

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	September 22, 2024	Time:	12:28 PM
Minutes Prepared By:	Rachel Ouellette	Location:	Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown Hotel – Point Grey Room

ATTENDEES

Participating Board of Directors:

President Walter Mineault
 Vice-President Melanie Allard
 Minister Allan Lavallee
 Minister Carmen Carriere
 Minister Danielle Bergevin
 Minister Dean Gladue
 Minister Debra Fisher
 Minister Patrick Harriott
 Minister Paulette Flamond
 Minister Raynie Gervais
 Minister Susie Hooper

Participating Staff:

Colette Trudeau, Chief Executive Officer
 John Bieker, Chief Governance Officer
 Peter Csicsai, Chief Relations Officer
 Marc Riddell, Director of Communications
 Kayla Brow, Manager of Executive Operations
 Barinder Lalli, Board Operations Manager
 Rachel Ouellette, Board Secretariat Coordinator

Note: The agenda was varied by unanimous consent throughout the meeting. The minutes are recorded in the order listed on the agenda. Items added to the agenda at the meeting are at the end of these minutes.

1. Welcome

President Mineault called the meeting to order at 12:28 PM and welcomed everyone. Minister Gladue provided an opening prayer.

2. Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

The Chief Executive Officer acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the unceded traditional territories of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations which is also the chosen home of the Vancouver Sea-to-Sky Chartered Community.

3. Adoption of Meeting Agendas
MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Gervais

SECONDED: Minister Gladue

RESOLVED:

THAT the agenda of the September 22, 2024, Board of Directors meeting be approved with the addition of:

- Addition of “Presidency Economic Task Force Committee” to agenda item 6. Board Committee Structure

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Appointment of Secretary and Treasurer (APPROVAL)

Discussion ensued regarding the appointments for the Secretary and Treasurer positions. It was recommended that Minister Fisher be appointed as Secretary and Minister Harriott as Treasurer. It was acknowledged that Executives have a heavier workload, which justifies their higher compensation within those positions.

While there was some discussion about a potential two-year term, the consensus favored maintaining a four-year term to ensure knowledge retention and consistency. It was also noted that if a Director needs to leave the Executive position, reappointment would be necessary and would return to the Board for approval. Ultimately, the Board agreed to keep the four-year term, understanding that any need for a Director to step down would be addressed as it arises.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Carriere

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby appoints Debra Fisher as Secretary, and Patrick Harriott as Treasurer for the 2024-2028 Board term.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Appointment of MNBC Signing Authorities (APPROVAL)

The proposed motion was reviewed, and clarification was provided regarding the chain of approvals.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorse the following signing authorities for the Métis Provincial Council of British Columbia:

- 1) For payments via cheque, electronic funds transfer, or any other format, two of the following three persons: Walter Mineault, Patrick Harriott, and Colette Trudeau
- 2) For any agreements that bind the Métis Provincial Council of British Columbia, either of the following persons: Walter Mineault or Colette Trudeau.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Board Committee Structure (APPROVAL)

The proposed Board Committee Structure was reviewed. It was requested that the Presidential Economic Task Force Committee be reinstated, and that the TOR be referred to the Governance and Policy Committee for review and endorsement.

The review covered committee structures, stressing the importance of achieving quorum at meetings. Improving participation and establishing a master calendar were suggested as ways to enhance this. The proposed changes included the reorganization of committees, such as placing the Elders Committee under the Citizens Advisory Committee, pending the creation of TOR and appointment of committee members. Additionally, the Justice, Rights, Public Relations, and Intergovernmental Committees will be consolidated into the Strategic Relations and Initiatives Committee.

It was noted that the Executive Committee will shift to bi-weekly meetings instead of weekly. Additionally, it was proposed to schedule committee meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Finally, the committee rules and expectations were reviewed.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Lavallee

SECONDED: Minister Harriott

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorses the formation of the following Committees:

- Awards and Recognition Committee
- Environment Advisory Committee
- Executive Committee
- Exploratory Committee - Métis Credit Union
- Finance and Audit Committee
- Governance and Policy Committee
- Métis Business Advisory Committee
- People and Culture Committee
- Social Infrastructure Development Committee
- Strategic Relations and Initiatives Committee
- Presidential Economic Task Force Committee

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Approval of Committee TOR's (APPROVAL)

An overview of the updated Terms of Reference (TORs) for the proposed committees was reviewed, clarifying that only Board members have voting rights, while staff on committees do not vote. It was noted that the term "Homelessness and Poverty Reduction" be replaced with "Unhoused and Poverty Reduction" in the relevant TORs. Additionally, the economic development component will be removed from the Strategic Relations TOR when the new Presidential Task Force Committee is established.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Fisher

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorses the following Committee Terms of References:

- Awards and Recognition Committee
- Environment Advisory Committee
- Executive Committee

- Exploratory Committee - Métis Credit Union
- Finance and Audit Committee
- Governance and Policy Committee
- Métis Business Advisory Committee
- People and Culture Committee
- Social Infrastructure Development Committee
- Strategic Relations and Initiatives Committee

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Appointment of Ministry Portfolios (APPROVAL)

The proposed recommendations for assigning Ministry Portfolios were reviewed. It was proposed to include Minister Hooper as an Associate Minister of Health and Wellness, prompting a need to update the corresponding TOR.

