

**LGBTQI2S+ ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LGBTQI2S+)****MEMBERSHIP:**

President – ex officio  
Two Board of Director members  
Up to seven Citizen representatives

**TERM:** Citizens serve for a one year term – subject to renewal up to an additional two years

**CHAIRPERSON:** The committee will select a Chair

**APPOINTMENT:** Committee members are recommended and approved by the Board of Directors. Effort will be made to make further appointments to represent each of the 7 MNBC Regions. Citizens must have lived experience with LGBTQI2S+ matters.

**DEPARTMENT LEAD:** Chief Public Affairs Officer

**SECRETARIAT:** Law Clerk

**MEETINGS:** To be determined by the Chair of the Committee in consultation with the Chief Public Affairs Officer

**QUORUM:** Five, including one member of the Board of Directors

**VOTING:** None, advisory in nature

**PURPOSE:**

LGBTQI2S+ Métis people were traditionally valued for their distinctive responsibilities and roles within our communities and have had these roles devalued and diminished through the process of colonization. The Committee will provide advice regarding:

- The unique cultural, health and social needs of LGBTQI2S+ Métis people;
- Addressing discrimination, prejudice, mental health challenges, suicide, domestic abuse, exploitation, social isolation and homelessness of LGBTQI2S+ Métis people;
- Identifying and developing LGBTQI2S+ cultural and wellness programming;
- Identifying and celebrating contributions by LGBTQI2S+ Métis people; and
- Advocating for LGBTQI2S+ rights, and to assist in ensuring the needs of LGBTQI2S+ Métis people are being met in the province of British Columbia.

**REPORTING MECHANISM:**

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