



**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN
MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

scheduled April 14, 2019

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly scheduled April 14, 2019 in “Hall C” at Evraz Place, 1700 Elphinstone Street, Regina, Saskatchewan, prepared by Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

WELCOME – APRIL 14, 2019

GRAND ENTRY and CALL TO ORDER

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) commenced with a Grand Entry procession into the Assembly Hall led by Métis fiddler Dean Smith, Provincial Métis Veterans and others bearing the Métis Battle Standard Flag, and the flags of Canada, the Métis Nation, and the Province of Saskatchewan.

ANTHEMS and OPENING PRAYERS

Delegates participated in singing the “Métis National Anthem” and “O Canada”. Joe Blyan welcomed Elders Max Morin and Norman Fleury to offer Opening Prayers.

Glen McCallum, President, MN-S, welcomed Delegates and confirmed that the MNLA was being livestreamed (broadcast in real-time over the internet).

GREETINGS

The Honourable Warren Kaeding, Minister of Government Relations / Minister of First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs

Minister Kaeding extended greetings on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, and acknowledged rewards of collaborating to build better communities and investments announced that would benefit Indigenous businesses and organizations.

He referenced matters the Provincial Government was working to acknowledge, including an apology from the Premier recognizing the province’s deep regret for the 60s Scoop. In his role as Minister for over a year, he had maintained his objective of listening and understanding, and looked forward to the journey ahead.

Métis Veteran Alex Maurice

Métis Veteran Maurice extended thanks to the Provincial Métis Council (PMC) and the MN-S Executive for including Métis veterans in their meetings, and showing respect to the leaders of the past. He recognized the Métis Elders, Veterans and youth in attendance, and confirmed the importance of maintaining discipline, respect and humility. Thanks were extended to those who had pushed for compensation and recognition of the Métis Veterans.

David Pratt, Vice Chief, Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN)

On behalf of the FSIN Executives, Vice Chief Pratt extended appreciation for the opportunity to welcome Delegates to the MNLA on Treaty 4 territory. He recalled a number of renowned Métis leaders and families, and encouraged Delegates to continue to build on their achievements, including through sporting events.

MN-S President McCallum thanked Vice Chief Pratt for his comments, and confirmed that the FSIN and the MN-S were working towards signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

France Picotte, Vice President, Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)

MNO Vice President Picotte conveyed best wishes on behalf of the MNO, and recognized the importance of creating opportunities for communities to meet. The Métis people cared about their history and their future, and were willing to do what was required to move forward.

The MNO Vice President noted the importance of respecting the rights of the grandchildren and future generations and applauded federal government for their commitments, and their collective efforts to move forward. The MN-S was commended for continuing to support the rights of the Métis people.

Clément Chartier, President, Métis National Council (MNC)

MNC President Chartier welcomed Delegates to the session, and offered comments on historic steps taken to maintain the integrity of the Métis Nation. He added that by June 2019, it was hoped that a strong Métis-specific claims framework would be in place, to guide the Métis Nation into the future. He commended the new MN-S leadership's discussions with the provincial government, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to attend the MNLA.

MN-S President McCallum reminded Delegates to continue to support Métis people across the country, and to pray for maintained respect and understanding. He further affirmed he would continue to work for the Métis Nation, the Métis citizens and the citizens of Canada.

David Chartrand, President, MMF

MMF President Chartrand acknowledged Elders, Veterans, leaders and other dignitaries in attendance. He extended appreciation for the MN-S leaders for keeping the Métis symbolism alive, noting that the voices of the Locals were the MMF's greatest strength. The MMF President added that "The leaders of yesterday led the way for the leaders of today", and that "The strength of today, took years to achieve". The Métis flag that flew in 1816 identified clearly, the Métis people.

He affirmed that the MN-S would receive significant funding over the next ten years, to contribute to meeting the housing, daycare and other needs across the province. He recalled urging Prime Minister Trudeau, prior to his election, to settle land claims and give the Métis Nation's taxes back so that communities could move forward and no longer be a "social burden". The Prime Minister kept his word, for the Métis people. Federal government negotiated with President Chartier and had committed \$2.1 billion to benefit the Métis people across the country.

