

BC Métis Federation
Board Meeting
Element Vancouver Metrotown
5988 Willingdon Ave
Burnaby, BC

Saturday, August 24th, 2019
Noon – 5:00 PM

Draft Minutes

Board Members Attendance:

1. Keith Henry - President
2. Rene Therrien – Vice President
3. Joe Desjarlais – Secretary
4. Betty Fisher - Treasurer
5. Angel Fisher – Board member
6. Cindy Wilgosh (via telephone 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm) – Board member
7. Jeremy Lavallee (via telephone intermittently) – Board member

Board Members Absent:

1. Baillie Redfern – Board member
2. Earl Belcourt – Board member

BC Métis Federation Operational Team:

1. Sherry Daniels – Office Manager
2. Drake Henry – Project Coordinator
3. Shauna Collister – Policy Economic Development
4. Lauretta Morin – Director of Child Welfare
5. Bruce Shelvey – Associate Professor of History & Political Studies

BC Métis Federation Guests

1. Derrick Whiteskycloud – Member of Michif Historical & Cultural Preservation Society & Métis Matters radio show
2. Dale Haggerty – President of Michif Historical & Cultural Preservation Society
3. Lynn McBride (5:10 PM) – Supervisor of Indigenous Services

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks 12:22 PM

Board and team members were welcomed to the meeting, prayer lead by Joe Desjarlais, followed with fiddle music by Rene Therrien. Round table introductions and key items were prioritized for the day.

2. Review August 24th, 2019 Agenda 12:47 PM

Motion 20190824-1 – To approve the August 24th, 2019 agenda as presented.

Moved by – Betty Fisher

Seconded by – Rene Therrien

Carried

3. BC Métis Federation Draft Minutes

12:50PM

a). June 27th, 2019

Motion 20190824-2 – To approve the June 27th, 2019 minutes as amended.

Moved by – Joe Desjarlais

Seconded by – Rene Therrien

Carried

4. BC Métis Federation Finance Update

12:57 PM

a). 2018-2019 Audit

b). 2019-2020 Budget Update

Motion 20190824-3 – To approve the 2018 – 2019 financial audit as presented.

Moved by – Cindy Wilgosh

Seconded by – Joe Desjarlais

Carried

Action item #1 – BC Métis Federation board members have been advised that as soon as 2018-2019 financial audit is completed a conference call will be scheduled to approve.

5. BC Métis Federation Membership Update

1:13 PM

Motion 20190824-4 – To approve membership report as presented.

Moved by – Rene Therrien

Seconded by – Angel Fisher

Carried

6. BC Métis Federation Phase 3 – IAMC Application

1:17 PM

a). Application Project and Budget – Review

7. Indigenous Advisory and Monitoring Committee

1:27 PM

a). Métis Representative – BC

b). Health Subcommittee Update July 2019

Motion 20190824-5 – To approve the Health Subcommittee update as presented.

Moved by – Joe Desjarlais

Seconded by – Rene Therrien

Carried

Action item #2 – Baillie Redfern to clarify the community events/meetings in Clear Water.

8. Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) 1:34 PM
- a). Government of Canada Natural Resources Canada Meeting Minister Sohi July 23rd
 - b). NRCan Terrestrial Land Use Study Update
 - c). NRCan Regulatory Phase 1V
9. Proposed Trans Mountain Expansion Equity Offer 2:04 PM
- a). Meeting with Minister of Finance, Honorable Bill Morneau
 - i. Meeting August 25th 10:00 AM
 - ii. Review discussion Paper and Questions
 - iii. Define Process/Engagement with members and partner communities
 - b). Western Indigenous Pipeline Group Update

Action item #3 – BC Métis Federation representatives Keith Henry, Rene Therrien, Betty Fisher and Shauna Collister to attend August 25th, 2019 Department of Finance’s Engagement on Economic Participation on Trans Mountain Expansion Project.

10. Transport Canada Minor Works Order Response 2:40 PM
- a). Project Outline

Action item #4 – Tabled from last board meeting on June 27th, 2019, will report on at next board meeting.

11. 2019-2020 BC Metis Federation 2:42 PM
- a). Indigenous Services Canada
 - b). Representative Organizational Funding Application

*** This matter will be reviewed at a later date – still outstanding.**

12. Michif Language/Cultural Project Update 2:43 PM
- a). Review work plan
 - b). Draft Michif Survey
 - c). “Project Coming Home” – Discussions with Partner

Motion 20190824-6 – To accept Michif survey as amended.

Moved by – Betty Fisher

Seconded by – Joe Desjarlais

Carried

Action item #5 - Prepare and distribute an immediate communications/news release to announce The Michif Language Revitalization Project.

Action item #6 - Board members that have any suggestions on Métis elders/Michif speakers who would be interested in getting involved with the project to get into contact with Rene Therrien.

Motion 20190824-7 – To support the following;

- 1. Agreement for BC Métis Federation to work together with Michif Historical and Cultural Preservation Society immediately.**
- 2. To negotiate with BC Métis Federation and Michif Historical and Cultural Preservation Society regarding an MOU**
- 3. Concept plan to bring project ‘Coming Home’ to Vancouver.**

Moved by – Betty Fisher

Seconded by – Angel Fisher

Carried

13. 8th Annual General Meeting October 5th, 2019 Kelowna, BC

3:58 PM

- a). Draft Agenda
- b). Budget

Action item #7 – Angel Fisher to create a poster for Annual General Meeting to be released by September 4th, 2019.

Action item #8 – Rene Therrien to work on evening cultural program for Annual General Meeting.

14. Other

4:19 PM

- a). 2018-2019 Annual Report Status
- b). Métis Child and Family Update
 - i. Indigenous Services Canada Process Update with Government of Canada
 - ii. SS Case Update – Legal Support Sarah Clarke
- c). Métis Housing Project Application Update
- d). Irving K. Barber Board Representative
- e). Legal Services Society Information
- f). Board Member Appointment Options

Action item #9 – Drake Henry to follow up on numerous recommendations discussed regarding annual report.

Motion 20190824-8 – To approve the retainer agreement by Clarke Child & Family Law.

Moved by – Betty Fisher

Seconded by – Joe Desjarlais

Carried

Action item #10 – BC Métis Federation to review budget subject to the outcome of standing.

Motion 20190824-9 – To approve Angel Fisher as BC Métis Federation representative for Irving K Barber Scholarship Society.

Moved by – Rene Therrien

Seconded by - Joe Desjarlais
Carried

Action item #11 – Shauna Collister to contact Irving K Barber Scholarship Society and confirm BC Métis Federation Representative Angel Fisher.

Action item #12 – Confirm representative attendance from Indigenous Services and add to upcoming Annual General Meeting agenda.

Motion 20190824-10 – To approve the appointment of Greg Mazur and Jacquie Swaisland to BC Métis Federation board of directors, effective immediately.

Moved by – Rene Therrien

Seconded by – Joe Desjarlais

Carried

Action item #13 – Sherry Daniels to notify Greg Mazur and Jacquie Swaisland of their appointment.

15. Next Meeting

6:04 PM

*** Next meeting will be determined subject to the completion of 2018-2019 audit expected very shortly.**

16. Adjournment

6:05 PM

Motion 20190824-11 – To Adjourn at 6:04 PM

Moved by – Betty Fisher

Carried