

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	November 27, 2025	Time:	9:00 AM
Minutes Prepared By:	Rachel Ouellette via recording	Location:	Microsoft Teams

ATTENDEES

Participating Board of Directors:

Vice-President Melanie Allard
 Acting Vice-President Patrick Harriott
 Minister Allan Lavallee
 Minister Carmen Carriere
 Minister Danielle Bergevin
 Minister Dean Gladue
 Minister Louis De Jaeger
 Minister Paulette Flamond
 Minister Raynie Gervais
 Minister Susie Hooper

Participating Staff:

Marc Riddell, Executive Director, Communications and Community Engagement
 Tanya Davoren, Executive Director of Health and Wellness

Regrets:

Minister Debra Fisher
 Colette Trudeau, Chief Executive Officer

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. Reconvening of Meeting

Acting President Allard called the meeting to order at 9:14 AM.

2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda
MOTION:

MOVED: Acting Vice-President Harriott

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the agenda of the November 26, 2025, Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Conflict of Interest Declaration

It was noted that no Board members declared any conflicts of interest in relation to the approved agenda.

4. Adoption of Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Gladue

SECONDED: Minister De Jaeger

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the October 20, 2025, Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Action Item

20241209-01 Structure of Board of Director Meetings - The Governance and Policy Committee is reviewing the structure of Board meetings and working on proposing any relevant suggestions for updates to the meeting format. (In-Progress); and,

20250728-01 Chartered Community Funding Requests - Item brought forward at November 26, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting (Complete).

6. Discontinue Métis Business Advisory Committee (APPROVAL)

Discontinuing the Metis Business Advisory Committee was noted. It was highlighted that the Economic Development Ministers were included in discussion noting this committee is repetitive to other work.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister De Jaeger

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors approve discontinuing the Métis Business Advisory Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Funding Doulas Program to Support Métis Families (APPROVAL)

Tanya Davoren, Executive Director of Health and Wellness, joined the meeting at 9:19 AM.

It was highlighted that this item was discussed at the technical briefing, and the program budget was reviewed.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Carriere

SECONDED: Minister De Jaeger

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors approve the funding of \$200,000 from MNBC's Ministry of Health and Wellness to support the Doulas for Aboriginal Families Grant Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tanya Davoren, Executive Director of Health and Wellness, left the meeting at 9:21 AM.

8. Ministry of Youth UPIP Funding (DISCUSSION)

The Quarter 2 financial documents provided as information for the meeting indicate that a significant portion of Ministry of Youth (MOY) funding comes from Urban Programming for Indigenous Peoples (UPIP), raising concerns for next year as this funding stream is sunsetting. Planning will be required to assess the potential funding shortfall and its impacts on MOY programs and staffing. Several suggestions were discussed, including potentially moving MOY under the Ministry of Women and Gender Equity (MOWGE) to access broader funding resources, and having the Government Strategic Relations (GSR) team arrange meetings between Chair Bergevin and provincial or federal representatives. It was also noted that youth work is intersectional across all ministries. Additionally, it was proposed that Chair Bergevin's role as Associate Minister of Sport aligns well with youth programming, and she expressed willingness to serve as an associate minister in this capacity. Overall, the group emphasized the need for coordinated support from both the GSR and Grants teams to secure sustainable funding for youth initiatives.

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Gladue

SECONDED: Minister Flamond

RESOLVED:

THAT the MNBC Board of Directors appoint Danielle Bergevin as the Associate Minister of Sport.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Bergevin

RESOLVED:

THAT MNBC Board of Directors will designate Ministry of Youth funding as a top priority;

AND THAT elected leaders will receive a written or verbal report on Ministry of Youth funding on a monthly basis up to March 31, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Q2 Financial Update (INFORMATION)

Quarter 2 Financials was distributed to the Board for information.

10. Letters of Advocacy/Support in Healthcare BN (INFORMATION)

Letters of Advocacy/Support in Healthcare Briefing Note was distributed to the Board for information.

11. MNBC Sash Design (INFORMATION)

Updated information related to the MNBC Sash Design was distributed to the Board for information.

12. Board Report Submissions for Governance Events (INFORMATION)

Board Report Submissions for Governance Events was distributed to the Board for information.

13. Correspondence (INFORMATION)

Correspondence was distributed to the Board for information.

14. Committee Meeting Minutes (INFORMATION)

The following Committee Minutes were circulated to the Board of Directors for information:

- Executive Committee: 2025-10-01, 2025-10-10, 2025-10-15, and 2025-10-29
- Governance and Policy Committee: 2025-08-05
- Social Infrastructure and Development Committee: 2025-10-09
- Finance and Audit Committee: 2025-07-10

15. Record of Decisions (INFORMATION)

The Board of Directors Record of Decisions was distributed to the Board for information.

16. Closing Prayer

Minister Gladue provided a closing prayer.

17. Adjournment

MOTION:

MOVED: Acting Vice-President Harriott

SECONDED: Minister Flamond

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Approval Sheet

Approved by: Melanie Allard Acting President

Approved by: [Signature] Secretary

Date: December 15, 2026