Harvesting laws, guided by Métis self-government, were also critical. In Manitoba, decisions were made by the MMF to hunt and harvest with care and respect. The MMF President confirmed that he would continue to protect the Métis Nation homeland, noting that care was needed to protect the money that had been negotiated for the Métis people.

Daniel Cardinal, Vice President, Métis Nation Alberta (MNA)

MNA Vice President Cardinal acknowledged the traditional land on which the Assembly was being held, and extended greetings on behalf of MNA President who was unable to attend. Thanks were extended for the opportunity to speak at the MNLA. As a Métis person fluent in Michif, he was pleased to use the language whenever possible, and encouraged others to do the same.

ROLL CALL OF REGISTERED ASSEMBLY DELEGATES and CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Richard Quintal, Chief Executive Officer, MN-S, conducted a Roll Call by reading aloud the names of the registered voting Delegates. He confirmed a total of 98 voting Delegates in attendance, and declared that the required quorum of 75 Delegates had been achieved (see attached “List of Registered Delegates”).

AGENDA FOR THE MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN, MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

See the attached “List of Information Items” for a complete list of items included with the April 14, 2019 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly Agenda

It was MOVED (Virginia LaCroix) and SECONDED (Billy Kennedy)

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 (MNLA) to be responsible for the drafting of an agenda for the MNLA as directed by the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC);

AND WHEREAS an Agenda is hereby proposed for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly to be held on April 14, 2019;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Agenda be adopted by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly:

- Grand Entry:
 - Opening Prayer - Max Morin
- Greetings:
 - Métis National Council
 - Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations
 - Manitoba Metis Federation
 - Métis Nation of Alberta
 - Métis Nation of Ontario
- Roll Call (of Registered Delegates): MNLA Clerk Richard Quintal
- MNLA Motions:
 - Order of the Day / Adoption of the Agenda
 - Adoption of Speaker and Deputy Speaker
 - Adoption of Dumont Scouts
 - Ministerial Appointments
- February 2018 MNLA Minutes: Provincial Secretary Lisa McCallum
- Facilitators’ Reports from the Workshops:
 - Housing Strategy
 - MN-S Constitutional Reform
 - Health and Wellness
 - MN-S Self Government Framework
- Resolutions

- Motion to Accept:
 - Ministerial Reports
 - Regional Representative Reports
 - Affiliate Reports
- Ernst & Young Report
- Auditor's Report
- Motion to Accept:
 - MN-S Secretariat Inc. Financial Statements
- Appointment of Auditors for 2018-2019
- Closing Prayer – Elder Norman Fleury
- Conclusion of the MNLA.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-01)

BUSINESS AGENDA – APRIL 14, 2019

1. APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER FOR THE MNLA

In response to questions raised, CEO Quintal confirmed that Mike Nolan was not under contract with the MN-S as legal counsel to the current PMC.

It was MOVED (Michael Bell) and SECONDED (Leonard Montgrand)

WHEREAS Article 5 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act*, as amended, directs the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) to appoint a Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the MN-S Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA);

AND WHEREAS the MN-S PMC at their duly called meeting on January 12-13, 2019 resolved that a MNLA would be called for April 14, 2019;

AND WHEREAS the MN-S PMC at their duly called meeting on March 7, 2019 appointed Mike Nolan and Joe Blyan as Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the April 14, 2019 MNLA.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the MNLA ratify the appointments of Mike Nolan and Joe Blyan as Speaker and Deputy Speaker.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-02)

77 Delegates voted in favour

Viola Bell and 4 other Delegates (a total of 5) voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

Given some temporary acoustic issues in the room, Speaker Mike Nolan called for a recount of the prior resolution, which confirmed the previously announced vote count. It was noted that henceforth, the vote count for each resolution would be reported (including votes in opposition, in favour and votes in abstention).

The Speaker requested Delegates state their name, prior to speaking and reviewed the roles, responsibilities and authorities of the MNLA Speaker and Deputy Speaker, intended to ensure compliance with the procedures, rules, decorum and debates of the MNLA.