It was noted that overviews of each Ministry were included in the Transition Binders sent out before the Board Onboarding session. Additionally, it was mentioned that the Minister of Veterans has been temporarily removed from the Ministry Appointment list and may be reinstated later.

A request was made from the Senate for a Senate Liaison position, with Minister Harriott being nominated for the position by the Senate.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Lavallee

SECONDED: Minister Harriott

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorses the following Ministerial appointments:

- Minister of Agriculture and Food Security – Paulette Flamond
- Minister of Children and Families – Debra Fisher
- Associate Minister of Children and Families – Allan Lavallee
- Minister of Citizenship – Susie Hooper
- Minister of Culture, Heritage and Language – Patrick Harriott
- Associate Minister of Culture, Heritage and Language – Raynie Gervais
- Minister of Digital Government – Patrick Harriott
- Minister of Economic Development, Tourism, Partnership Development – Walter Mineault
- Associate Minister of Economic Development, Tourism, Partnership Development – Dean Gladue
- Minister of Education (Early Learning | K-12) – Debra Fisher
- Minister of Elders – Raynie Gervais
- Associate Minister of Elders – Allan Lavallee
- Minister of Employment and Training; Minister of Post-Secondary Education – Paulette Flamond
- Minister of Environment, Climate Change – Susie Hooper
- Minister of Health and Wellness – Carmen Carriere
- Associate Minister of Health and Wellness – Susie Hooper
- Minister of Poverty Reduction and Unhoused – Patrick Harriott
- Minister of Housing – Walter Mineault

- Minister of Justice - Melanie Allard
- Associate Minister of Justice – Patrick Harriott
- Minister of Mental Health and Harm Reduction – Danielle Bergevin
- Minister of Métis Rights – Dean Gladue
- Associate Minister of Métis Rights – Patrick Harriott
- Minister of Sport and Active Living – Dean Gladue
- Senate Liaison – Patrick Harriott

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Approval of Committee Membership (APPROVAL)

Discussion included a review of the proposed Committee Membership. It was noted that Vice-President Allard and Minister Carriere will be included on the 2SLGBTQIA+ Committee.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Harriott

SECONDED: Vice-President Allard

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorses the following Committee appointments:

- **Awards and Recognition Committee:** President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Bergevin, Minister Harriott, Minister Fisher, and Minister Gervais
- **Environment Advisory Committee:** President Mineault, Minister Lavallee, Minister Hooper, and Minister Flamond
- **Executive Committee:** President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Harriott, and Minister Fisher
- **Credit Union Exploratory Committee:** Métis Credit Union – President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Gladue, and Minister Flamond
- **Finance and Audit Committee:** President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Harriott, Minister Lavallee, and Minister Fisher
- **Governance and Policy Committee:** President Mineault, Vice-President Allard, Minister Carriere, Minister Bergevin, Minister Harriott, and Minister Hooper
- **Métis Business Advisory Committee:** President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Gladue, and Minister Flamond
- **People and Culture Committee:** President Mineault, Minister Carriere, Minister Hooper, and Minister Flamond
- **Social Infrastructure Development Committee:** President Mineault, Minister Harriott, Minister Fisher, and Minister Gervais
- **Strategic Relations and Initiatives Committee:** President Mineault, Vice President Allard, Minister Harriott, Minister Gladue, and Minister Flamond

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Board Meeting Calendar (APPROVAL)

The Board Master Calendar was reviewed. It was clarified that a virtual option will always be available for Board meetings. Ministry meetings are scheduled for Wednesday mornings. Board members should inform staff of any planned vacation time to help adjust meetings accordingly. There is a goal to secure approval for Board meeting dates six months in advance to facilitate scheduling.

Board Members were advised to keep their calendars open in November and December in case any special Board meetings are called, specifically reserving Monday afternoons for this purpose.

ACTION ITEM (20240926-01): A virtual Board of Directors meeting to be scheduled September 26th from 9 AM to 12 PM PST.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Harriott

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors hereby endorses the following Board Meeting Schedule and venues:

- September 26, 2024 (Virtual)
- October 15, 2024 (Virtual)
- November 12 (Virtual)
- December 9 (Virtual)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Correspondence (INFORMATION)

The following document was distributed for information:

- Correspondence - Letter from Minister Murray Rankin

12. Break

Recessed for break at 2:50 PM– reconvened at 3:03 PM

13. Meeting Moves In-Camera

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Gladue

SECONDED: Minister Gervais

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting move in-camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting moved in-camera at 3:04 PM.

The meeting moved out of in-camera at 5:00 PM.

14. Actions Released from In-Camera Session

The following resolution was released from the September 22, 2024, In-Camera Board of Directors meeting:

THAT the terms of reference for the Fraser Salish Health Accord be amended from the MNBC Region 2 Director to the MNBC Region 2 Director or appointed Regional designate (Voting Member).

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors approves this motion to be released publicly.

15. Adjournment

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Lavallee

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

Approval Sheet

Approved by:  _____ President

Approved by:  _____ Secretary

Date: October 15, 2024