

**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN  
PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 22 and 29, 2016**

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting held July 22, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Express, 3580 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue West, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and July 29, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Express Yorkton East, 63 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

**DATE: Friday, July 22, 2016**

**PRESENT:**

Gerald Morin, Vice-President, Co-Chair  
Helene Johnson, Co-Chair  
Lela Arnold  
Michael Bell  
Cody Breaton  
Earl Cook  
Chester Herman

Billy Kennedy  
Derek Langan (departed at 11:41 a.m.)  
Glen McCallum  
Darlene McKay  
Tammy Mah  
Lennard Morin

**ABSENT:**

Robert Doucette, President  
Louis Gardiner  
May Henderson

Penny Hurton  
Shelly Kapell

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Olivia Arcand, Observer  
Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant  
(via teleconference) (for Item 4.3)  
Ray Laliberté, Observer

Karen Larocque, Back to Batoche (for Item 4.1)  
Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel  
Jocelyn Ormerod, Observer  
Mavis Taylor, Chief Executive Officer

**ERNST & YOUNG (EY) REPRESENTATIVES:**

Michael Campbell, EY

Evan Shoforost, EY

**RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Vivian Guthrie, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-President Gerald Morin called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

**WELCOMING COMMENTS AND OPENING PRAYER**

Vice-President Morin welcomed attendees to the meeting. Lennard Morin offered an Opening Prayer.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**It was MOVED (Derek Langan) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) approves the following Agenda for its July 22, 2016 meeting:

1. Appointment of the Recording Secretary
2. Appointment of the Co-Chairs
3. Adoption of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 MN-S PMC Meeting Minutes:
  - 3.1 Review of the Minutes
  - 3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes
  - 3.3 Economic Development Funding
4. Updates:
  - 4.1 Update from the PMC Back to Batoche Committee
  - 4.2 Update from the PMC MNLA Committee
  - 4.3 Update from the PMC Election Committee
  - 4.4 Update from the PMC Finance Committee
  - 4.5 Update from the CEO (Mavis Taylor)
  - 4.6 Update from the Expert Advisor - Ernst & Young
  - 4.7 Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI)
5. Resolutions
6. Other Business:
  - 6.1 Cuthbert Grant Declaration
  - 6.2 The S.S. Northcote
7. Next Meeting Date

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AGENDA VARIED**

The order of the Agenda was varied during the meeting. Items are presented in these minutes, in the order in which they were considered.

**1. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY**

**It was MOVED (Earl Cook) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Vivian Guthrie, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., as the Recording Secretary for the July 22, 2016 meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. APPOINTMENT OF CO-CHAIRS**

**It was MOVED (Derek Langan) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Helene Johnson and Gerald Morin as Co-Chairs for the meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES (June 16 and July 8, 2016 MN-S PMC Meeting)**

**3.1 Review of the Minutes**

The meeting was referred to the draft minutes of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting.

**3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes**

The meeting reviewed the resolutions passed at the June 16 and July 8, 2016 MN-S PMC meeting and discussed business arising from the minutes.

Regarding Item 7.6, Mavis Taylor, CEO, confirmed that Legal Counsel had sent letters seeking financial information (i.e. minutes, records) from the affiliates.

**3.3 Economic Development Funding**

Further to Item 7.10, Co-Chair Morin referenced the Métis National Council (MNC) Board of Governors teleconference at which the equal distribution of federal economic development funding amongst the Governing Members was approved.

During discussion, suggestions were offered related to the MN-S' dispensation of its portion of the funds, including:

- Setting aside funds for improvements to the Batoche site (and/or the potential purchase of adjacent land)
- Seeking shareholders' approval for the use of the funds
- Potentially seeking representation from each of the MN-S' twelve regions, on the SaskMétis Economic Development Corporation (SMEDCO) Board of Directors (to date, some representatives had not been accepted)
- Developing a budget plan for using the funds and a schedule for accessing the funds
- Using the money to improve the lives of youth (i.e. training and skills development dollars)
- Supporting programs already generating profits (i.e. horse drawn sleigh rides, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, pamphlets to promote Métis services and businesses).

Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, suggested the PMC maintain the ability to reallocate funds, in the event that programs they selected to support with the MN-S' portion of the economic development funding, did not meet the funding criteria.

**It was MOVED (Earl Cook) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) supports the Métis National Council's (MNC's) disbursements of economic development funds as outlined in their July 21, 2016 correspondence, recognizing that the MN-S' portion of the funding will be administered by SaskMétis Economic Development Corporation (SMEDCO); with the following provisos:

- That the MN-S PMC be involved in determining the disbursements of funds;
- That MN-S Regional Representatives be appointed to SMEDCO's Board of Directors;
- That representatives from SMEDCO and the federal government be invited to attend an upcoming MN-S PMC meeting (specifically with John Weinstein, MNC, in attendance) to discuss priorities and criteria, meeting regional needs, purchasing land adjacent to Batoche and upgrades to the Batoche site (specifically for capital renovations); and

- That for the first fiscal year of economic development funding, the MN-S portion be allocated as follows:
  - A capped amount of \$25,000 to each of the MN-S' twelve regions;
  - A capped amount of \$25,000 to the MN-S Métis Women (Les Filles de Madeleine);
  - A capped amount of \$25,000 to the Saskatchewan Métis Youth;
  - A capped amount of \$25,000 to the MN-S PMC;
  - A capped amount of \$90,000 to SMEDCO for administration of the funds (any unused portion to be returned to PMC for distribution); and
  - An amount of \$435,000 to the Back to Batoche Committee specifically for capital renovations;

and with the further provisos that:

- The aforementioned provisos meet the criteria of the funding agreement;
- In the event the allocation to SMEDCO for administration does not meet the criteria of the funding agreement, the MN-S PMC maintains the ability to reallocate the funds by special resolution; and
- Future funding allocations be done at the MN-S PMC level.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 11:41 a.m. and reconvened at 1:12 p.m. Derek Langan was absent when the meeting resumed.

### **3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES (June 16 and July 8, 2016 MN-S PMC Meeting) (Continued)**

#### **It was MOVED (Lennard Morin) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council adopts the Minutes of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 meeting, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **4.0 UPDATES**

##### **4.1 Update from the PMC Back to Batoche Committee**

Karen Larocque reported on the success of Back to Batoche 2016. She reviewed financial details, revenues and expenditures, noting an approximate net gain of \$58,000.00. Members discussed outstanding payments owed from prior Back to Batoche events, and the reimbursement of personal expenditures related to the 2016 event (i.e. Karen Larocque's cell phone charges).

In response to a query regarding whether contracts related to the 2016 event had been paid in full, the meeting was advised that:

- An accounting review with EY will discuss the collection and disbursement of funds
- Payment was made towards current taxes, and over \$24,000.00 in past taxes.

Gratitude was extended to volunteers including the Back to Batoche Committee (and their families), PMC members and EY. The Back to Batoche Committee was particularly commended for quickly expediting the event and for surmounting some financial challenges. It was acknowledged that including others and requesting support for the event, helped to establish and rebuild relationships.