2. APPOINTMENT OF DUMONT SCOUTS

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Wayne Whitford)

WHEREAS Article 8.1 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act* provides that “Dumont Scouts be appointed by the Provincial Métis Council to maintain order and procedure during Assembly”;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following shall be Dumont Scouts at the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly scheduled April 14, 2019:

- Lloyd Bishop
- Clinton Digness
- Alex Maurice
- Josie Searson.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-03)

*92 Delegates voted in favour
0 Delegates voted in opposition
0 Delegates abstained from the vote*

3. RATIFICATION OF LOCALS

It was MOVED (Joanna Potyondi) and SECONDED (Viola Bell)

That the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly accepts and ratifies as presented, the following resolution:

“WHEREAS the *Métis Nation Saskatchewan Constitution* indicates:

- **Article 7.1** – *The Locals shall be the basic unit of the Organization in each Community; and*
- **Article 7.3** – *New Locals can be admitted by the Regional Council provided this decision is ratified by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and requirements have been met;*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that *Eastern Region II Regional Council has accepted Porcupine Plain Local as they have met the requirements according to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Constitution; and*

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that *according to Article 7.3 of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Constitution, that the decision to accept the Porcupine Plain Local be ratified by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly.”*

CARRIED (MNLA190414-04)

*92 Delegates voted in favour
0 Delegates voted in opposition
0 Delegates abstained from the vote*

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the April 14-15, 2018 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly

Secretary Lisa McCallum read aloud the decisions indicated in the Minutes of the April 14-15, 2018 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly.

Point of Order

The Speaker ruled that the April 14-15, 2018 MNLA minutes could not be considered for adoption, as they had not yet been certified by the Speaker and Deputy Speaker, as required under Section 5.5 of the *MNLA Act*.

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Wendy Gervais)

That the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) directs that the April 14-15, 2018 MNLA Minutes be tabled for consideration at the next MNLA, after being duly certified in advance by the 2018 MNLA Speaker and Deputy Speaker.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-05)

92 Delegates voted in favour

0 Delegates voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

ANNOUNCEMENT – Funding for Métis Veterans

Delegates were informed that consultations would be held from June to August 2019 on how to allocate funding for Métis Veterans and/or their surviving family members. The PMC and the Area Directors will be informed when consultation sessions are scheduled.

Health Break

The Assembly recessed at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Executive Report, Regional Representative Reports and Affiliate Reports (Provided in Writing)

Vice President Morin referred the Assembly to the reports provided with the Agenda (see the attached “List of Appendices”). It was confirmed that the President’s “State of the Nation” report was provided at the April 12-13, 2019 MN-S Forum.

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Viola Bell)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) receive for information, the Executive Report, Regional Representative Reports and Affiliate Reports, provided in writing with the April 14, 2019 MNLA Agenda.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-06)

71 Delegates voted in favour

13 Delegates voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

Point of Order

The Speaker clarified that a simple majority was required for resolutions to pass, with the exception of resolutions on Constitutional amendments, which required a 75% majority to pass.

5.2 Secretary’s Report (Verbal Report)

Secretary McCallum extended apologies for not providing a written report. She acknowledged some activities she had participated in since the prior MNLA, including her involvement and/or assistance with bylaws, proposal development, and economic development (in some regions). Additionally, she had been working with Vice President Morin on matters related to constitutional reform.

She anticipated assisting in developing a post-MNLA workplan, and continuing to be involved in reviewing the *MNLA Act*, *Citizenship Act* and the *Senate Act*. Although she had been removed as Registry Minister in June 2018, she looked forward to moving into 2020 with other directives.

In response to questions raised, comments were offered regarding:

- The re-assignment of MN-S portfolios:
 - The MN-S President can initiate adjustments to portfolio appointments
 - The Registry portfolio was duly re-assigned with the involvement of a third party reviewer, the Human Resources Committee and the PMC
 - The MN-S President subsequently re-assigned the Registry Ministry to Wendy Gervais
- Article 4.6 of the *MN-S Constitution*, which specifies that Executive members “shall provide written reports to the MNLA”.

