

# <u>Meeting of the Provincial Metis Council of the</u> <u>Metis Nation - Saskatchewan</u>

February 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Lloydminster, AB

RECORD OF MOTIONS

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## February 8, 2013

Call to order at 9:08 am (AB)

Roll Call

**PMC** 

Robert Doucette, MN-S President Louis Gardiner, MN-S Treasurer Gerald Morin, MN-S Vice President Monell Bailey, Metis Women Lela Arnold, Western Region 3 Derek Langan, Eastern Region 2a Billy Kennedy, Western Region 1a Penny Hurton, Western Region 2a Chester Herman, Northern Region 2 Helene Johnson, Eastern Region 2 Erin Hurton, Metis Youth Council President May Henderson, MN-S Secretary Michael Bell, Western Region 1 Darlene McKay, Western Region 2 Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3 Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1

# Staff

Dusty Ernewein, Director of Operation, MN-S Tyler Fetch, Manager of Intergovernmental Affairs, MN-S Rebecca Major, Policy Analyst, Intergovernmental Affairs

Guests

Mavis Taylor, Regional Manager, Western Region 1

Opening Prayer - Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3

Motion 053 - 8/02/2013

Adopt the agenda as amended (attached).

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Moved by Louis Gardiner

2<sup>nd</sup> Derek Langan

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## CARRIED

Ratification of ER3 Interim Area Director

## Discussion

- Secretary has not seen minutes from either the Qu'Appelle Local or Regional Council meeting voting Ms. Worsley in to either the Local President position or Area Director position.
- Regions should govern themselves; if this is what they wanted, then who are we (the PMC) to question that?
- The person in question should be allowed in here to defend their position; it is an opportunity I would like to have if in the same position.

# Motion 054 - 8/02/2013

To ratify the appointment of the interim area director for Eastern Region 3, Bev Worsley.

Moved by Helene Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> Billy Kennedy

For - 8

Opposed – 6 – May Henderson, Louis Gardiner, Penny Hurton, Chester Herman, Lela Arnold, Erin Hurton

## **CARRIED**

**Short Break** 

Roll Call

PMC

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Michael Bell, Western Region 1
Darlene McKay, Western Region 2
Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3
Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1
Bev Worsley, Eastern Region 3

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Absent - May Henderson, MN-S Secretary; Erin Hurton, Metis Youth Council President; Penny Hurton, Western Region 2a; and Louis Gardiner, MN-S Treasurer.

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## Guests

Mavis Taylor, Regional Manager, Western Region 1

Review and adoption of November 30/December 1, 2012 minutes.

## Discussion

- Need to record the most salient or relevant points relating to the motions.
- Need header, footer and roll call included.
  - o Roll call should include guests and staff.
- Minutes and records need to be secure and stored.

# Motion 055 - 8/02/2013

To accept the November 30, 2012 – December 1, 2012 PMC minutes as read and amended.

Moved by Derek Langan 2<sup>nd</sup> Glen McCallum

#### CARRIED

Request to review outstanding Nov 30/Dec 1 action items.

 Motion 041 – 1/12/2012 - wait for the Treasury Board to bring recommendations forward to the PMC regarding finances before addressing this issue. Derek Langan, Eastern Region 2a Chester Herman, Northern Region 2 Helene Johnson, Eastern Region 2 Michael Bell, Western Region 1 Darlene McKay, Western Region 2 Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3 Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1 Bev Worsley, Eastern Region 3 Penny Hurton, Western Region 2a

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Absent - May Henderson, MN-S Secretary Erin Hurton, Metis Youth Council President and Louis Gardiner, MN-S Treasurer.

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## Guests

Mavis Taylor, Regional Manager, Western Region 1

Discussion on MNC resolution on page 1 of attached resolutions.

- This needs to be brought to our people.
- This is not small changes.
- If everything is decided before we get there, why are we doing it?
- We should allow our people to have a say in this.
- PMC deserves to be updated on MNC activities so that issues may be debated at the PMC table.

# Motion 057 - 8/02/2013

The Provincial Metis Council hereby adopts the following amendments, with the precise wording to be presented by the Metis Rights Panel, and supports and encourages their adoption by the Board of Governors (attached, page 1). Not including the last paragraph, directing the voting of the MN-S.

Moved by Lennard Morin 2<sup>nd</sup> Helene Johnson

# CARRIED

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North West Metis Land Claim (Morin v. Saskatchewan and Canada?) April 1, 1994

- Members of the North West Saskatchewan Metis communities met last month in P.A.
- Revived the North West Saskatchewan Metis Council (NWSMC); passed motions to reactivate the North West Metis Land Claim.
- Representatives for this claim are the president of the MNC, the president of the MN-S and 4 representatives from the NWMC

# Motion 058 - 8/02/2013

Attached (Morin v. Canada and Saskatchewan)

Moved by Michael Bell

2<sup>nd</sup> Monell Bailey

## CARRIED

Decision by consensus: All members of the Provincial Metis Council shall attend the MNC AGM.

Director of Operations (DOO) Report/Legal

Motion 059 - 8/02/2013

Go in camera 2:03 pm

Out of Camera 3:41 pm

# GDI Rep for ER1

- Former rep's term has expired.
- Needs to be replaced.
- February 21, ER1 Regional Meeting

## Motion 060 - 8/02/2013

Appoint Angus Deschambault from Local # 42 as the GDI representative for Eastern Region 1

Moved by Penny Hurton

2<sup>nd</sup> Gerald Morin

## CARRIED

#### Veterans

3 medals were awarded to Metis veterans.

Tropical Inn, Lloydminster, AB

It is complete.