A full report on the Back to Batoche 2016 will be presented to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA), highlighting the fiscal success of event, and the opportunity to repay debts incurred by previous Batoche events.

#### **4.2 Update from the PMC Committee**

Mavis Taylor, CEO, reviewed the proposed MNLA Orders of the Day and contents of the MNLA Agenda binders, noting that accommodations for delegates needed to be confirmed with EY by July 25, 2016. Assistance was welcomed in locating some additional documents required (i.e. prior meeting minutes and the 2015 audit). Appreciation was extended to EY for their assistance in compiling the MNLA Agenda binders.

##### ***Request for Action***

*It was requested that Directors:*

- *Assist Michael Campbell, Ernst & Young, in registering their respective region's delegates for the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly*
- *Forward available copies of any prior meeting minutes still missing from the "Record of Minutes" (specifically for the meetings held November 30 – December 1, 2012 and February 8 and 9, 2013).*

The meeting acknowledged the MNLA's focus on setting a date for the next MN-S election, noting that voting members could be required to sign a declaration confirming their citizenship and eligibility to vote.

##### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Lela Arnold)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approves the Agenda binders for the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA), including the MNLA Orders of the Day and other information, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, confirmed that he had received an electronic file, which included the 2007 MN-S voters list.

#### **3:20 p.m.**

Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, joined the meeting by teleconference for Item 4.3.

#### **4.3 Update from the PMC Election Committee**

The meeting acknowledged urgent requests sent for information to former consultants, for a copy of the 2007 MN-S Election kit, to help expedite preparations for the next election. It was noted that as the voters' list used in the 2007 MN-S election process had not been updated, voters may be asked to self-declare their citizenship at the time of voting in the next election.

During discussion on the upcoming MN-S election, the following comments were offered:

- Amendments made in 2008, affirmed the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act (Act)* as the MN-S' electoral process
- The consultant involved in the 2007 MN-S election process, took nine months to prepare for the election

- Sufficient time was required to hire and verify the credentials of approximately 115 Métis Commissioners and other election officials.

Mr. Gibson offered the following comments regarding the upcoming MN-S election:

- Although two potential Chief Electoral Officers had been contacted, further information on the MN-S election process was required (i.e. a prior instruction manual) to help determine the time required to prepare for the election
- There was insufficient time to prepare for an election in September or October 2016
- The next MN-S election could more realistically be held, with six months to prepare (sometime in February or March 2017).

***Request for Action***

*It was requested that Helene Johnson or Gerald Morin forward a copy of the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007 to Mavis Taylor, CEO, to convey to: Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant; Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel; and Evan Shoforst, Ernst & Young.*

***Request for Action***

*It was requested that the MN-S Election Committee review the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act adopted in 2008 with Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant.*

During further discussion, members offered the following additional comments:

- Hiring only Métis Commissioners may not be a requirement; the *Act* could be amended at the MNLA to clarify this
- It was required that some of the election officials (i.e. Regional Returning Officer, Registration Officer, and Polling Officers) be Métis
- A reasonable amount of time was required to prepare for an election
- Conducting the next election in accordance with the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act*, adopted in 2008, was a requirement for federal funding.

Mavis Taylor, CEO, further reported that:

- Some MN-S election materials were available
- Mr. Nolin received some information from the consultant involved in the prior election process
- A list of voters that participated in the prior election process was not compiled.

***Request for Action***

*Directors were requested to forward any information they may have retained, related to prior MN-S elections (preferably in digital format), to Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, to assist in expediting the process leading up to the next MN-S election.*

Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, advised that:

- An explanation will be provided, if the MNLA is advised that the election will be postponed
- Time is required to train the Election Commissioners and other election personnel
- Appointments to all electoral positions should be made without prejudice
- The election process must be structured to withstand scrutiny and protect the organization.

Members expressed frustrations related to the suggested postponement of the MN-S election, and offered additional comments regarding:

- Uncertainties related to how many citizens were waiting to receive their citizenship cards
- Arrangements required if the MNLA rejected postponing the MN-S election
- Potentially determining an election process and alternate election date prior to the MNLA.

The following Election Committee members were acknowledged: Chester Herman, Gerald Morin and Lennard Morin.

***Request for Action***

*It was requested that Mavis Taylor, CEO, arrange a conference call with Lorne Gibson, Michael Nolin, Richard Quintal, and the Election Committee on July 27, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.*

**It was MOVED (Darlene McKay) and SECONDED (Gerald Morin)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council now rescinds the following motion passed on June 5, 2016: “That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) directs that all PMC member positions terminate August 2, 2016, and that Ernst & Young and the MN-S CEO manage MN-S affairs during the 30-day period prior to the election”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4.4 Update from the PMC Finance Committee**

Evan Shoforost, EY, led the meeting in discussion regarding the sale of the MN-S library and strategies to repay secured creditors. Mr. Shoforost confirmed that EY would review in advance with the PMC, a report prepared for presentation at the MNLA.

**It was MOVED (Earl Cook) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council approves payment of a retainer in the amount of \$60,000 to Cuelenaere, Kendall, Katzman & Watson LLP (MN-S Legal Counsel).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4.5 Update from the CEO**

This item was addressed under Item 4.3.

**4.6 Update from the Expert Advisor – Ernst & Young (EY)**

Evan Shoforost, EY, reviewed discussions with the MN-S’ current landlord related to office space costs. Investigations confirmed that office space was available locally, for significantly less than the current lease. He further noted that the current office space was under a lease until September 30, 2016. During discussion, members acknowledged an objective to see MN-S in the financial position to purchase or build its own office.

**4.7 Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI)**

It was noted that a \$300,000 advance from GDI was anticipated towards the purchase of the MN-S library, once an inventory of the MN-S library was complete.

**5. RESOLUTIONS**

Co-Chair Helene Johnson reviewed resolutions submitted by members for consideration at the MNLA, noting that some (Resolutions #3, 4, 5 and 9) did not include the signatures of five members, as required.

During discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- Handling of submitted resolutions which did not meet the requirements of the Constitution
- The dissolution of regions/locals and the declaration of an independent Council
- Recognition of the legal Métis local representative (their expenses will be reimbursed)
- Instances where there are two locals in one region, claiming to be the legal authorized local.

During further discussion, comments were offered regarding:

- The 2013 MNLA (deemed to be illegal)
- A lack of documented process for removing elected officials between legal elections
- An unapproved Regional Director indicated on a region's corporate documents
- The importance of clarifying that the MN-S rules will henceforth be enforced.

***Request for Action***

*With respect to resolutions submitted for consideration at the 2016 MNLA, Regional Directors were requested to:*

- *Acknowledge locals and persons from their region, who submitted resolutions in compliance with the Constitution*
- *Inform Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, of locals and persons from their region, who submitted resolutions that were **not** in compliance with the Constitution, so Mr. Nolin could advise them of the status of their resolution.*

**Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 2:36 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, clarified that if a local complied with constitutional requirements, its approval to exist was not required from higher authorities. He acknowledged challenges related to the establishment of new locals, and locals with multiple presidents. While new locals could be approved by regions, only the authorized delegate could vote at the MNLA.