It was MOVED (Derek Langan) and SECONDED (Leebert Poitras)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) receive for information the Secretary’s verbal report, presented at the April 14, 2019 MNLA.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-07)

80 Delegates voted in favour

10 Delegates voted in opposition

2 Delegates abstained from the vote

Point of Order

The Speaker ruled that a Delegate’s request for “Terms of Reference” or regulations related to re-assigning portfolio appointments, was out of order.

Point of Order

The Speaker confirmed that the distribution of any material during a MNLA was strictly prohibited, without being pre-vetted by the Speaker or Deputy Speaker.

6. RATIFICATION OF MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS

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

WHEREAS Article 2:4 of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan* provides that:

"The President shall assign and recommend portfolios, subject to the approval of the Provincial Métis Council and ratification by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly. The assignment of portfolios shall be restricted to members of the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly";

AND WHEREAS the President has made the following appointments of Ministerial Portfolios, to be ratified at the April 14, 2019 MNLA:

- *Earl Cook, Northern Region 1:*
 - *Minister of Finance*
 - *Minister of Education*
 - *Urban Programming for Indigenous Peoples (UPIP)*
- *Marg Friesen, Eastern Region 3:*
 - *Minister of Health*
 - *Minister of Métis Addictions Council of Saskatchewan Inc. (MACSI)*

- *Wendy Gervais, Western Region 3:*
 - *Minister of the Registry*
 - *Minister of Métis Child and Family Services*
- *Sherry McLennan, Western Region 2:*
 - *Minister of Back to Batoche*
- *Mervin Bouvier, Northern Region 3:*
 - *Minister of Environment*
- *Leonard Montgrand, Northern Region 2:*
 - *Minister of Economic Development*
- *Billy Kennedy, Western Region 1A:*
 - *Minister of Sports and Recreation*
- *Ryan Carriere, Eastern Region 1:*
 - *Minister of Veterans*
- *Sherry Soll, Eastern Region 2:*
 - *Minister of Language and Heritage*
- *Derek Langan, Eastern Region 2A:*
 - *Minister of Housing*
- *Penny Hurton, Western Region 2A:*
 - *Minister of Tourism*
- *Jaycee Bell:*
 - *Minister of Métis Youth*
- *Tammy Mah:*
 - *Minister of Métis Women*
- *Glen McCallum, President:*
 - *Minister of Reconciliation and Residential Schooling*
 - *Minister of Métis Rights and Harvesting*
- *Gerald Morin, Vice President:*
 - *Minister of Inter-Governmental Affairs*

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Métis Council (PMC) has approved the above Ministerial Portfolios;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministerial Portfolio appointments made by the President as aforesaid and approved by the PMC, are hereby ratified.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-08)
68 Delegates voted in favour
14 Delegates voted in opposition
1 Delegate abstained from the vote

7. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

7.1 Appointment of Registrar

During discussion on the appointment of the Registrar, comments were offered on the qualifications and experience of the proposed appointee. It was confirmed that the MN-S Registry currently had over 11,000 registrants.

It was MOVED (Wendy Gervais) and SECONDED (Marilyn Fazakas)

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Article 2.12 – “Interpretation” states that the “Registrar” shall mean the “Registrar appointed by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly to administer the Central Registry” [Amended September 9, 2008].

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Tammy Vallee be appointed as the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Registrar for the term of April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2021.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-09)

54 Delegates voted in favour

38 Delegates voted in opposition

5 Delegates abstained from the vote

7.2 Financial Impact and Legal Review of Resolutions

During discussion, comments were offered on the importance of considering financial and legal implications of resolutions submitted for the MNLA’s consideration.

