



MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	May 20, 2021	Time:	9:30am
Minutes Prepared By:	Derek Robitaille	Location:	Microsoft Teams Video Conference

Attendees

Participating Board: Acting President Lissa Smith, Directors Shaughn Davoren, Patrick Harriott, Louis De Jaeger, Dean Gladue, Debra Fisher, Raynie Gervais, Susie Hooper, Paulette Flamond

Regrets: Dr. Kate Elliott (joined at 3:55pm)

Staff: Daniel Fontaine – CEO/Deputy Minister, Chris Gall – Chief Public Affairs Officer, Derek Robitaille – Executive Assistant to the Chief Public Affairs Officer, Lydia Stefan – Executive Assistant to the CEO/Deputy Minister, Aimee Patino – Cabinet Secretariat

Guests: None

1. Welcome/Call to Order

At 9:37am, Acting President Lissa Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting. Opening prayer was conducted by Director Gladue.

1.1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

Board of Directors:

Acting President Lissa Smith acknowledged the Malahat First Nation and traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples of which she was calling from.

Director Davoren acknowledged the Vernon District Métis Association and traditional territory of the Syeelwhw Nation of which he was calling from.

Director Harriott acknowledged the Métis Nation of Greater Victoria and traditional territory of the WSÁNEĆ peoples of which he was calling from.

Director De Jaeger acknowledged the Chilliwack Métis Association and traditional territory of the Sto:lo people of which he was calling from.

Director Fisher acknowledged the Columbia Valley Métis Association and traditional shared territory of the Ktunaxa and Secwepemc Nations of which she was calling from.

Director Gervais acknowledged the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh of which he was calling from.

Director Hooper acknowledged the Tri-River Métis Community traditional territory of the Gidimt'en of which she was calling from.

Director Flamond acknowledged the Kelly Lake Métis Society and the traditional territory of the Dunne-za of which she was calling from.

Staff:

CEO, Daniel Fontaine acknowledged the Nova Métis Heritage Association and traditional territory of the Qayqayt First Nation of which he was calling from.

Chief Public Affairs Officer, Chris Gall acknowledged the Musqueam Indian Band and traditional territory of the Coast Salish people of which he was calling from.

Executive Assistant to the Chief Public Affairs Officer, Derek Robitaille acknowledged the traditional territory of the Kwantlen First Nation of which he was calling from.



1.2. Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED by (Director Fisher) and SECONDED by (Director Harriott) THAT the meeting agenda be approved as presented.
CARRIED

1.3. Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Fisher) THAT the minutes of the April 17, 2021 Special Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented;

THAT the minutes of the April 17, 2021 Regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

1.4. Action Items

Acting President Smith provided a general update on the action items and requested follow up if needed.

1.5. Record of Decisions

The Record of Decisions document was received for information.

1.6. CEO's Report

PRESENTATION

May 2021

CEO Daniel Fontaine provided a MNBC Headquarters update, which included key meetings and events, the Ministry of Finance, Human Resources, Central Registry, Administration, Public Affairs, and key upcoming dates. Following the presentation, time was allotted for questions and answers.

Recessed at 11:11am and reconvened at 11:24am

1.7. Regional Director Reports

The Regional Director reports were received for information. Moving forward, the reports will be referred to as 'Board Reports'.

Regional Director Reports

Director De Jaeger, Region 2

Director Fisher, Region 4

Director Gervais, Region 5

Director Hooper, Region 6

Director Flamond, Region 7



1.8. Director of Finance Report

The Senior Director of Finance joined to provide an overview of the March 2021 financial statements.

It was MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Gladue) THAT the March 2021 financial statements be received for information.

CARRIED

Recessed at 11:59am and reconvened at 12:36pm

1.10. Live Streaming Recommendations

The live streaming and recording recommendations provided by staff were received for information. Discussion ensued about the potential implications involved surrounding sensitive information, editing time, and copyright. Prior to deciding on approving the live streaming recommendations, a list of policies and guidelines that serve as means for protection will be presented by staff at the June 2021 board retreat.