***Request for Action***

*Regional Directors were asked to communicate to Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, the names of legitimate Presidents so he could advise, in writing, those who were not recognized as legitimate Presidents in accordance with the Constitution.*



**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1 Cuthbert Grant Declaration**

**It was MOVED (Lennard Morin) and SECONDED (Gerald Morin)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council adopt the Cuthbert Grant Declaration as presented, with some minor amendments.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.2 The S.S. Northcote**

**It was MOVED (Lennard Morin) and SECONDED (Chester Herman)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council (PMC):

- Approves building a replica of the S.S. Northcote (or rebuilding the original, whichever is more cost effective), and that money be allocated each year from the economic development funding to help cover project costs;
- Appoints a three-person committee of PMC members to this project, one being the representative of the Delta Métis Local #42 from Cumberland House, who will Chair the S.S. Northcote Project Committee; and
- Supports the S.S. Northcote Project Committee approaching the following entities on behalf of the PMC, for financial contributions to the project:
  - Clarence Campeau Development Fund
  - Gabriel Dumont Institute
  - SMEDCO
  - Federal Government
  - Provincial Government
  - CAMECO/AREVA
  - Métis National Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.3 Next Meeting Date**

It was agreed that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council meeting scheduled July 22, 2016 would reconvene on July 29, 2016 at the Holiday Inn, Yorkton.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meeting held July 22 and 29, 2016 adjourned on July 22, 2016 at 4:16 p.m.

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**DATE: Friday, July 29, 2016**

**PRESENT:**

Gerald Morin, Vice-President, Co-Chair  
Helene Johnson, Co-Chair  
(departed at 6:35 p.m.)  
Lela Arnold  
Michael Bell  
Cody Breaton  
Earl Cook  
Chester Herman

Shelly Kapell  
Billy Kennedy  
Derek Langan  
Glen McCallum  
Darlene McKay  
Tammy Mah  
Lennard Morin (arrived at 3:00 p.m.)

**ABSENT:**

Robert Doucette, President  
Louis Gardiner

May Henderson  
Penny Hurton

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant  
Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel

Mavis Taylor, Chief Executive Officer

**ERNST & YOUNG (EY) REPRESENTATIVES:**

Michael Campbell, EY

Evan Shoforost, EY

**INDIGENOUS AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA (INAC) REPRESENTATIVE:**

Richard Quintal, Negotiator and Manager of Métis Relations

**RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chair Morin called the meeting back to order at 1:50 p.m. on July 29, 2016 and confirmed a quorum was present.

**WELCOMING COMMENTS**

Co-Chair Morin welcomed attendees, acknowledged the previously approved Agenda, and reviewed items to be considered at the meeting.

**1. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY (Continued)**

**It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Derek Langan)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., as the Recording Secretary for the July 29, 2016 meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. RESOLUTIONS (Continued)**

**5.1 The Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act Amendments**

Michael Nolan, Legal Counsel, read aloud some amendments to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007 (Act)*, proposed by Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant.

Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, offered the following comments:

- The list of amendments to the *Act* submitted for consideration would:
  - Deem the *Act* applicable to the upcoming and future elections
  - Provide greater flexibility to the Chief Electoral Officer
  - Prohibit campaigning in polling stations
- The *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007* was the most recent version of the *Act* available
- The Chief Electoral Officer involved in the prior election recommended the *Act* be amended
- Meyers Norris Penny LLP organized the 2012 election process and subsequently submitted a 2012 Elections Report to the MN-S
- Items pertaining to the 2007 election process (i.e. voter registration information, data/computer equipment) were held by the MN-S' Legal Counsel (Scott Phelps & Mason) in trust, and were released to the MN-S Registrar in June 2009 (see attached "List of Information Items" to locate related correspondence)
- The five potential candidates contacted about participating as Chief Electoral Officer for the upcoming MN-S election process, expressed that there was insufficient time to prepare for an election in September 2016
- The Chief Electoral Officer involved in the 2007 election had nine months to prepare.

The meeting agreed to further discuss the MN-S election process later in the meeting, after biographies of the potential candidates for the Chief Electoral Officer for the upcoming MN-S election process, were made available for review.

**Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 2:40 p.m. and reconvened at 3:00 p.m. Lennard Morin was present when the meeting resumed.

**5.2 Appointment of Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and Chairpersons for the Annual General Assembly**

**It was MOVED (Glen McCallum) and SECONDED (Shelly Kapell)**

WHEREAS Article 5 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act* directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoint a Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council at their duly called meeting of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council on June 4 and 5, 2016 appointed Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith as Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly ratify these appointments as stated;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith shall serve as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson for the Annual General Assembly.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **5.3 Appointment of Dumont's Scouts**

**It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Lela Arnold)**

WHEREAS Article 8 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act* directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to appoint Dumont's Scouts to maintain order and procedure at the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints the following representatives of Eastern Region 2A as Dumont's Scouts for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on July 30 and 31, 2016: Donna Bernard, Robert Bernard, Richard Genialle, Jeff Langan, Jeremy Langan, Donna Pelletier, Tyler Pelletier, Tyler Severight and Stewart Swain.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **5.4 Adoption of Métis Citizenship Standard**

**It was MOVED (Chester Herman) and SECONDED (Michael Bell)**

WHEREAS the Métis Nation has inherent jurisdiction to identify the members/citizens of the Métis Nation;

AND WHEREAS the Métis National Council (MNC) General Assembly ratified a National Definition for the identification of Métis Nation citizens, and amended it from time to time;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) has adopted the National Definition in the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* Article 10 and has established a Registry for the purpose of identifying and registering Métis Nation citizens resident in Saskatchewan pursuant to the National Definition;

AND WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Métis Nation to identify the citizens of the Métis Nation in a way that is open, transparent, consistent, objective and verifiable;

AND WHEREAS the Supreme Court of Canada has required, and the MN-S does agree, that the process of identification of Métis Aboriginal rights holders must be objective and verifiable;

AND WHEREAS the MNC General Assembly directed, at the 2014 General Assembly, that the MNC and Governing Members ensure: a) that the National Definition of Métis is applied in all registrations; b) that the MNC and Governing Members engage fully in the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) Standard setting processes to the completion and publication of a Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard, which can be used to ensure that the identification and registration of Métis Nation members/citizens is consistent, respectful, objective and verifiable;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly require the MN-S to ensure compliance with the MNC General Assembly direction that the MN-S Registry ensure: a) that the National Definition of Métis is applied in all registrations; b) that the MN-S and the MN-S Registry ensure the implementation of the CSA Standard on Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard; and c) engage in the CSA Standard setting processes to review and update the Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard, from time to time, which can be used to ensure that the identification and registration of Métis Nation members/citizens is consistent, respectful, objective and verifiable.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **5.5 Adoption of Ernst & Young Report in Lieu of Executive and Regional Reports**

### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Lela Arnold)**

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan had not held the number of Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council meetings required by the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan*;

AND WHEREAS the Court of Queen’s Bench found that:

- a) The last attempted Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly was unlawfully called and unlawfully held;
- b) That all of the motions passed at the last attempted Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly are of no force and effect; and
- c) The last lawfully called and lawfully held Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly was in 2012;

AND WHEREAS the administrative funding and financial support to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan was discontinued by the Province of Saskatchewan and the Government of Canada on November 1, 2014 due to a lack of democracy, accountability and transparency in the operation of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;

AND WHEREAS in order to reinstate funding toward the administration and operation of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan entered into an agreement with Ernst & Young LLP, by motion of the Provincial Métis Council and signature of President Robert Doucette, on February 17, 2016 to allow Ernst & Young LLP to carry out specific administrative, policy and financial processes on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, pursuant to the direction of the Provincial Métis Council as a third party Expert Advisor;

AND WHEREAS the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan has not been provided salaries since March 31, 2015 and has not participated fully in the ongoing meetings of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;

AND WHEREAS Articles 3 and 4 of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* and Article 9 of the *Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act* provides that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council shall provide written reports to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS Ernst & Young LLP, as Expert Advisor, has prepared a report on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council for submission to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on July 30 and 31, 2016;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council has reviewed and approved the report of Ernst & Young LLP as a written report of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council directs Ernst & Young LLP to deliver the written report to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council, to comply with its constitutional reporting obligation.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **5.6 Deeming of Any Program, Service or Affiliate Created for the Purposes of the Constitution**

### **It was MOVED (Chester Herman) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)**

WHEREAS Article 3(3) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* provides that the Provincial Métis Council is responsible for ensuring that the affiliates, departments, programs and services covered by their portfolios are running smoothly and have the necessary resources to enable them to operate effectively;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council deems to be an affiliate, the following:

- a) BTB Festival Days Inc.
- b) BTB Land Management Inc.
- c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.
- d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation
- e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.
- f) Round Prairie Developments Limited
- g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.
- h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
- i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council needs to ensure it maintains an accurate account of all affiliates of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and all corporations formed to meet the needs of the Métis people in Saskatchewan, including but not limited to:

- a) BTB Festival Days Inc.
- b) BTB Land Management Inc.
- c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.
- d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation
- e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.
- f) Round Prairie Developments Limited
- g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.
- h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
- i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive provide the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council with certified copies of all documents relating to all affiliates of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, including but not limited to:

- a) BTB Festival Days Inc.
- b) BTB Land Management Inc.
- c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.
- d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation
- e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.
- f) Round Prairie Developments Limited
- g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.
- h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, and
- i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

During discussion it was confirmed that at the PMC's prior direction, Legal Counsel had sent letters to Directors of the affiliates via registered mail or email, requesting documentation (i.e. minutes, documentation and records).

## **5.7 Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanism**

### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Shelly Kapell)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council supports the following resolution, and recommends its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

WHEREAS the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* is the governing document of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;

AND WHEREAS Paragraphs 3 to 5 of the Preamble of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* provides that the citizens of the Métis Nation agree to the following:

- a) To ensure that any Métis person whose rights or freedoms as herein recognized are violated shall have an effective remedy;
- b) To ensure that any person claiming such a remedy shall have their right thereto determined by a competent Judicial administrative or legislative authorities of the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan; and
- c) To ensure competent authorities as enacted by the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan shall enforce such remedies when granted;

AND WHEREAS Paragraph 9 of the Preamble of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* provides that all persons shall be equal before the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly in the termination of any issue which they are charged with, and that every Métis person shall be entitled to a fair and public hearing by a competent, independent and impartial tribunal established by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to establish and create an internal dispute resolution mechanism to meet the goals of the preamble as set out above.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened at 4:15 p.m.

#### **5.8 Selecting the MN-S Election Date / Calling of Election**

Mr. Gibson led the meeting in a discussion related to the selection of an MN-S election date. During discussion, the following additional comments were offered:

- Significant preparations for the MN-S election are required, including: creation of materials, forms, nominations kits, training of elections personnel, etc.
- Both Mr. Gibson and David Hamilton (the Chief Electoral Officer involved in the 2007 MN-S election) have agreed to assist the next Chief Electoral Officer in preparing for the upcoming election, to the extent required
- Six months preparation will be required for an MN-S election in February 2017
- The election date will be declared 35 days prior to the election; once called, electoral candidates may file nominations papers accordingly
- A presentation regarding the next MN-S election has been prepared for the MNLA.

#### **It was MOVED (Darlene McKay) and SECONDED (Tammy Mah)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

WHEREAS Article 28 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, and Article 8(2) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* requires that the election day for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council be held within four (4) years of the previous election;



AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council has retained, pursuant to the advice of Ernst & Young LLP as Expert Advisor, the expertise of Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, to advise on the process required to ensure the running of an election pursuant to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended;

AND WHEREAS Ernst & Young LLP and Mr. Gibson have advised the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council on the proper timing for the holding of an election and have recommended an election day of February 4, 2017;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council seek to have an election that is in accordance with Article 1 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, that promotes the meaningful exercise of the democratic rights and freedoms of the Métis citizens in Saskatchewan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT an election day for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council be set as February 4, 2017.

**CARRIED**

(Derek Langan voted in opposition)

#### **5.9 Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer**

Mr. Gibson acknowledged the qualifications and eligibility of Fred Payton, the candidate available and interested in participating as Chief Electoral Officer for the next MN-S election.

#### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Lennard Morin)**

WHEREAS Section 92 of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended, directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly to appoint by resolution, a Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council recommends the appointment of Fred Payton to serve as the Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council recommends the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly appoint Fred Payton to serve as the Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017.

**CARRIED**

(Derek Langan abstained from the vote)

#### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Darlene McKay)**

That the Métis Nation- Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council rescind the following motion passed on March 5, 2016: “That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council set September 3, 2016 as the date for the 2016 MN-S Election, with advance polls scheduled on August 27, 2016”.

