and</li> <li>(c) send the attached copies of the voter registration form in accordance with the distribution requirements of the form.</li> </ul>	<p>Duty of election officers</p> <p>12(5) When a voter asks to be registered, the responsible election officer designated for this purpose shall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) <b>receive</b> the oath <b>or</b> affirmation of the voter;</li> <li>(b) complete the election officer's portion of the voter registration form; and</li> <li>(c) send the attached copies of the voter registration form in accordance with the distribution requirements of the form.</li> </ul>
<p>Oaths and Affirmations</p> <p>Oath of office</p> <p>114(1) Before taking office, all election officers shall take the oath or affirmation of office in the approved form.</p> <p>Transmission of oaths</p> <p>(2) The Regional Returning Officer shall, without delay, send to the Chief Electoral Officer the original written copy of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the Regional Returning Officer's own oath or affirmation; and</li> <li>(b) the appointment and oath or affirmation of the assistant regional returning officer and every other election officer in the Region.</li> </ul> <p>Prohibition of fees</p> <p>(3) All oaths, affirmations or affidavits administered under this Act should be administered without charge.</p>	<p>Oaths and Affirmations</p> <p>Oath of office</p> <p>114(1) Before taking office, all election officers shall take the oath or affirmation of office in the approved form.</p> <p>Transmission of oaths</p> <p>(2) The Regional Returning Officer shall, without delay, send to the Chief Electoral Officer the original written copy of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the Regional Returning Officer's own oath or affirmation; and</li> <li>(b) the appointment and oath or affirmation of the assistant regional returning officer and every other election officer in the Region.</li> </ul> <p><b>Authority to administer</b></p> <p><b>(3) An election officer may administer any oaths, affirmations or declarations that are required by this Act to be administered during an election.</b></p> <p>Prohibition of fees</p> <p><b>(4) All oaths, affirmations or declarations</b> administered under this Act should be administered without charge.</p>

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<b>B. Extending the Registration Period for Voters in Penal and Correctional Institutions</b>	
<p>Voters in a penal or correctional institution</p> <p>12(4) A voter who is confined to a penal or correctional institution in Saskatchewan must register to vote at least 14 days before election day in accordance with arrangements made by the Chief Electoral Officer at that institution.</p>	<p>Voters in a penal or correctional institution</p> <p>12(4) A voter who is confined to a penal or correctional institution in Saskatchewan must register to vote at least <b>7</b> days before election day in accordance with arrangements made by the Chief Electoral Officer at that institution.</p>
<b>C. Mobile Polls for Isolated Communities</b>	
<p>Request for mobile poll</p> <p>48(1) A Regional Returning Officer shall give public notice that voters may call the Regional Returning Officer to request a visit by a mobile poll, if the voter is shut in and unable to vote either at the office of the Regional Returning Officer or the polling station.</p>	<p>Request for mobile poll</p> <p>48(1) A Regional Returning Officer shall give public notice that voters may call the Regional Returning Officer to request a visit by a mobile poll <b>if, in the opinion of the Chief Electoral Officer, the voter is unable to vote at either the office of the Regional Returning Officer or the polling station because he or she is shut in or located in an isolated community.</b></p>
<b>D. Vouching</b>	
<p>Right to register to vote</p> <p>12(1) Any person who is an eligible voter may register in accordance with this section.</p> <p>Registration procedure</p> <p>(2) A person who wishes to register to vote must</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>go to a place for registration listed in section 11;</li> <li>provide documentary evidence of the voter=s name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer, which entitles him or her to vote; and</li> <li>sign and swear, or affirm, the voter registration form in Form 1 of the Schedule.</li> </ol> <p>Approved ID</p> <p>(3) Acceptable documentary evidence for the purposes of subsection (2) is</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one approved document that shows the voters <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>first and last names,</li> <li>current address, and</li> <li>signature or photo;</li> </ol> </li> <li>one approved document showing the voter=s name and another approved document showing the voter=s name and current address; or</li> <li>any other approved documentary evidence, suitable for persons without the</li> </ol>	<p>Right to register to vote</p> <p>12(1) Any person who is an eligible voter may register in accordance with this section.</p> <p>Registration procedure</p> <p>(2) A person who wishes to register to vote must</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>go to a place for registration listed in section 11;</li> <li>provide documentary evidence of the <b>voter's</b> name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer, which entitles him or her to vote; and</li> <li>sign and swear, or affirm, the voter registration form in Form 1 of the Schedule.</li> </ol> <p>Approved ID</p> <p>(3) Acceptable documentary evidence for the purposes of subsection (2) is</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one approved document that shows the voters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>first and last names,</li> <li>current address, and</li> <li>signature or photo;</li> </ol> </li> <li>one approved document showing the <b>voter's</b> name and another approved document showing the <b>voter's</b> name and current address; or</li> </ol>