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Shelley Kapell)

WHEREAS the Métis Nation- Saskatchewan has several pieces of legislation and a Constitution that are inter-related and govern how the Métis Nation Government functions;

AND WHEREAS all functions and operations of the Métis Nation Government are subject to the availability of financial resources and policy, research, implementation and monitoring support;

AND WHEREAS the inter-relationship of legislation requires legal review and analysis;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT any resolutions or legislation that has a financial impact and requires further legal review and analysis shall, if approved by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, be referred to the Finance Committee of the Metis Nation for a financial analysis, report and recommendation and also be referred to legal counsel for a legal review, analysis and report;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the financial and legal reports shall be presented to the next Métis Nation Legislative Assembly.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-10)

91 Delegates voted in favour

1 Delegate voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

7.3 Constitutional Reform Process

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

WHEREAS the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan has heard from citizens of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan about the need for Constitutional Reform;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan held Constitutional workshops at the Legislative Assembly in April 2019;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed that Constitutional Reform is needed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan under the instructions of the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, develop a Constitutional Reform process including further engagement with the Citizens of the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs report to the next Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on the progress of the Reform process, and bring forward any amendments that might be necessary at that time for consideration, discussion and ratification of the Legislative Assembly and the General Assembly.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-11)

87 Delegates voted in favour

0 Delegates voted in opposition

1 Delegate abstained from the vote

7.4 Citizenship Process

During discussion on the motion presented, comments were offered on the feasibility of some affiliate board members not being Métis. It was further noted that the objective of the resolution could be achieved in an alternative way, potentially as a suggestion by the Minister of the Registry.

With support from the Seconder, the Mover withdrew the motion (as indicated below).

It was MOVED (Wendy Gervais) and SECONDED (Marilyn Fazakas)

WHEREAS Article 10 Citizenship states:

1. Definition (amended January 2004) -

- a) "Métis" means a person, who self identifies as Métis, is distinct from other Aboriginal peoples, is of historic Métis Nation Ancestry and is accepted by the Métis Nation
- b) "Historic Métis Nation" means the Aboriginal people then known as Métis or Half-breeds who resided in the Historic Métis Nation Homeland
- c) "Historic Métis Nation Homeland" means the area of west central North America used and occupied as the traditional territory of the Métis or Half-breeds as they were known
- d) "Métis Nation" means the Aboriginal people descended from the Historic Métis Nation which is now comprised of all Métis Nation citizens and is one of the "Aboriginal peoples of Canada", within the meaning of s.35 of the Constitution Act 1982
- e) "Distinct from other Aboriginal peoples" means distinct for culture and nationhood purposes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Western Region III of the MN-S strongly recommends all local Presidents, board members and affiliates of the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) have citizenship cards or must be in the process of obtaining their Métis Citizenship within 30 days from April 14, 2019.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

7.5 Community Engagement for Constitutional and Governance Changes

During discussion, it was suggested that the motion presented be withdrawn and submitted to the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs or the PMC for review.

With support from the Seconder, the Mover withdrew the motion (as indicated below).

It was MOVED (Wendy Gervais) and SECONDED (Marilyn Fazakas)

WHEREAS the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Constitution ARTICLE 7.1: LOCALS states that “The Locals shall be the basic unit of the Organization in each community”;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Constitution ARTICLE 5.10 states that “The Regional Council shall provide direction to their representatives on the Provincial Métis Council with respect to all matters, including the aims, objectives and aspirations of the Organization, and for their respective Regions.” (Amended June 26, 1997)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the MNLA directs the PMC to ensure that the grassroots people of the Locals and Regions are informed, consulted, and engaged with any Constitutional or Governance changes; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all Constitutional and Governance changes be brought back to the MNLA to be ratified prior to the implementation of such structures.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

Health Break

The Assembly recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened at 3:45 p.m.

7.6 Remaining Resolutions Tabled

Vice President Morin referenced the Assembly’s earlier approval of the resolutions on “Financial Impact and Legal Review of Resolutions” and “Constitutional Reform Process” which provided a process for review of the remaining resolutions submitted in the Agenda for consideration.