**CARRIED**

(Derek Langan abstained from the vote)

## **5.1 The Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act Amendments (Continued)**

### **It was MOVED (Chester Herman) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

WHEREAS Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, represented by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (the “Government of Canada”) has agreed to provide funding to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan as per the Funding Agreement (Agreement No: 1415-HQ-000097) entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, April 1, 2014, as amended by:

- The undated Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;
- The May 1, 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan; and
- The June 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (“Amending Agreement #3”)

(collectively, the “MN-S Agreement”);

AND WHEREAS as part of the MN-S Agreement, an “Expert Advisor” must be retained;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. has contracted with Ernst & Young LLP pursuant to an engagement letter dated June 17, 2016 and has appointed Ernst & Young LLP as the Expert Advisor;

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and Ernst & Young LLP agree that amendment of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007* is a matter relevant to carrying out the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan’s obligations under the MN-S Agreement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council amend the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007* in accordance with the recommendations provided by the Expert Advisor Ernst & Young LLP, as follows (and described in the attached Schedule A):

1. In section 1, delete the words “for the general election in 2007 and may be adapted to all subsequent elections”;
2. In section 2, in the definition of “declaration of election”, delete the words “the general election in 2007 and any by-election after the general election in 2007” and substitute the words “a general election or by-election”;
3. In section 2, delete the term and definition for “Independent Oversight Committee”;
4. In section 3, delete the words “in 2007” and the accompanying footnote;
5. In section 28, delete subsection (2) and its heading and re-number subsection 28(1) as section 28;
6. In section 92, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 92 accordingly;

7. In section 101, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 101 accordingly;
8. In subsection 107(1), add the words “Unless authorized otherwise by the Chief Electoral Officer,” to the beginning of the sentence;
9. In section 111, delete subsection (2) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 111 accordingly;
10. In section 116, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 116 accordingly;
11. In section 120, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 120 accordingly;
12. Add a new section 127.1 to say: “No person shall disturb the peace and good order at a polling station”;
13. Add a new section 127.2 to say:
  - (1) *Any person who places or displays campaign material in or on any premises used as a polling station is guilty of an offence, and*
  - (2) *Any person who uses, wears or displays or causes to be used, worn or displayed, any flag, ribbon, label, badge, or similar object in a polling station as campaign material, is guilty of an offence; and*
14. In Form 1 (VOTER REGISTRATION FORM) of the Schedule, delete the words “in 2007” and substitute the words “to be held on [election day]”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **5.10 Extension of Terms of Members of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council**

##### **It was MOVED (Billy Kennedy) and SECONDED (Cody Breaton)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

WHEREAS Article 4(3) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* provides that the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly have a term of office of four (4) years;

AND WHEREAS Article 8(2) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* requires that an election for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly be held within four (4) years of the previous Provincial Métis Council election;

AND WHEREAS the election of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly may not comply with the *Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan* and the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007*, as amended;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT any member of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly whose term will expire in accordance with the *Constitution of the Métis Nation –*

*Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007, as amended, where the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly secures an election date beyond the required timeframe, will have their term extended for a reasonable period of time to facilitate the completion of an election pursuant to the Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007, as amended.*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **Health Break**

The meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

#### **It was MOVED (Tammy Mah) and SECONDED (Cody Breaton)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council directs that the contract with Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, be extended until the Chief Electoral Officer has been appointed, and the election period for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan election set for February 4, 2017, has commenced.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **It was MOVED (Earl Cook) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approves the following appointments of Quorum Counters for the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:

- Two designated Ernst & Young LLP (EY) staff members; and
- Carrie Peacock, Recording Secretary, specifically for any resolutions related to EY.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

##### **6.3 Payment of MNLA Expenses (for Non-Recognized Delegates)**

It was confirmed that the MN-S' Legal Counsel recently informed MNLA registrants that had not been recognized by their region to attend the MNLA as delegates, that they would not be reimbursed for travel and accommodation expenses associated with attending the MNLA.

During discussion, the following comments were offered:

- Regional Councils determined who the valid delegates would be for the MNLA
- A list was compiled of registrants that were not recognized as delegates by a region
- Reimbursing attendance-related expenses of registrants not recognized as delegates by a region (“disputed delegates”) for the 2016 MNLA only, could be considered.

#### **6:35 p.m.**

Co-Chair Helene Johnson departed the meeting.

**It was MOVED (Glen McCallum) and SECONDED (Darlene McKay)**

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council authorizes Ernst & Young LLP to reimburse the same expenses for attending the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) for: registrants recognized as valid MNLA delegates, and registrants **not** recognized as valid MNLA delegates.

**CARRIED**

(Earl Cook, Chester Herman and Tammy Mah voted in opposition)

**CONCLUSION**

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meeting July 22 and 29, 2016 concluded on July 29, 2016 at 6:45 p.m.

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**LIST OF INFORMATION ITEMS:**

*The following items were provided for information at the meeting on July 22, 2016:*

1. Draft Minutes of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting
2. MNLA Draft Orders of the Day
3. Correspondence dated May 29, 2012 from The W Law Group to MN-S Secretariat Inc. Re: Advice 2011, File #16555.60, regarding interpretation of Article 17.3, The Métis Nation Constitution
4. Email correspondence dated July 21, 2016 from John Weinstein regarding MNC Board of Governors recommendation for distribution of the \$25 million
5. Email correspondence dated July 21, 2016 from MNC President Clement Chartier regarding a record on the teleconference meeting held July 21, 2016
6. Correspondence dated July 21, 2016 from Cuelenaere, Kendall, Katzman & Watson LLP to Mavis Taylor regarding a service retainer in the amount of \$60,000.00
7. Media Release dated July 21, 2016 titled, “Minister Bennett Welcomes Thomas Isaac Report on Reconciliation with Métis”
8. Document dated March 31, 2016 titled, “Métis Family and Community Justice Services of Saskatchewan Inc., Independent Auditor’s Report and Financial Statements”
9. Document submitted by Lynn LaRose, Executive Director, MFC, titled Métis Family & Community Justice Services of Saskatchewan, Inc. (MFC) Annual Report 2016-2017
10. Report from Louis Gardiner, MN-S Treasurer including 2012 MN-S Election Financial Statement, Holdco Trust letter from the W Law Group, First Quarter MN-S Financial Statement (April 1 – June 30, 2013) and 2012/2013 MN-S Audit
11. Resolution Package
12. Email correspondence dated June 28, 2016 from Evan Shoforost to Mavis Taylor, CEO/Clerk of the Assembly containing Constitutional Amendments received to date to be included in the Order of the Day
13. List of Binders and Contents for MNLA
14. Record of Motions, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan MNLA / AGA, June 16, 2012, Travelodge, Prince Albert
15. Document dated June 14, 2016 titled “A Matter of National and Constitutional Import: Report of the Minister’s Special Representation on Reconciliation with Métis: Section 25 Métis Rights and the *Manitoba Métis Federation* Decision” by Thomas Isaac
16. Cuthbert Grant Declaration (proposal to be considered at the MNLA 30 July 2016)

*The following items were provided in an information package on July 22, 2016:*

17. MN-S PMC Meeting July 22, 2016 Agenda
18. The Métis Act being Chapter M-14.01 of *The Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2001* (effective January 28, 2002)
19. Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Adopted December 3, 1993 and amended through September 9, 2008
20. Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act, ratified November 6, 1999 and amended through September 9, 2008
21. Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period from February 18, 2016 to July 21, 2016
22. Email Correspondence from Ernst & Young dated July 8, 2016 regarding MN-S Audit report 2016 with attachment “INACs report incorporating the consultant audit finding dated March 2012”
23. Email Correspondence from Ernst & Young dated June 28, 2016 containing attachments of constitutional amendments received

