MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	MNGA GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE		
Date of Meeting:	July 24, 2025	**Time:**	5:35 PM
Minutes Prepared By:	Nicole Ludwig	**Location:**	Microsoft Teams

ATTENDEES

Participating Members:	**Participating Staff:**
Anthony Wingham, Region 2, Chair Caitlin Bird, Region 1 Sam Furlonger, MYBC Patrick Harriott, MNBC Board Travis Jobin, Region 4 Jamie-Lee Keith, Region3 Dawn McConnell, Region 6	Anisa White, Director of Governance Nicole Ludwig, Governance Manager

Regrets:

Peggy Olanski, Region 7
Marlene Swears, Region 5
Mia Yule, MWBC

1. Welcome

The Governance Manager noted that the person scheduled to Chair the meeting was unable to attend. Anthony Wingham, Region 2, assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order.

2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

MOTION:
MOVED: Caitlin Bird
SECONDED: Dawn McConnell
RESOLVED:
THAT the agenda of the July 24, 2025, MNGA Governance Committee meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes

MOTION:
MOVED: Travis Jobin
SECONDED: Dawn McConnell
RESOLVED:
THAT the minutes of the June 26, 2025, MNGA Governance Committee meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Update on Community Partnership Agreement

The Governance Manager advised that Minister Harriot, the Director of Governance, and herself had met with the MNBC CEO who provided some feedback on the proposed agreement, noting that the CEO encouraged staying away from the term “partner community” as this term has been claimed by other organizations purporting to represent Métis people.

In discussion, it was agreed to avoid the term “partner community” and suggested that a finding a word in Michif to describe it may be more useful. The Director of Governance agreed to assist with this.

In regard to the clause about options to send one or two Community representatives to the MNGA/AGM, Ms. Ludwig also noted that she had conferred with the Director of Events who disclosed that at least three months’ notice would be needed from Communities if the option to have additional people attend the MNGA was inserted, due to requirements around block room bookings.

In discussion it was noted that since MNGA dates are now established for a year, it is will be easier for Communities further in advance of the in-person MNGA, so the three-month deadline should be sufficient for Communities to get the information to MNBC.

5. MNBC Community Partnership Act

Members continued to review Section 3 of the proposed Community Act and developed some interim wording for most of the Guiding Principles. In discussion it was noted that an underlying additional principle should be *wahkootoowin* as that is the way Métis are connected.

6. Approval Timeline

Members discussed a potential approval timeline and requested an engagement session to be held at the MNBC AGM. Ms. Ludwig advised she already had a meeting with Community Engagement and would raise it with them for a report back at the next meeting.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM by unanimous consent.