

On September 7, 2024, Elect

Christopher J. Studney

MNBC Region 5 Director



Taanishi! My name is Christopher Studney and I was born and raised in Prince George, BC. I am a descendant of Urbain Delorme of St Francois Xavier, MB, as well as Elisa Delorme of Batoche, SK. I am a proud Metis business owner and father. I have previously served as a board member for the Prince George Metis Community Association.

Over the last 6 years I have developed a passion for Metis governance, self determination, community engagement and culture. To gain a better understanding of our future as a Nation, I have attended various meetings and conferences all over the country. I am passionate about relationship building and growing opportunities for our Metis families in the North Central to thrive. I am running for Region 5 director to serve our region with integrity and determination. If given that chance I will ensure that our region becomes a priority across multiple ministries, including housing, child care, food security, justice, and recognition of our section 35 rights. Ballots will be mailed out on August 12th by OneFeather.

Learn how to register to vote online or request a mail in ballot here:

<https://www.mnbc.ca/media/2887>

Tune in for the Region 5 Candidate Townhall on Monday, August 19th at 5-6:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID: 897 1439 4859 / Passcode: OneFeather

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Transparency

Ensure continued support and funding for Region 5 Chartered Communities, prioritizing strong connections with Chartered Community Presidents, Elders, Women's reps, and Youth reps.

Advocate for Métis representation on Indigenous Education Councils & important Provincial tables to ensure Métis children aren't left behind in Early Years & K-12

Invest the time required to repair relationships with First Nations rightsholders and the Assembly of First Nations

Socio-Economic Prosperity

Support funding for in-person mental health counselling, including opening a Métis-informed Drug and Alcohol treatment centre

Advocate for Region 5 Métis Housing developments to be a high priority, focusing on new builds, offering below market rental rates with built in maintenance fees, rent-to-own initiatives, and reserving unit for post secondary students (including mature students with families).

Increased funding for Métis Children & Family Agencies, Métis Child Care Builds, & programs that support Métis families

Respectful Partnerships

A Strong, reliable, and consistent voice for Region 5 at MNGA and MNBC Board of Director meetings. My decisions will reflect the needs of our citizens

Ensure any major infrastructure purchases that impact the environment or relationships with First Nations (such as pipelines) are decided by referendum using mail-in ballots

Engage MNBC citizens when it comes to any decisions regarding the MNC expert panel's research into the 7 MNO "newly recognized communities"

Section 35 Rights Recognition

Educate Métis citizens and partners about non-site specific Section 35 rights, including Education, Self Determination, Health, Justice, Housing, and more.

Fast track the implementation of the 231 calls for justice regarding Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

Jurisdiction over Children and Youth in Care and enhance supports available to family to ensure families stay intact

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