*The following items were provided for information at the meeting on July 29, 2016:*

24. Correspondence from Scott Phelps & Mason to Deb Donaldson, Métis Nation of Saskatchewan (and copied to President Robert Doucette) dated June 26, 2009 regarding the return of “MNS Voter Registration Funds, Data and Computer Equipment”
25. Biography of Fred Payton, Chief Electoral Officer
26. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Appointment of Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and Chairpersons for the Annual General Assembly”
27. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Appointment of Dumont’s Scouts”
28. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Adoption of Métis Citizenship Standard”
29. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Adoption of Ernst & Young Report in Lieu of Executive and Regional Reports”
30. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Deeming of Any Program, Service or Affiliate Created for the Purposes of the Constitution”
31. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanism”
32. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Calling of Election”
33. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer”
34. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “The *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act* Amendments”
35. Printed copy of a draft resolution regarding “Extension of Terms of Members of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council”

**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN  
PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 22 and 29, 2016**

**List of Resolutions and Requests for Action (*indicated in italics*)**

<b>RESOLUTIONS / REQUESTS FOR ACTION</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<p><b>1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) approves the following Agenda for its July 22, 2016 meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appointment of the Recording Secretary</li> <li>2. Appointment of the Co-Chairs</li> <li>3. Adoption of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 MN-S PMC Meeting Minutes:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.1 Review of the Minutes</li> <li>3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes</li> <li>3.3 Economic Development Funding</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Updates:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4.1 Update from the PMC Back to Batoche Committee</li> <li>4.2 Update from the PMC MNLA Committee</li> <li>4.3 Update from the PMC Election Committee</li> <li>4.4 Update from the PMC Finance Committee</li> <li>4.5 Update from the CEO (Mavis Taylor)</li> <li>4.6 Update from the Expert Advisor - Ernst &amp; Young</li> <li>4.7 Gabriel Dumont Institute</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. Resolutions</li> <li>6. Other Business:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6.1 Cuthbert Grant Declaration</li> <li>6.2 The S.S. Northcote</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. Next Meeting Date.</li> </ol>	Complete
<p><b>2. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY (July 22, 2016)</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Vivian Guthrie, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., as the Recording Secretary for the July 22, 2016 meeting.</p>	Complete
<p><b>3. APPOINTMENT OF CO-CHAIRS</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Helene Johnson and Gerald Morin as Co-Chairs for the meeting.</p>	Complete
<p><b>4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) supports the Métis National Council’s (MNC’s) disbursements of economic development funds as outlined in their July 21, 2016 correspondence, recognizing that the MN-S’ portion of the funding will be administered by SaskMétis Economic Development Corporation (SMEDCO); with the following provisos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the MN-S PMC be involved in determining the disbursements of funds;</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That MN-S Regional Representatives be appointed to SMEDCO’s Board of Directors;</li> <li>• That representatives from SMEDCO and the federal government be invited to attend an upcoming MN-S PMC meeting (specifically with John Weinstein, MNC, in attendance) to discuss priorities and criteria, meeting regional needs, purchasing land adjacent to Batoche, and upgrades to the Batoche site (specifically for capital renovations); and</li> <li>• That for the first fiscal year of economic development funding, the MN-S portion be allocated as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A capped amount of \$25,000 to each of the MN-S’ twelve regions;</li> <li>○ A capped amount of \$25,000 to the MN-S Métis Women (Les Filles de Madeleine);</li> <li>○ A capped amount of \$25,000 to the Saskatchewan Métis Youth;</li> <li>○ A capped amount of \$25,000 to the MN-S PMC;</li> <li>○ A capped amount of \$90,000 to SMEDCO for administration of the funds (any unused portion to be returned to PMC for distribution); and</li> <li>○ An amount of \$435,000 to the Back to Batoche Committee specifically for capital renovations;</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>and with the further provisos that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The aforementioned provisos meet the criteria of the funding agreement;</li> <li>• In the event the allocation to SMEDCO for administration does not meet the criteria of the funding agreement, the MN-S PMC maintains the ability to reallocate the funds by special resolution; and</li> <li>• Future funding allocations be done at the MN-S PMC level.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES</b> That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council adopts the Minutes of the June 16 and July 8, 2016 meeting, as presented.</p>	
<p><b>6. UPDATE FROM THE PMC MNLA COMMITTEE</b> <i>It was requested that Directors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Assist Michael Campbell, Ernst &amp; Young, in registering their respective region’s delegates for the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly</i></li> <li>• <i>Forward available copies of any prior meeting minutes still missing from the “Record of Minutes” (specifically for the meetings held November 30 – December 1, 2012 and February 8 and 9, 2013).</i></li> </ul>	
<p><b>7. UPDATE FROM THE PMC MNLA COMMITTEE</b> That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approves the Agenda binders for the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA), including the MNLA Orders of the Day and other information, as presented.</p>	



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<p><b>8. UPDATE FROM THE PMC ELECTION COMMITTEE</b>  <i>It was requested that Helene Johnson or Gerald Morin forward a copy of the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007 to Mavis Taylor, CEO, to convey to: Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant; Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel; and Evan Shoforost, Ernst &amp; Young.</i></p>	
<p><b>9. UPDATE FROM THE PMC ELECTION COMMITTEE</b>  <i>It was requested that the MN-S Election Committee review the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act adopted in 2008 with Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant.</i></p>	
<p><b>10. UPDATE FROM THE PMC ELECTION COMMITTEE</b>  <i>Directors were requested to forward any information they may have retained, related to prior MN-S elections (preferably in digital format), to Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, to assist in expediting the process leading up to the next MN-S election.</i></p>	
<p><b>11. UPDATE FROM THE PMC ELECTION COMMITTEE</b>  <i>It was requested that Mavis Taylor, CEO, arrange a conference call with Lorne Gibson, Michael Nolin, Richard Quintal, and the Election Committee on July 27, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.</i></p>	
<p><b>12. UPDATE FROM THE PMC ELECTION COMMITTEE</b>  That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council now rescinds the following motion passed on June 5, 2016: “That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) directs that all PMC member positions terminate August 2, 2016, and that Ernst &amp; Young and the MN-S CEO manage MN-S affairs during the 30-day period prior to the election”.</p>	
<p><b>13. UPDATE FROM THE PMC FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>  That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council approves payment of a retainer in the amount of \$60,000 to Cuelenaere, Kendall, Katzman &amp; Watson LLP (MN-S Legal Counsel).</p>	
<p><b>14. RESOLUTIONS</b>  <i>With respect to resolutions submitted for consideration at the 2016 MNLA, Regional Directors were requested to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Acknowledge locals and persons from their region, who submitted resolutions in compliance with the Constitution</i></li> <li>• <i>Inform Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, of locals and persons from their region, who submitted resolutions that were <b>not</b> in compliance with the Constitution, so Mr. Nolin could advise them of the status of their resolution.</i></li> </ul>	
<p><b>15. RESOLUTIONS</b>  <i>Regional Directors were asked to communicate to Michael Nolin, Legal Counsel, the names of legitimate Presidents so he could advise, in writing, those who were not recognized as legitimate Presidents in accordance with the Constitution.</i></p>	