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<p>documentation referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b).</p>	<p>(c) any other approved documentary evidence, suitable for persons without the documentation referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b).</p> <p><b>Other approved documentary evidence</b></p> <p><b>(4) As provided in section 12(3)(c) above, a voter may provide acceptable documentary evidence of the identity and residence for another voter that does not have the documentation referred to in section 12(3) (a) and (b) above provided:</b></p> <p><b>(a) the voter with acceptable documentary evidence (the “Voucher”) has registered to vote and provides the acceptable documentary evidence identified in sections 12(2) and (3)(a) and (b) above, and otherwise complies with this Act;</b></p> <p><b>(b) the voter without the acceptable documentary evidence (the “Vouchee”) must:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>i. go to a place for registration listed in section 11;</b></li><li><b>ii. provide evidence of the voter’s name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer, which entitles him or her to vote; and</b></li><li><b>iii. sign and swear, or affirm, the voter registration form in Form 1 of the Schedule;</b></li></ul> <p><b>(c) the Voucher must:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>i. provide evidence of the Voucher’s name, current address and signature for inspection by the election officer;</b></li><li><b>ii. provide evidence of the Vouchee’s name and current address for inspection by the election officer; and</b></li><li><b>iii. sign and swear, or affirm, the Oath/Attestation of Voter Identity and Residence form in Form 5 of the Schedule and attach this to the Vouchee’s Form 1 of the Schedule;</b></li></ul> <p><b>(d) all of the voters subject to this paragraph must swear or attest that the information being provided is true and for no improper purpose.</b></p> <p><b>(5) Each Voucher shall not provide documentary evidence pursuant to section 12(4) for more than two (2) Vouchees in an election.</b></p>
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<b>E. Voting in the Office of the Regional Returning Officer</b>	
<p>Voting in office of Regional Returning Officer</p> <p>43(1) A voter may vote in the office of the Regional Returning Officer in accordance with this section.</p> <p>Application of other provisions</p> <p>(2) Subject to this section, the provisions of this Act respecting polls and voting on election day apply to voting in the office of a Regional Returning Officer with such modifications as the circumstances require or as the Chief Electoral Officer may direct.</p> <p>Registration in the office</p> <p>(3) A voter may vote in the office of the Regional Returning Officer, even if the voter has not yet registered, by registering as a voter in the same manner as on election day.</p> <p>Time for voting in office of returning officer</p> <p>(4) A person may vote at the office of the Regional Returning Officer only during the hours of 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm, commencing the 15th day before election day, and ending the 8th day before election day, but not including a Sunday.</p> <p>Recording votes</p> <p>(5) The Regional Returning Officer shall, in accordance with the instructions of the Chief Electoral Officer,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) keep a record of voters who have voted in the office of the Regional</li><li>(b) Returning Officer and notify the deputy returning officers of the voters who have so voted;</li><li>(c) seal the ballots and all the election materials inside the ballot box in the approved manner;</li><li>(d) secure the ballot box and ballot papers during the period in which persons may vote at the office of the Regional Returning Officer until the time for the counting of votes on election day;</li><li>(e) count the votes in the office of the Regional Returning Officer at the close of the polls on election day; and</li><li>(f) secure the ballot papers and other material associated with the voting after the counting of the votes.</li></ul>	<p><b>Repeal the entirety of Article 43.</b></p>

*(Amended Sample Voter Registration Forms are attached on the following pages)*

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**Form 1**

**VOTER REGISTRATION FORM  
for Saskatchewan Métis Voters**

[unique number]

**VOTER'S OATH / AFFIRMATION**

I, the undersigned, solemnly swear / affirm that I am eligible to vote in the general election to be held on Election Day for the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan and in particular that:

- ✓ I am or will be 16 years of age or older, as of [election day];
- ✓ I am a resident of Saskatchewan;
- ✓ I am a resident of Region number;
- ✓ I identify myself as a Métis, as distinct from other Aboriginal peoples;
- ✓ I am not registered as a member of a First Nation or other group of Aboriginal peoples;
- ✓ I am of Historic Métis Nation ancestry;
- ✓ I honestly believe that I am accepted, or will be accepted, by the Métis Nation; and
- ✓ I consent to having my name and personal information used for the purposes of Métis elections and citizenship.

**VOTER'S INFORMATION**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle Name / Initial: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other commonly used name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: Day: \_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_  
 Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Métis Local (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**OATH / AFFIRMATION**

Sworn before me in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 in the Province of Saskatchewan,  
 this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 A Commissioner for Oaths in and  
 for the Province of Saskatchewan.  
 My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.

**- OR -**  
**Being an elections officer pursuant to *The Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007.***  
**- OR -**  
**Being a solicitor.**

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**Form 5**

**OATH OR ATTESTATION OF IDENTITY AND RESIDENCE**

for Saskatchewan Métis Voters without Documentary Evidence of Identity

I, the undersigned registered voter, solemnly swear / affirm that:

- (a) I am eligible to vote in the general election to be held on Election Day for the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan
- (b) I have complied with *The Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007* and my voter number is \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) I personally know \_\_\_\_\_ (the voter) who is, in my belief, at least 16 years of age
- (d) I personally know \_\_\_\_\_ (the voter) resides at the address listed below
- (e) I believe that \_\_\_\_\_ (the voter) is entitled to be a voter
- (f) I have sworn / affirmed the identity and residence of no more than two (2) individuals, including the identity and residence of \_\_\_\_\_ (the voter)
- (g) I make this oath / affirmation in support of an application to permit an eligible voter to vote in the absence of documentary evidence of identity and residence, and conscientiously believing it to be true and for no improper purpose.

**REGISTRANT'S INFORMATION**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Middle Name / Initial: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Commonly Used Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: Day: \_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_  
Métis Local (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**OATH / AFFIRMATION**

Sworn before me in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the Province of Saskatchewan,  
this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
A Commissioner for Oaths in and  
for the Province of Saskatchewan.  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.

- OR -

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