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Jo Daigneault)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) directs that the following resolutions presented for consideration at the April 14, 2019 MNLA, be tabled to be assessed in the Constitutional Reform Process (by the Finance Committee and Legal Counsel):

- Resolution #6 – MN-S Provincial Election of Les Fille de Madelaine Secretariat Inc.
- Resolution #7 – Métis Women of Saskatchewan (Les Fille de Madelaine) Vacancy
- Resolution #8 – Inclusion of Métis Women and Métis Youth on the next Election Ballot
- Resolution #9 – Involving Métis Citizens on Standing Committee
- Resolution #10 – Maintaining Order of the Day at MNLA
- Resolution #11 – Amendment to the MNLA Act to the Order of the Day
- Resolution #12 – Legislation to Create the National Flag of the MN-S Act
- Resolution #13 – Legislation to Create a MN-S Official Languages Act
- Resolution #14 – Legislation Create a Duty to Consult and Accommodate / Land Claims Act
- Resolution #15 – Creation of a Judiciary Council of the MN-S
- Resolution #15.1 – Proposing Amendments related to Resolution #15
- Resolution #15.2 – Proposing Amendments related to Resolution #15
- Resolution #15.3 – Proposing Amendments related to Resolution #15
- Resolution #15.4 – Proposing Amendments related to Resolution #15
- Resolution #16 – Amending the Constitution regarding Governance Practices
- Resolution #16.1 – Amending the Constitution to Establish a Special Meeting of the MNLA
- Resolution #16.2 – Enabling citizens to Ensure a Special Meeting of the MNLA occurs
- Resolution #16.3 – Enabling removal of Members of the MN-S Leadership

- Resolution #16.4 – Ensuring the MNLA is a Consensus Government
- Resolution #17 – Amendments to the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act
- Resolution #17.1 – Enabling Voting Technology
- Resolution #17.2 – Enacting a Ranked Ballot Election Process
- Resolution #17.3 – Requiring a Vote of Confidence rather than Acclamation
- Resolution #18 – Proposed Legislation to Create a MNLA Conflict of Interest Act
- Resolution #19 – Resolutions for the Executive and PMC on Defining Better Relationships
- Resolution #19.1 – Providing Direction on Other Organizations Claiming a Métis Identity
- Resolution #19.2 – Recognizing Métis Organizations in the Historic Métis Homeland
- Resolution #19.3 – Establishing an Analogous Body to the MNC in the US.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-12)

79 Delegates voted in favour

10 Delegates voted in opposition

4 Delegates abstained from the vote

7.7 Additional Resolution – Assisting the Locals

During discussion, it was clarified that although the Constitution did not specify roles or responsibilities of the Provincial Secretary, future consideration could be given to including the Executive's roles in the Constitution.

Point of Order

The Speaker dismissed a Delegate's request for a Point of Order, after confirming that the Interim Treasurer only had one vote at the Assembly.

It was MOVED (Joe Daigneault) and SECONDED (Melvina Goulet)

WHEREAS the role of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council Secretary may have been to interact with the MN-S Locals;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the MN-S Secretary be allowed discretion, with the pre-approval of Regional Directors, to assist Locals as required.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-13)

52 Delegates voted in favour

30 Delegates voted in opposition

11 Delegates abstained from the vote

7.8 Additional Resolution – Establishing an Independent Métis Judicial Court

The Speaker ruled the proposed resolution to be out of order, as it implied a Constitutional amendment.

7.9 Additional Resolution – Rescinding the MN-S Framework Agreement with Federal Government

The Speaker ruled the proposed resolution to be out of order, as it pertained to a matter of old business that had been previously determined.

8. BUDGET 2019-2020

CEO Quintal referred to the 2019-2020 budget summary and budget details provided for the MNLA, Governance, Citizenship, Duty to Consult, Financial Management, Métis Nation Table on Climate Change, Métis Women in Saskatchewan, and Health/CPAC. Feedback was welcomed on the allocation of funds held “In Trust”, for Early Learning and Child Care and for Housing.

Earl Cook, Minister of Finance, led the Assembly in a review of the information provided, and commented on funding anticipated (i.e. to support post-secondary education, the registry, etc.)

It was MOVED (Marg Friesen) and SECONDED (Don LeFoy)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation, Legislative Assembly accept as presented, the budget titled “Métis Nation of Saskatchewan, Budget 2019/2020”.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-14)

76 Delegates voted in favour

5 Delegates voted in opposition

2 Delegates abstained from the vote

9. ERNST & YOUNG REPORT

Evan Shoforost, Ernst & Young (EY) referred the Assembly to the information provided, noting that EYs duties were now complete, and extended best wishes to the MN-S for the future.

