



BC Métis Federation  
Board Meeting  
*Suite 300 – 3665 Kingsway  
Vancouver, BC  
(BC Métis Federation Office)*

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Approved Minutes**

**Attendance:**

1. Joe Desjarlais
2. Keith Henry
3. Ken Fisher
4. Betty Fisher
5. Rene Therrien

**Missing:**

1. Jeremy (JJ) Lavallee
2. Baillie Redfern

**Staff/Contractor Support:**

1. Sherry Daniels
2. Shauna Benson
3. Kelly Davison

**Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**10:00 AM**

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks 10:00 AM
2. Review and Approve Agenda 10:05 AM

**Motion 20160430 -01 - To approve agenda as amended.**

**Moved by Ken Fisher**

**Seconded by Rene Therrien**

**Carried**

3. BC Métis Federation Draft Minutes 10:10 AM
  - a. November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Motion 20160430 -02 - To approve November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 minutes with amendments.**

**Moved by Ken Fisher**

**Seconded by Rene Therrien**

**Carried**

4. Economic Development Corporation 10:15 AM
  - a. Update – Contracted Executive Director Shauna Benson

- b. National Aboriginal Economic Development Board Presentation in Victoria

**Motion 20160430 -03 - To approve the Economic Development Corporation update as presented.**

**Moved by Ken Fisher**  
**Seconded by Betty Fisher**  
**Carried**

- 5. BC Métis Federation Finances 10:45 AM
  - a. Review 2015-2016 Year End Financial
  - b. 2016-2017 Operational Budget Review

**Motion 20160430 -04 - To approve the 2015-2016 Financial Report**

**Moved by Betty Fisher**  
**Seconded by Rene Therrien**  
**Carried**

*Action Item #1: Treasurer to add an appendix of board member expenses to the year end financial report.*

**Motion 20160430 -05- To approve the amended 2016-2017 Operational Plan subject to available resources**

**Moved by Joe Desjarlais**  
**Seconded by Rene Therrien**  
**Carried**

*Lunch* *12:00 noon*

- 6. Operational 1:00 PM
  - a. 2016 Cultural Events Update
    - i. Kamloops Event Planning
    - ii. Prince George Event Planning
    - iii. Williams Lake Update
    - iv. Fusion Festival
    - v. Terrace (Skeena River)

**Motion 20160430 -06 - To approve \$1000.00 for the community events in Williams Lake and Surrey**

**Moved by Betty Fisher**  
**Seconded by Rene Therrien**  
**Carried**

*Action Item #2 – Sherry Daniels to draft letter to Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association to confirm support for Williams Lake event asap.*

**Action Item #3 – President Henry to follow up with corporate support for events in Terrace, Prince George and Fort St. John.**

- b. Membership Update

**Motion 20160430 -07 - To approve the membership report as presented**

**Moved by Ken Fisher**

**Seconded by Rene Therrien**

**Carried**

- c. Consultation Department Update - Kelly Davison
  - i. Pembina Project
- d. Organizational Sustainability
- e. Métis Foster Child SS Update
  - i. Legal Process
- f. Canadian Human Rights Case Update
  - i. Ken Fisher and MNBC

**Action Item #4: Jesse Donovan will be requested to assist asap once he begins summer employment May 16<sup>th</sup>. This must be a priority.**

**Action Item #5: Betty Fisher and Ken Fisher agreed to follow up with complaints regarding MNBC's limitation of access to employment and training services.**

- g. Proposals
  - i. AROP
  - ii. Heritage Canada 150
  - iii. Michif Language Workshop Grant Application
  - iv. Aboriginal Languages Initiative - Michif Language Heritage Canada

**Information - Project Coordinator Earlene Bitterman provided an update on proposals submitted and the status as follows:**

- **Aboriginal Languages Initiative - \$86,500.00**
- **Canada 150 Fund - \$137,660.00**
- **BCMF Capacity Funding Federal Grant - \$200,000.00 Per year/5 Year**
- **City of Vancouver Cultural Grant (Louis Riel Event) – \$10,000.00**

*Break*

*2:30 PM - 2:45 PM*

7. Other...

2:45 PM

- a. Annual General Meeting Terrace, BC
- b. Daniels Case Forum May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016
- c. BC Metis Federation Elections
  - i. Review Work Plan

**Motion 20160430 -08 - To approve the 2016 BC Métis Federation proposed electronic voting work plan for implementation September 2016**

**Moved by Ken Fisher**  
**Seconded by Joe Desjarlais**  
**Opposed by Rene Therrien**  
**Carried**

d. Summer Student Program – ACCESS (Jesse Donovan)

8. Next Meeting 2:55 PM

9. Adjournment 3:00 PM

**Motion 20160430 -09 - To adjourn at 4:30 PM**

**Moved by Rene Therrien**  
**Carried**

Approved by:

BCMF Chairperson  
BCMF Secretary

Dated: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016