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<p><b>16. OTHER BUSINESS - Cuthbert Grant Declaration</b> That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council adopt the Cuthbert Grant Declaration as presented, with some minor amendments.</p>	
<p><b>17. OTHER BUSINESS – The S.S. Northcote</b> That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council (PMC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approves building a replica of the S.S. Northcote (or rebuilding the original, whichever is more cost effective), and that money be allocated each year from the economic development funding to help cover project costs;</li> <li>• Appoints a three-person committee of PMC members to this project, one being the representative of the Delta Métis Local #42 from Cumberland House, who will Chair the S.S. Northcote Project Committee; and</li> <li>• Supports the S.S. Northcote Project Committee approaching the following entities on behalf of the PMC, for financial contributions to the project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Clarence Campeau Development Fund;</li> <li>○ Gabriel Dumont Institute;</li> <li>○ SMEDCO;</li> <li>○ Federal Government;</li> <li>○ Provincial Government;</li> <li>○ CAMECO/AREVA; and</li> <li>○ Métis National Council.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>18. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY (July 29, 2016)</b> That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Carrie Peacock, Raincoast Ventures Ltd., as the Recording Secretary for the July 29, 2016 meeting.</p>	
<p><b>19. Appointment of Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly and Chairpersons for the Annual General Assembly</b> WHEREAS Article 5 of the <i>Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act</i> directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoint a Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council at their duly called meeting of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council on June 4 and 5, 2016 appointed Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith as Speaker and Deputy Speaker for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly ratify these appointments as stated;</p>	

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<p>AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Will Goodon and Kathy Hodgson-Smith shall serve as Chairperson and Co-Chairperson for the Annual General Assembly.</p>	
<p><b>20. Appointment of Dumont’s Scouts</b></p> <p>WHEREAS Article 8 of the <i>Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act</i> directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to appoint Dumont’s Scouts to maintain order and procedure at the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints the following representatives of Eastern Region 2A as Dumont’s Scouts for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on July 30 and 31, 2016: Donna Bernard, Robert Bernard, Richard Genialle, Jeff Langan, Jeremy Langan, Donna Pelletier, Tyler Pelletier, Tyler Severight and Stewart Swain.</p>	
<p><b>21. Adoption of Métis Citizenship Standard</b></p> <p>WHEREAS the Métis Nation has inherent jurisdiction to identify the members/citizens of the Métis Nation;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis National Council (MNC) General Assembly ratified a National Definition for the identification of Métis Nation citizens, and amended it from time to time;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) has adopted the National Definition in the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> Article 10 and has established a Registry for the purpose of identifying and registering Métis Nation citizens resident in Saskatchewan pursuant to the National Definition;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Métis Nation to identify the citizens of the Métis Nation in a way that is open, transparent, consistent, objective and verifiable;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Supreme Court of Canada has required, and the MN-S does agree, that the process of identification of Métis Aboriginal rights holders must be objective and verifiable;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the MNC General Assembly directed, at the 2014 General Assembly, that the MNC and Governing Members ensure: a) that the National Definition of Métis is applied in all registrations; b) that the MNC and Governing Members engage fully in the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) Standard setting processes to the completion and publication of a Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard, which can be used to ensure that the identification and registration of Métis Nation members/citizens is consistent, respectful, objective and verifiable;</p>	

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<p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly require the MN-S to ensure compliance with the MNC General Assembly direction that the MN-S Registry ensure: a) that the National Definition of Métis is applied in all registrations; b) that the MN-S and the MN-S Registry ensure the implementation of the CSA Standard on Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard; and c) engage in the CSA Standard setting processes to review and update the Métis Nation Registry Operations Standard, from time to time, which can be used to ensure that the identification and registration of Métis Nation members/citizens is consistent, respectful, objective and verifiable.</p>	
<p><b>22. Adoption of Ernst &amp; Young Report in Lieu of Executive and Regional Reports</b></p> <p>WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan had not held the number of Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council meetings required by the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i>;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Court of Queen’s Bench found that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The last attempted Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly was unlawfully called and unlawfully held;</li> <li>b) That all of the motions passed at the last attempted Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly are of no force and effect; and</li> <li>c) The last lawfully called and lawfully held Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly was in 2012;</li> </ul> <p>AND WHEREAS the administrative funding and financial support to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan was discontinued by the Province of Saskatchewan and the Government of Canada on November 1, 2014 due to a lack of democracy, accountability and transparency in the operation of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS in order to reinstate funding toward the administration and operation of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan entered into an agreement with Ernst &amp; Young LLP, by motion of the Provincial Métis Council and signature of President Robert Doucette, on February 17, 2016 to allow Ernst &amp; Young LLP to carry out specific administrative, policy and financial processes on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, pursuant to the direction of the Provincial Métis Council as a third party Expert Advisor;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan has not been provided salaries since March 31, 2015 and has not participated fully in the ongoing meetings of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;</p>	

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<p>AND WHEREAS Articles 3 and 4 of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> and Article 9 of the <i>Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Act</i> provides that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council shall provide written reports to the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Ernst &amp; Young LLP, as Expert Advisor, has prepared a report on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council for submission to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly on July 30 and 31, 2016;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council has reviewed and approved the report of Ernst &amp; Young LLP as a written report of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council directs Ernst &amp; Young LLP to deliver the written report to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Métis Nation Legislative Assembly, on behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council, to comply with its constitutional reporting obligation.</p>	
<p><b>23. Deeming of Any Program, Service or Affiliate Created for the Purposes of the Constitution</b></p> <p>WHEREAS Article 3(3) of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> provides that the Provincial Métis Council is responsible for ensuring that the affiliates, departments, programs and services covered by their portfolios are running smoothly and have the necessary resources to enable them to operate effectively;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council deems to be an affiliate, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) BTB Festival Days Inc.;</li> <li>b) BTB Land Management Inc.;</li> <li>c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.;</li> <li>d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation;</li> <li>e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.;</li> <li>f) Round Prairie Developments Limited;</li> <li>g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.;</li> <li>h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; and</li> <li>i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;</li> </ul> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council needs to ensure it maintains an accurate account of all affiliates of the Métis</p>	