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## Veterans Monument

- \$110,000
- Can complete some of it this year.

# Motion 061 - 8/02/2013

The Provincial Metis Council of the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan authorize CCDF to direct the next \$100,000 capital grant for Batoche towards the Metis Veterans monument to be constructed on the Metis Nation – Saskatchewan Batoche grounds effective for the 2013/14 fiscal year.

Moved by Lennard Morin 2<sup>r</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> Bev Worsley

Abstained - Penny Hurton

#### **CARRIED**

**Duty to Consult** 

Tabled until the Minister of Economic Development is present.

# History Book

- Tabled until the President is present as this item pertains to him.

## Willow Bunch Metis Building

- Would like aid in keeping their building
- This may cause more problems than it solves.
- The president of Assiniboia also would like assistance.
- Director McKay recommended Director Arnold to send the presidents to CCDF.

## HR Committee

- There is a new manual that requires review.
- HR Committee has decided to work with the IGA Minister to develop a manual.
- The HR committee seeks direction from the PMC regarding the scope and role of the HR Committee. There is some discrepancy between who hires full-time v. contract hiring.
- Offer from Metis Women's President to lend some expertise to the development of the HR Manual.

# By-elections

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- President Doucette sent a letter to MNP and PMC re: by-elections.
- Must be within 6 months of last election.
- Where do we get the money for by-elections?
- GM Should not pay for them out of existing budgets.

Decision by consensus – President Doucette to speak with Treasurer Gardiner to begin the process of seeking election funding from the Provincial Government.

Closing Prayer - Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3

Chair adjourns

# Saturday, February 9, 2013

Call to order 9:10 am

Roll Call

PMC

Robert Doucette, MN-S President
Gerald Morin, MN-S Vice President
Monell Bailey, Metis Women
Lela Arnold, Western Region 3
Derek Langan, Eastern Region 2a
Billy Kennedy, Western Region 1a
Penny Hurton, Western Region 2a
Chester Herman, Northern Region 2
Helene Johnson, Eastern Region 2
Erin Hurton, Metis Youth Council President
Michael Bell, Western Region 1
Darlene McKay, Western Region 2
Glen McCallum, Northern Region 3
Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1

Absent - May Henderson, MN-S Secretary; and Louis Gardiner, MN-S Treasurer.

Staff

Tyler Fetch, Manager of Intergovernmental Affairs, MN-S Rebecca Major, Policy Analyst, Intergovernmental Affairs

#### Guests

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Mavis Taylor, Regional Manager, Western Region 1

Opening Prayer - Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1

Discussion of recent Star Phoenix article (attached)

- More discretion is needed when providing letters of reference.
- Should not use "President Doucette" for letters of reference; if it is personal, then it
  must be construed as such.
- President should write a letter of rebuttal to the Phoenix explaining the nature of the letter.
- Citizens should seek letters of reference from their Area Directors.
- The PMC was not aware of this letter, and should have been. If the Nation is being represented, the PMC should be apprised.
- A copy of the letter shall be sent to the PMC; the rebuttal shall be sent to the PMC,
   Government and Locals.

# Workplans/budget/regional capacity

## Discussion

- Registry there should be a worker at the regional level
- The Area Directors should be aware of workers in their region.
- Regional Directors should be sitting in the hiring process when someone is being hired to work within that Director's region.
- The Government does not trust this Nation, but that was in the past. This is a new board, and not destined to repeat the past. This board should not be limited due to past actions.
- The Citizenship registration forms are easy to fill out. The problem exists when the application gets stuck in the process. This is where the most help is needed; when there is more information required for the application. The Registry is not doing this.
- Help exists in the initial process, but there is an unwillingness to help after the application is filed.
- Need to try to speed up the registration process.
- PMC should have registry worker statistics made available to them.

Area Directors should be able to know who has been registered in their regions. Why should Locals need membership lists if Regions cannot?

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# Motion 062 - 8/02/2013

The Registry should have a worker working within the Regions, for the Region and in the Director's home office and community so that they may work together. These workers shall be full-time employees, and shall have the skills and language abilities needed to work in the region. Future Registry Work plans shall reflect this, and the current work plan shall be amended to reflect this. Plans will be submitted to Federal Government with a report to next PMC meeting.

Moved by Glen McCallum

2<sup>nd</sup> Derek Langan

## CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# Genealogy Discussion

- Need the budget to be amended to allow for administration of the above motion.
- There was furniture purchased but never delivered
- The work plans and budgets for 2012 2013 have not been approved by the PMC.

# Motion 063 - 8/02/2013

The PMC instructs that the current Powley B (Geneaology) workplan be amended to reflect \$700/month to cover regional worker related administration expenses (space rental, phone, copiers, furniture, reception, etc.).

Moved by Darlene McKay

2<sup>nd</sup> Lennard Morin

# **ABSTAINED Penny Hurton**

#### CARRIED

- Need to have a meeting of the PMC with one agenda item: work plans
- Need to set a date for this meeting.

The PMC will hold a special meeting with budgets/workplans being the only agenda item, on March 5 and 6 2013 in Saskatoon.

BTB

Discussion

- If there is an event taking place in a region, the Director should be a part of all discussions and activities relating to the event.

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- If there is a ministerial position, we have to allow that Director to hold that position.
- President Doucette There will be a BTB meeting in February and Darlene McKay will be invited to discuss this item, and it will be brought back to the PMC at the next meeting.

Motion 064 - 8/02/2013

Adjourn 11:50 am (AB)

Moved by Lennard Morin

Closing Prayer - Lennard Morin, Eastern Region 1