
MONTHLY REPORT

Region: 4 (Kootenay)

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MNBC Board & Committee:

April 15	BOD with Liberal Caucus Outreach
April 17	Special BOD with President Clara Morin Dal Col- Declined
April 17	Regular BOD
April 20	BOD Strategic Plan Review
April 23	Wahkohtowin Day Release
April 29	BOD with Green Party Caucus Outreach
April 29	Federal Conservative BC Caucus Outreach
April 30	BOD Strategic Plan Review

MNBC Senior Directors, Staff and Chartered Communities:

Twice a week or more, Jack Miller, Sr. Director (Children & Families)
Twice a week or more, Colleen Hodgson, Sr. Director (Education & Early Years)
Bi-weekly basis Early Years Navigators Team

April 1	Métis Children & Families Gathering (Agencies)
April 8	Fire & Life Safety Program
April 8	Regional Hub Model with Colleen Hodgson & Madeline Green

Other Meetings:

April 9	Indigenous Education Council SD#6 (Rocky Mountain)
April 12	Social & Community Service Committee

Children & Families Key Points:

- Planning a Métis Nation BC, Ministry of Children and Family Symposium to guide the direction for planning of this ministry for our nation. Details underway.
- Métis Nation BC, Ministry of Children and Family will be launching its internship network with various universities in the fall. Institution list will be available soon.
- Continued talks with (MCFD) Ministry of Children and Family Development as they are the only ones blocking our way of funding.
- Working with other government parties to bring voice to our concerns
- Continued work towards Indigenous Governing Body (IGB) Status
- Identifying and addressing ongoing issues of systemic racism in financial and policy related topics in BC Ministry of Children and Family Development

Education & Early Years Key Points:

- Launched Miyoopimatishihk (Wellbeing) program and invested \$500 thousand with children birth to 9 years old. Families can apply for services for their children that MNBC will directly fund
- Approval from MCFD for New Spaces funding (3.5 million) for childcare centers in 2 MNBC regions
- 605 children enrolled in the Métis Family Connections Program (430) families
- 369 children registered in the Imagination Library Program
- Final 229 K-12 Education Technology Supports Grants processed and approved for Métis families
- Culture Education video project with Parks Canada at Fort Langley
- Working with other government parties to bring voice to our concerns
- Identifying and addressing ongoing issues of systemic racism in financial and policy related topics in Education