It was MOVED (Mervin “Tex” Bouvier) and SECONDED (Percy Kenny)

WHEREAS Section 5(a) of the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan (MN-S) Secretariat Inc. provides that the audited financial statements of the Secretariat be placed before the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following be accepted as presented:

- Ernst & Young Inc.’s Report to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, dated March 26, 2019
- Audited statements of the MN-S Secretariat for 2017-2018, completed by Laskowski and Wright, LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants
- Audited statements of the MN-S Secretariat for February 16, 2016 to March 31, 2016, completed by Laskowski and Wright, LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-15)

73 Delegates voted in favour

0 Delegates voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Marg Friesen)

That Laskowski and Wright, LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants be retained as Auditors for the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. for the fiscal year 2018-2019, ending March 31, 2019.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-16)

78 Delegates voted in favour

0 Delegates voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

CONCLUSION and CLOSING PRAYER

Thanks were extended to the Speaker for his facilitation at the Assembly. Elder Norman Fleury offered a Closing Prayer.

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Adam McInnes)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, held April 14, 2019, now conclude.

CARRIED (MNLA190414-17)

(Time: 5:35 p.m.)

65 Delegates voted in favour

0 Delegates voted in opposition

0 Delegates abstained from the vote

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SIGNED AND CERTIFIED as a correct record of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) held April 14, 2019, by the duly appointed Speaker and Deputy Speaker.

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MNLA Speaker Mike Nolan

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MNLA Deputy Speaker Joe Blyan

LIST OF APPENDICES

The following items are attached to these minutes:

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APPENDIX #1

**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN
MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

held April 14, 2019

LIST OF REGISTERED VOTING DELEGATES

RR – Denotes “Regional Representatives” | As provided by Assembly Registration Staff

<p>Northern Region #1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Augier, Allen 2. Burnouf, Laura 3. Cook, Earl (RR) 4. Fiss, Curtis 5. Lavallee, Lorna 6. Natomagon, Sharon 	<p>Northern Region #2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hanson, Marlene 2. Herman, Dean 3. Montgrand, John 4. Montgrand, Leonard (RR) 5. Shewchuk, Keith 6. Wagner, Matilda 	<p>Northern Region #3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bouvier, Mervin “Tex” (RR) 2. Daigneault, Joe 3. Durocher, Jimmy 4. Kenny, Fred 5. Kenny, Percy 6. Lafleur, Euginie 7. Laliberte, Patsy 8. Maurice, Lisa 9. Natomagon, Mike 10. Roy, Kelvin 	<p>Eastern Region #1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Carriere, Ryan (RR) 2. Favel, Gerald 3. Morin, Gerald
<p>Eastern Region #2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bell, Viola 2. Digness, Brent 3. Genaille, Dianne 4. Johnson, Helene 5. Soll, Sherry (RR) 6. St. Denis, Marshall 7. Yip, Sheila 	<p>Eastern Region #2A</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Genaille, Richard 2. Langan, Derek (RR) 3. Langan, Ron 4. Paul, Wayne 5. Potyondi, Joanna 	<p>Eastern Region #3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ducharme, Alma 2. Friesen, Marg (RR) 3. Kapell, Shelley 4. Klyne, Stewart 5. LaCroix, Virginia 6. LaFoy, Don 7. Poitras, Leebert 8. Roberts, Tracy 9. Sopp, Linda 	<p>Western Region #1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bell, Michael 2. Brady, Theresa 3. Jodoin, Sharmaine 4. King, Loretta (RR) 5. Poitras, Angela 6. Pouliot, Margie 7. Pritchett, Melanie
<p>Western Region #1A</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fielder, Carla 2. Kennedy, Billy (RR) 3. Kennedy, Ralph 4. Racette, Crystal 5. Trotchie, Becky 	<p>Western Region #2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bannerman, Cary 2. Berube, Darlene 3. Blanche, Pott 4. Dubray, Candy 5. Goulet, Melvina 6. Guillet, Victor 7. Joannette, Jeff 8. Lee, Brian 9. Martel, Victor 10. McLennan, Sherry (RR) 11. Neufeldt, Wanda 12. Regnier, Connie 13. Sayese, George 14. Sinclair, Gary 	<p>Western Region #2A</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Card, Barbara Ann 2. Falcon, Barry 3. Hurton, Penny (RR) 4. Isbister, Shirley 5. McInnes, Adam 6. Maurice, Faye 7. Quiring-Remier, Dawn 8. Unrau, Shannon 9. Whitford, Wayne 10. Wright, Chad 	<p>Western Region #3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brooks, Dennis 2. Fazakas, Marilyn 3. Gervais, Wendy (RR) 4. Trudel, Laverne 5. Woelk, Ron
<p>Youth</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bell, Jaycee (Chair) 2. Chartrand, Fritz 3. Sinclair, Jordan 4. St. Denis, Brittney 5. Sylvester, Ranelle 	<p>Les Filles des Madeline</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delorme, Carol 2. King, Gwen 3. Langan, Darlene 4. Mah, Tammy (Chair) 5. White, Brenda 	<p>Executive</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. McCallum, Glen 2. McCallum, Lisa 3. Morin, Gerald 	

