

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING		
Date of Meeting:	June 19, 2026	Time:	9:00 AM
Minutes Prepared By:	Barinder Lalli	Location:	Microsoft Teams

ATTENDEES

Participating Board of Directors:	Participating Staff (for all or a portion of the meeting):
Interim President Melanie Allard	Colleen Hodgson, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Minister Louis De Jaeger	Jas Rehal, Acting Chief Operating Officer
Minister Paulette Flamond	Barinder Lalli, Board Operations Manager
Minister Raynie Gervais	Anna Maione, Chief Financial Officer
Minister Susie Hooper	Diljot Bassi, Executive Director, Finance
Minister Allan Lavallee	Diane VanBroeck, Director of Financial Reporting and Budgeting
Minister Dean Gladue	Danalee Baker, Director, Financial Development
Minister Danielle Bergevin	
Minister Carmen Carriere	
Regrets:	
Minister Patrick Harriott	
Minister Debra Fisher	

Note: The agenda was varied by consensus throughout the meeting. The minutes are recorded in the order they were considered. Items added to the agenda at the meeting are at the end of these minutes.

1. Welcome/Call to Order/Opening Prayer

Interim President Allard called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and provided an Opening Prayer.

2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister De Jaeger

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the agenda of the June 19, 2026 Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. FY26/27 Budget Approval

The Board was provided an overview of the proposed draft FY26/27 budget. In the course of the overview, and in response to queries, the following was highlighted:

- Factors to be considered in budget development included rising operational costs due to inflation, increased demand for service and programs from the growing number of citizens, funding shortfall, and shifting political economic priorities at the federal and provincial level;
- Budget is separated into four layers which include program delivery, shared programming support services, central services, and reserves; and
- The Chief Financial Officer confirmed that, as the year progresses and MNBC receives additional funding that more funds will be added to the reserve.

- Total funding is \$113,103,972, with \$84,135,406 in program delivery, \$8,757,155 in shared programming support services, and \$20,211,410 in central services and administrative allocation;
- The total budget reduction from the prior year is \$8 million, or -6.6%.

In response to queries, the following was noted:

- Central services includes departments such as People and Culture, IT, Finance, Governance, Government and Strategic Relations, and Facilities and Operations;
- Severance is always an unexpected cost, but is absorbed within the department/cost area of the employee;
- Severance does not impact insurance;
- The full cost of program delivery is shown in the budget; being sustainable means recognizing the true cost of service delivery;
- Variance analysis will be a key part of maintaining the budget; quarterly reporting packages will be brought to the Board;
- Overall funding to communities has increased from \$2.3 million to \$3.7 million;
- The cost of the 2025 by-election can be provided to the Board; and
- A supplementary information sheet can be provided giving an overview of Board budget amounts;

Discussion ensued, and it was requested that the legal expenses budget be doubled and the Senate budget be increased to match last year's amount.

The Executive Director, Finance, the Director of Financial Reporting and Budgeting, and the Director of Financial Development departed the meeting at 11:15 AM.

4. Break

The meeting recessed at 11:15 AM and reconvened at 11:30 AM.

5. Meeting Moves In-Camera

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister De Jaeger

SECONDED: Minister Hooper

RESOLVED:

THAT the Board of Directors meeting move in-camera pursuant to following subsections of Board Policy Manual Policy D-1:

I. Negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Board of Directors, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of MNBC if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting moved in-camera at 11:30 AM.

The meeting moved out of in-camera at 12:19 PM.

6. Adjournment

MOTION:

MOVED: Minister Flamond

SECONDED: Minister Gladue

RESOLVED:

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 12:19 PM.

Approval Sheet

Approved by: Melanie Allard Interim President

Approved by: Paulette Flamond Secretary

Date: July 27, 2026