



MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	BOARD MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	July 10, 2023	Time:	9:00 am
Minutes Prepared By:	Susan Gillette	Location:	Microsoft Teams

Attendees

Participating Board of Directors: President Lissa Smith, Vice President Walter Mineault, Ministers Patrick Harriott, Dean Gladue, Shaughn Davoren, Susie Hooper, Debra Fisher, Kate Elliott, Paulette Flamond and Raynie Gervais. Minister Louis De Jaeger (joined the meeting at 9:25 am).

Staff: Colette Trudeau – CEO; John Bieker – Chief Governance Officer; Barinder Lalli - Board Committee Coordinator; Kayla Brow – Manager of Executive Operations; Anna Maione – Chief Financial Officer; Ken Bourdeau – A/Senior Director – Ministry of Housing and Homelessness; Susan Gillette – Board Secretariat Coordinator; Dillon McLellan, Manager of Housing and Homelessness Support Programs

1. Welcome

At 9:01 AM, President Lissa Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting. Minister Gervais conducted an opening prayer.

1.1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

President Lissa Smith acknowledged the Malahat First Nation and traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples and the home of the Métis Nation of Greater Victoria of which she was calling from.

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

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

Region 2 - Minister De Jaeger acknowledged the Chilliwack Métis Association and traditional territory of the Sto:lo people of which he was calling from.

Region 3 – Minister Gladue acknowledged the traditional territory of the Secwepemc Nation 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 6 - Minister Hooper acknowledged the Tri-River Métis Community traditional territory of the Gidimt'en of which she 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 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 Gervais

RESOLVED:

THAT the Board meeting agenda of July 10, 2023 be approved with the following addition:

- Minister Rankin Meeting - Update

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Hooper

SECONDED: Minister Gladue

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the June 12, 2023 Board Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED with one abstention

1.4 Updates on Action Items

1. BC Federation of Parent Advisory – CEO will follow up with Sharlene Wedel **(IN PROGRESS)**
2. Financial Update – CEO will follow up with CFO to ensure distribution to Board members **(IN PROGRESS)**
3. Regional Reports – Website discussion **(COMPLETE)**
4. June 12, 2023 - UNDA Action Plan – a technical briefing meeting will be set up for the Board – CEO will follow up with Melanie Walker – Director of Métis Rights, Negotiations and Justice **(IN PROGRESS)**
5. First Nations Relationships Strategic Plan – moving towards completion **(IN PROGRESS)**
6. June 12, 2023 – Roll Call Voting **(IN PROGRESS)**
7. June 12, 2023 - Emergency Updates on MNBC Websites – CEO will follow up with Communications. **(IN-PROGRESS)**



2. President's Report

President Smith provided an update on her recent activities and future events, including:

- First Nations Justice Strategy – hoping to have the Justice Strategy signed by the Provincial Cabinet today, from there, a signing event will be set up as soon as possible.
- Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Annual General Assembly (AGM)
- Batoche 2023 – Manager of Executive Operations Kayla Brown provided an update on logistics for board members attending Back to Batoche 2023.

3. CGO Presentation

Director Reports for AGM Booklets

The CGO reminded Board members to prepare their reports for the AGM booklet. A combined monthly report template will be forwarded to board members who have submitted monthly reports.

A firm date for submission of Director Reports will be sent to board members as soon as possible.

Board Meeting Summaries – Report to Staff

Board Operations will prepare and post to SharePoint, a report to MNBC staff containing a summary of highlights of board meetings. This report will not be an official record of the meeting.

3.1 CEO Evaluation Template

The CGO worked with the People and Culture Committee to prepare the CEO evaluation template to be completed by Board members. The online form is available in Onboard. An email with a link to the online form will be sent out today. The CEO Evaluation form is due to be completed by August 4, 2023.

Break

Recessed for break at 10:24 am – reconvened at 10:45 am

3.2 Youth Engagement Committee Vacancy

Current members of the Youth Engagement Committee are President Smith (Ex Officio), Minister Davoren, Minister Gervais, and Minister Hooper.

Vice President Mineault volunteered as a member of the Youth Engagement Committee.



4. Appointment of Ministers or Associate Ministers for Tourism and for Agriculture and Food Sovereignty

Two new ministries were established at the April 20, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting – Ministry of Tourism and the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security. The Board of Directors appointed new Ministers and Associate Ministers as follows:

Tourism

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors appoints Louis De Jaeger as Minister of Tourism, and Dean Gladue as Associate Minister of Tourism.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agriculture and Food Sovereignty

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Harriott

SECONDED: Minister Gervais

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors appoints Susie Hooper as Minister of Agriculture and Food Sovereignty, and Paulette Flamond as Associate Minister of Agriculture and Food Sovereignty.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Arrangements are being made for Leona Shaw, Senior Director of Environment Protection and Natural Resources and Minister Hooper to provide a presentation on environmental protection to the Executive Committee or the full board.

5. Housing Update (Presentation)

The Acting Senior Director of the Ministry of Housing and Homelessness introduced Dillon McLellan, Manager of Housing and Homelessness Support programs who joined the meeting to provide an overview of the Housing and Homelessness Support programs for July 2023 including citizen testimonials, topics included:

- Housing and Homelessness Support Programs 2023
 - Ma Nîḱi Seniors Home Renovation Program
 - Métis Housing Rent Support Program
 - Reaching Home Homelessness Services
 - Welcome Home Kits
- Overview of housing and childcare projects in regions 1-7
- Expressions of Interest in Process



5.1 Support Program Guidelines (Approval)

The Board of Directors reviewed a recommendation allowing for changes to the program guidelines and eligibility criteria for the Métis Rent Supplement Program, the Ma Nîki Seniors Renovation Program, and the Reaching Home Program, allowing for the ongoing sustainable operations of these vital programs.

MOVED: Minister Fisher

SECONDED: Minister Gladue

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the SIDC Committee, approve the submitted changes to the program guidelines and eligibility criteria for:

Métis Rent Supplement Program;
Ma Nîki Seniors Renovation Program; and
Reaching Home Program.

CARRIED with one abstention

Vice President Mineault left the meeting at 11:43 am. He rejoined the meeting at 12:15 pm.

Lunch

Recessed for lunch at 12:55 pm - reconvened 1:35 pm

5.2 Social Infrastructure Development Expression of Interest

The Board of Directors reviewed a recommendation allowing for a pause in the acceptance of Chartered Community Social Infrastructure Development Expression of Interest applications until October 1, 2023. This will allow for the Social Infrastructure Development Committee to work through and prioritize existing applications in accordance with the Board-approved process.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Fisher

SECONDED: Minister Gladue

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the SIDC Committee, direct staff to pause acceptance of Chartered Community Social Infrastructure Development Expression of Interest applications until October 1, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



6. Committee Meeting Minutes (Information)

The following committee meeting minutes were received for information:

- Métis Rights and Self-Government Committee [2023-06-14]
- Governance and Policy Committee [2023-06-13]
- 2SLGBTQIA+ Advisory Committee [2023-06-19]
- Social Infrastructure Development Committee [2023-06-29]
- Métis Business Advisory Committee [2023-06-29]

7. Record of Decisions (Information)

A Record of Decisions was received for information.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:41 pm

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Fisher


SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval Sheet

Approved by:  President

Approved by:  Secretary

Date: August 14, 2023