APPENDIX #2

MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN (MN-S) MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (MNLA)

held April 14, 2019

LIST OF INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided with the Agenda

1. Agenda for the April 14, 2019 MNLA
2. Draft Resolution: Adoption of the Agenda for the April 14, 2019 MNLA
3. Draft Resolution: Appointment of Speaker and Deputy Speaker
4. Draft Resolution: Acceptance of Porcupine Plain
5. Draft Resolution: Appointment of the Dumont Scouts
6. Draft Resolution: Approval of the Ministerial Appointments
7. Notice of the April 14, 2019 MNLA with a letter from the Office of the President
8. Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly, held April 14-15, 2018
9. Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Assembly, held April 15, 2018
10. Draft Resolution: Establishing an Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Jurisdiction of a Judicial Tribunal, and attached Terms of Reference for an Ad Hoc Committee
11. Draft Resolution: Approval of Audited Statements for 2017-18 and Appointment of Auditor 2018-2019
12. Ministerial Report: Minister of Finance
13. MN-S Budget 2019-2020
14. Ernst & Young Inc. Report dated March 26, 2019
15. Auditor's Report (Laskowski & Wright LLP) of the MN-S Secretariat Inc. 2017-18
16. Report of the Chief Executive Officer to the April 12-13, 2019 MNLA
17. Ministerial Report: Provincial Citizenship Registry
18. Ministerial Report: Child Family Services
19. Ministerial Report: Education (and attached Financial Statements of Gabriel Dumont Institute of Native Studies and Applied Research, Inc. for the year ended March 31, 2018)
20. Ministerial Report: Health
21. Ministerial Report: Heritage and Language
22. Ministerial Report: Environment
23. Ministerial Report: Back to Batoche
24. Ministerial Report: Veterans
25. Ministerial Report: Tourism
26. Report to the MNLA: Provincial Métis Housing Corporation
27. Report to the MNLA: Métis Addictions Council of Saskatchewan Inc.
28. Draft Resolution: Appointment of the Registrar
29. Regional Report: Northern Region 2
30. Regional Report: Northern Region 3
31. Regional Report: Western Region 1
32. Regional Report: Western Region 2
33. Regional Report: Western Region 3
34. Regional Report: Eastern Region 1
35. Regional Report: Eastern Region 2
36. Regional Report: Eastern Region 2A
37. Regional Report: Eastern Region 3
38. Report to the MNLA: Les Fille de Madelaine Secretariat Inc.

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- 39.** Report to the MNLA: Youth Council
- 40.** Summary of MN-S Provincial Métis Council Meetings held June 2018 - March 2019, prepared by Raincoast Ventures Ltd.
- 41.** Vice President's Report to the MNLA
- 42.** Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
- 43.** Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act
- 44.** The Métis Act
- 45.** Draft Resolutions Submitted for Consideration at the MNLA (Resolutions #1 - #19.3)