



MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	CABINET MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	October 17, 2022	Time:	9:00 am
Minutes Prepared By:	Susan Gillette	Location:	Microsoft Teams

Attendees

Participating Cabinet: President Lissa Smith, Vice-President Walter Mineault, Ministers Patrick Harriott, Shaughn Davoren, Dr. Kate Elliott, Debra Fisher, Paulette Flamond, Raynie Gervais and Susie Hooper

Staff: Colette Trudeau – CEO, John Bieker – Director of Cabinet Operations and Internal Governance, Susan Gillette - Cabinet Secretariat Coordinator, Kayla Brow – Executive Coordinator, Anna Maione – Chief Financial Officer, Nick Hosseinzadeh – Senior Director – Communications and Economic Development, Katie Trace – Senior Director – S.T.E.P.S., Anca McHollister – Director – S.T.E.P.S.

Regrets: Ministers Louis De Jaeger and Dean Gladue

Guest: Russell Currie, Principal, ICGE Management Consultants

1. Welcome

At 9:04 am, President Lissa Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

President Lissa Smith and Minister Hooper acknowledged the traditional territory of the Algonquin peoples of which they were calling from.

Vice President Mineault acknowledged the Kelly Lake Métis Society and the traditional territory of the Dunne-za of which he was calling from.

Region 1 - Minister Harriott acknowledged the Métis Nation of Greater Victoria and traditional territory of the W̱SÁNEĆ peoples of which he was calling from.

Region 4 - Minister Fisher acknowledged the Columbia Valley Métis Association and traditional shared territory of the Ktunaxa and Secwepemc Nations of which she was calling from.

Region 5 - Minister Gervais acknowledged the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh of which he was calling from.

Region 7 - Minister Flamond acknowledged the Kelly Lake Métis Society and the traditional territory of the Dunne-za of which she was calling from.

BC Women Chair - Minister Elliott acknowledged the Métis Nation of Greater Victoria and the traditional territory of the Lekwungen of which she was calling from.

BC Youth Chair - Minister Davoren acknowledged the traditional territory of the Secwepemc Nation of which he was calling from.



Staff at HQ - Our work takes place on the traditional and ancestral lands of the Semiahmoo, Katzie, Kwikwetlem, Kwantlen, Qayqayt and Tsawwassen First Nations. We respectfully acknowledge their stewardship of this land since time immemorial. MNBC recognizes the 38 Métis Chartered Communities we serve across British Columbia.

1.2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Harriott

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the Cabinet meeting agenda of October 17, 2022 was adopted with the following amendments:

1. Rocky Mountain – Update – Debra Fisher
2. In-Camera Session with Board of Directors and Colette Trudeau

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Hooper

SECONDED: Minister Harriot

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the September 21 and 22, 2022 Cabinet Meetings be approved with the following amendment to the Minutes of September 22, 2022 as follows:

Section 2 Draft Communications Plan/Strategy:

- Re-affirmed that any external MNBC communications be sent to Cabinet for review before it is released to the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Correspondence

1. September 26, 2022 Métis Settlement General Council – Letter to the Honourable Marc Miller
2. September 28, 2022 – Ombudsperson, Province of British Columbia – Letter to President Smith

Copies of the correspondence was provided to attendees prior to the meeting.

The correspondence was adopted as presented.



3. MNBC University College

Anca McHollister provided an overview on the vision and next steps related to creating MNBC's Institute for Information. The Ministry of Skills, Training, Employment and Post-Secondary (S.T.E.P.S.) has received \$250,000 in 2022-2023 funding from the provincial government (AEST) to support the creation of a Métis controlled post-secondary institute.

S.T.E.P.S. put out an RFP and engaged ICGE Management Consultants to develop the business and feasibility plans, which were completed earlier this year, with Russell Currie, Principal, leading the efforts.

Russell Currie updated the Cabinet with the proposed vision for the Institute, projected three-year operational budget and implementation of the business plan.

Discussions included proposed names for the institute, whether classes would be online/hybrid or in-person and curriculum content.

The presentation was for information purposes only, any decisions required for organizational changes and/or governance structure for the Institute will be brought back to the Board for decision at that time.

Shaughn Davoren joined the meeting at 9:42 am

Minister Gervais joined the meeting at 9:55 am

President Smith thanked Russell, Anca and Katie for their work on this project.

4. Kermode Friendship Centre Totem Pole Funding

Minister Hooper requested a donation be made on behalf of MNBC for the recent installation of a totem pole at the Kermode Friendship Centre in Terrace.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Hooper

SECONDED: Minister Fisher

RESOLVED:

THAT Cabinet approves funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Kermode Friendship Centre, to support the new totam pole.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



5. MNC Annual General Assembly – Review Resolutions

Resolutions: Submitted to the 2022 Métis National Council

Submitted to: Louise Simard, MNC

Date Submitted: October 12, 2022

1. Establishing Governing Members Policy Tables

Amendments: Move e. Children in Care up and rename it Children and Families.

2. Creation of Bylaws Review Committee

Resolution approved by Cabinet.

3. MNC Funding Formula

Amendments: Remove: F. Equal Funding for Governing Members has been modeled successfully through the funding of Métis Capital Corporations.

Action: John Bieker will make amendments and resubmit to MNC

Recessed for break at 11:09 am – reconvened at 11:25 am

6. MNC Duties and Responsibilities - Clarification

A Motion from January 2021 appointed the Vice President as MNBC's representative on the Métis National Council. A Motion has been brought forward to re-appoint the President as MNBC's representative on the MNC.

MOTION:

MOVED: Vice President Mineault

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the Motion relating to the appointment of MNBC's representative on the Métis National Council (MNC) be replaced by the following policy statement:

Effective October 2022, the person serving as MNBC's representative on the MNC Board of Governors will be the elected MNBC President, except when, in unusual circumstances, the Board of Directors finds it necessary to appoint another Board Member to serve in this capacity.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



7. LOGO Update

Nick Hosseinzadeh provided Cabinet with three options for the new MNBC logo. Cabinet preferred the option with the original blue log.

Discussions included:

- Availability of merchandise with the new logo potentially including toques, golfers caps and jackets;
- Ensuring Citizens are advised that the new logo is not replacing the MNBC flag;

Nick will work with Culture, Heritage and Language around messaging and pricing for merchandise featuring the new logo.

President Smith thanked Nick and his team for their work.

8. Financial Update – Anna Maione

FY2022-2023 MNBC Report - September 30, 2022

Anna provided Cabinet with an overview of the FY2022-2023 MNBC Financial Report dated September 30, 2022.

Discussions included:

- RGC funding allotment and allocation per regions;
- Increased costs for travel to RGCs;
- Reminders for Cabinet members to submit their travel expenses in a timely manner;
- Increased costs for Cabinet travel and salaries;
- Planning for Cabinet Professional Development and Training.

President Smith thanked Anna Maione and her team for their work in preparing the FY2022-2023 MNBC Report, dated September 30, 2022.

Action: John Bieker to review/amend the Board Policy Manual guidelines around submitting travel and other expenses.

Recessed for lunch at 12:38 pm - reconvened at 1:20 pm



9. Meeting Moved In-Camera at 2:23 pm

MOTION:

MOVED: Vice President Mineault

SECONDED: Minister Harriott

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting goes in-camera at 2:23 pm.

10. Meeting Moved Out-of-Camera at 4:10 pm

MOTION:

MOVED: Vice President Mineault

SECONDED: Minister Gervais

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting goes out-of-camera at 4:10 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:10 pm

The meeting adjourned by consensus.



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Approval Sheet

Approved by:

President

Approved by:

Secretary

Date: November 14, 2022