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<p>Nation – Saskatchewan and all corporations formed to meet the needs of the Métis people in Saskatchewan, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) BTB Festival Days Inc.;</li> <li>b) BTB Land Management Inc.;</li> <li>c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.;</li> <li>d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation;</li> <li>e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.;</li> <li>f) Round Prairie Developments Limited;</li> <li>g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.;</li> <li>h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; and</li> <li>i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;</li> </ul> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive provide the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council with certified copies of all documents relating to all affiliates of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) BTB Festival Days Inc.;</li> <li>b) BTB Land Management Inc.;</li> <li>c) Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.;</li> <li>d) Provincial Métis Housing Corporation;</li> <li>e) Round Prairie Ventures Inc.;</li> <li>f) Round Prairie Developments Limited;</li> <li>g) The Métis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.;</li> <li>h) All other corporations formed by an Executive member or members arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, and</li> <li>i) All corporations where an Executive member holds a position within that corporation arising from their authority as a member of the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>24. Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanism</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council supports the following resolution, and recommends its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:</p> <p>WHEREAS the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> is the governing document of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Paragraphs 3 to 5 of the Preamble of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> provides that the citizens of the Métis Nation agree to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) To ensure that any Métis person whose rights or freedoms as herein</li> </ul>	

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<p>recognized are violated shall have an effective remedy;</p> <p>b) To ensure that any person claiming such a remedy shall have their right thereto determined by a competent Judicial administrative or legislative authorities of the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan; and</p> <p>c) To ensure competent authorities as enacted by the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan shall enforce such remedies when granted;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Paragraph 9 of the Preamble of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> provides that all persons shall be equal before the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly in the termination of any issue which they are charged with, and that every Métis person shall be entitled to a fair and public hearing by a competent, independent and impartial tribunal established by the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council to establish and create an internal dispute resolution mechanism to meet the goals of the preamble as set out above.</p>	
<p><b>25. Selecting the MN-S Election Date / Calling of Election</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:</p> <p>WHEREAS Article 28 of the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended, and Article 8(2) of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> requires that the election day for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council be held within four (4) years of the previous election;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council has retained, pursuant to the advice of Ernst &amp; Young LLP as Expert Advisor, the expertise of Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, to advise on the process required to ensure the running of an election pursuant to the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Ernst &amp; Young LLP and Mr. Gibson have advised the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council on the proper timing for the holding of an election and have recommended an election day of February 4, 2017;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council seek to have an election that is in accordance with Article 1 of the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended, that promotes the meaningful exercise of the democratic rights and freedoms of the Métis citizens in Saskatchewan;</p>	

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<p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT an election day for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council be set as February 4, 2017.</p>	
<p><b>26. Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer</b></p> <p>WHEREAS Section 92 of the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended, directs the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly to appoint by resolution, a Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council recommends the appointment of Fred Payton to serve as the Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council recommends the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly appoint Fred Payton to serve as the Chief Electoral Officer for the election set for February 4, 2017.</p>	
<p><b>27. Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation- Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council rescind the following motion passed on March 5, 2016: “That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council set September 3, 2016 as the date for the 2016 MN-S Election, with advance polls scheduled on August 27, 2016”.</p>	
<p><b>28. The Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act Amendments</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:</p> <p>WHEREAS Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, represented by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (the “Government of Canada”) has agreed to provide funding to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan as per the Funding Agreement (Agreement No: 1415-HQ-000097) entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, April 1, 2014, as amended by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The undated Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan,</li> <li>• The May 1, 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan, and</li> <li>• The June 2016 Amending Agreement entered into between the Government of Canada and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (“Amending Agreement #3”)</li> </ul> <p>(collectively, the “MN-S Agreement”);</p>	



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<p>AND WHEREAS as part of the MN-S Agreement, an “Expert Advisor” must be retained;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. has contracted with Ernst &amp; Young LLP pursuant to an engagement letter dated June 17, 2016 and has appointed Ernst &amp; Young LLP as the Expert Advisor;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan and Ernst &amp; Young LLP agree that amendment of the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i> is a matter relevant to carrying out the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan’s obligations under the MN-S Agreement;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council amend the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i> in accordance with the recommendations provided by the Expert Advisor Ernst &amp; Young LLP, as follows (and described in the attached Schedule A):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In section 1, delete the words “<i>for the general election in 2007 and may be adapted to all subsequent elections</i>”;</li> <li>2. In section 2, in the definition of “declaration of election”, delete the words “the general election in 2007 and any by-election after the general election in 2007” and substitute the words “<i>a general election or by-election</i>”;</li> <li>3. In section 2, delete the term and definition for “<i>Independent Oversight Committee</i>”;</li> <li>4. In section 3, delete the words “<i>in 2007</i>” and the accompanying footnote;</li> <li>5. In section 28, delete subsection (2) and its heading and re-number subsection 28(1) as section 28;</li> <li>6. In section 92, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 92 accordingly;</li> <li>7. In section 101, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 101 accordingly;</li> <li>8. In subsection 107(1), add the words “Unless authorized otherwise by the Chief Electoral Officer,” to the beginning of the sentence;</li> <li>9. In section 111, delete subsection (2) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 111 accordingly;</li> <li>10. In section 116, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 116 accordingly;</li> <li>11. In section 120, delete subsection (3) and its heading, and re-number the remaining subsections in section 120 accordingly;</li> <li>12. Add a new section 127.1 to say: “No person shall disturb the peace and good order at a polling station”;</li> <li>13. Add a new section 127.2 to say: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <i>Any person who places or displays campaign material in or on any premises used as a polling station is guilty of an offence, and</i></li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

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<p>(2) Any person who uses, wears or displays or causes to be used, worn or displayed, any flag, ribbon, label, badge, or similar object in a polling station as campaign material, is guilty of an offence; and</p> <p>14. In Form 1 (VOTER REGISTRATION FORM) of the Schedule, delete the words "in 2007" and substitute the words "to be held on [election day]".</p>	
<p><b>29. Extension of Terms of Members of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council support the following resolution, and recommend its consideration and ratification at the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:</p> <p>WHEREAS Article 4(3) of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> provides that the Executive of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly have a term of office of four (4) years;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS Article 8(2) of the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> requires that an election for the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly be held within four (4) years of the previous Provincial Métis Council election;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the election of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly may not comply with the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> and the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT any member of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Provincial Métis Council of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly whose term will expire in accordance with the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> and the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended, where the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, Métis Nation Legislative Assembly secures an election date beyond the required timeframe, will have their term extended for a reasonable period of time to facilitate the completion of an election pursuant to the <i>Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</i> and the <i>Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007</i>, as amended.</p>	
<p><b>30. Election Consultant Contract</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council directs that the contract with Lorne Gibson, Election Consultant, be extended until the Chief Electoral Officer has been appointed, and the election period for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan election set for February 4, 2017, has commenced.</p>	

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<p><b>31. Quorum Counters</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council approves the following appointments of Quorum Counters for the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two designated Ernst &amp; Young LLP (EY) staff members; and</li> <li>• Carrie Peacock, Recording Secretary, specifically for any resolutions related to EY.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>32. Payment of MNLA Expenses (for Non-Recognized Delegates)</b></p> <p>That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council authorize Ernst &amp; Young LLP to reimburse the same expenses for attending the July 30 and 31, 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) for: registrants recognized as valid MNLA delegates, and registrants <b>not</b> recognized as valid MNLA delegates.</p>	