

MÉTIS BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MBAC)**MEMBERSHIP:**

President—ex officio
Up to three Board of Director members
Up to six additional Métis citizen business members

TERM: One year term—subject to renewal up to an additional two years

CHAIRPERSON: The committee will select a Chair. The Chair must be a member of the Board of Directors.

APPOINTMENT: Board of Director members recommended by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. Effort will be made to make further appointments to represent each of the 7 MNBC Regions.

DEPARTMENT LEAD: Senior Director of Economic Development & Natural Resources

SECRETARIAT: Senior Director of Economic Development & Natural Resources

MEETINGS: Quarterly. Additional meetings can be held at call of the Chair

QUORUM: Four, including two Board of Director members

VOTING: None, advisory in nature

PURPOSE:

The Committee will provide advice regarding policies, projects, and/or partnerships that would improve the business environment for Métis businesses, on behalf of MNBC businesses and entrepreneurs. The primary purpose of the Committee is to address issues relating to access to capital, opportunities and talent, barriers to success, promotion of services provided by MNBC available to entrepreneurs, as well as recruitment and diversification of industry representatives within the Métis Business Directory. Specifically, the committee may:

- identify business trends and shifts within BC;
- develop new relationship with industry leaders in BC on behalf of MNBC businesses;
- connect MNBC businesses with existing contacts of Committee members;
- identify business and employment opportunities for MNBC citizens.

REPORTING MECHANISM:

The committee will keep high-level notes of all meetings which will be forwarded to the MNBC Board of Director for review.

EXPENSES:

Meeting expenses must be submitted to CEO/Deputy Minister for pre-approval. Individual committee member expenses are reimbursable by MNBC according to approved policy.

TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW:

The Terms of Reference will be revised as appropriate and presented to the Board of Directors for their review and approval when necessary.