1.9. In-Camera Meeting Procedures

The Chief Public Affairs Officer went over the recommended in-camera meeting procedures.

It was then MOVED by (Director Hooper) and SECONDED by (Director De Jaeger) THAT the in-camera meeting procedures be approved as presented.

CARRIED

1.11. 2021 Federal Budget Overview

The 2021 Federal Budget Overview documents were received for information and will be shared with senior staff.

2. Métis Financial Corporation

PRESENTATION

Update

CEO of Métis Financial Corporation of BC, Evan Salter joined to present on the growth of MFCBC, increased funding of over 500%, expanded programs, client and portfolio development, current programs offered, emergency loans and grants, micro business, community owned and tourism business grants, and the collaboration between MNFCB/MNBC.

Recessed at 2:18pm and reconvened at 2:35pm

3. Strategic Plan

It was MOVED by (Director Flamond) and SECONDED by (Director De Jaeger) THAT the draft 2021-2024 MNBC Strategic Plan be approved as presented.

CARRIED



4. MNGA Debrief

The Board of Directors debriefed on the 2021 MNGA and discussed what could potentially be considered and improved for MNGA's moving forward.

- Director Davoren left at 2:59pm

5. 2021 AGM

It was MOVED by (Director Gladue) and SECONDED by (Director Gervais)

WHEREAS

- Cases of COVID-19 are still prevalent throughout Canada;
- There is an unpredictable timeline for when travel and social gathering restrictions will be lifted;
- The safety of our citizens is of the utmost importance;
- A minimum of six months is required to plan an in-person AGM;
- The deposit is at risk of being forfeited if immediate action is not taken;
- Any savings from the 2021 AGM will be redirected to MNBC Chartered Communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the 2021 AGM from September 17-19, 2021 be held virtually.

CARRIED

(Director Davoren was absent for the vote)

6. Regional Initiatives and Innovation Grant Pilot Project

Registrar and Senior Director of Citizenship Services, Maryann Morrison joined to discuss conditions for obtained funding to enhance community capacity at \$200,000 (\$28,500 per project.) The Regional Initiatives and Innovation Grant will aim to stimulate innovation and provide solutions at the regional level through community partnerships.

It was then MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Hooper) THAT the Regional Initiatives and Innovation Grant Pilot Project terms and conditions be approved as recommended by staff.

CARRIED

- Director Davoren re-joined at 3:22pm

7. Métis Culture and Heritage Advisory Group

Senior Director of Culture, Heritage and Language, Katie Trace joined to present the draft terms of reference for the recommended creation of a Métis Culture and Heritage Advisory Group.

It was then MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Davoren) THAT the creation of a Métis Culture and Heritage Advisory Group and Terms of Reference be approved as recommended by staff.

CARRIED



8. MMIWG2S

It was MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Davoren) THAT MNBC will make a one-year commitment - “Reflect, Reconcile, and Re-envision our narrative for future generations” with the following guidelines:

- 1) Each month a different ministry will receive a "lunch and learn" about MMIWG2S and the impact that this has on citizens (facilitated by MWBC and Ministry of Women and Gender Equity).
- 2) Following the education session, a systematic review will be conducted to determine how we are meeting this goal, what we can do to enact the call for justice, and the current barriers.
- 3) This review will be presented to the Board of Directors to disseminate knowledge and opportunity for cross-ministry collaboration. (Review will be five minutes with time for questions).

CARRIED

- Director Elliott left at 4:13pm

9. Round Table Discussion

The Board of Directors were provided with five minutes each to discuss and share updates within their Region.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:38pm

Director Fisher conducted the closing prayer and it was MOVED by (Director Harriott) and SECONDED by (Director Fisher) to adjourn the meeting.



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Approval Sheet

Approved by: _____ Acting President

Approved by: _____ Secretary

Date: **June 1, 2021**