

BC Métis Federation (BCMF)
Board of Directors
Conference Call Meeting

Approved Minutes

Tuesday, July 16th, 2013, 7:00PM – 9:00 PM

Attendance -

Daryl Piper
Joe Desjarlais
Keith Henry
Maxine Lavallee
Lyle Letendre
Rene Therrien
Patrick Pocha
Tim St. Denis
Richard Lucier Larson
Wayne Lucier
Gloria Rendell
Earlene Bitterman

Regrets –

Beverly Lambert

Technical Support –

Cynthia Kolada
Michael Morgan

Guests –

Lynn Garry
Ron Paradis
Judy Thibeault
George and Terry Goulet
Patrick Harriet
Marlene Swears
Ted McNichol

1. Opening Remarks

7:07 pm

Thank all the guests, board and technical staff for being on the call. Great work by everyone that we continue to spread the BCMF message and people are hearing it.

2. Review and approval of agenda

7: 10 pm

Motion 2013-07/16/01 – To approve the agenda as presented. Moved by Rene Therrien and seconded by Maxine Lavallee. Carried

3. BC Métis Federation Financial Statements**7:12 PM**

BCMF balance sheet was sent to the Board. Donations totaled approximately \$80,000 from a number of sources. Financially BCMF continues to grow and we should be proud of the responsible spending.

ACTION ITEM #1: Board will discuss options at the AGM regarding financial situation and donations.

Motion 2013-07/16/02 – To approve the financial statements as presented. Moved by Gloria Rendell and seconded by Wayne Lucier. Carried

4. BC Métis Federation Métis Music Festival Budget**7:25 PM**

The poster has been circulated for the festival and the feedback has been positive to date. There will be nine bands present and a teleconference is set for Thursday for those involved in the festival. Raffle ticket sales have gone well and have raised about \$800. Down payments have been made for the grounds, sound man etc. Vendors will be welcome and they will be charged \$20 per day. Those who are attending could contribute gifts for the silent auction.

5. Human Rights Complaints Update**7:45 PM**

Making significant progress as an organization but BCMF needs to have clear mandate in proceeding.

1. BC Human Rights Tribunal

Meeting is October 29th, 2013 to meet with all the departments that are cited in the complaint. These meetings need to have a very small team that is given the mandate to negotiate. Their needs to be one lead and the total team to consist of 4-6 people (including one or two Board members). Between now and the AGM BCMF needs to define what the expectations/outcomes are.

ACTION ITEM #2: Keith will have a discussion with possible legal counsel and send recommendations to the Board as soon as possible regarding proposed team members.

6. BC Métis Federation Membership Report**8:10 PM**

BCMF represents approximately 7000 people including all member communities. The report outlines the membership and how it is working. To date 438 cards have been processed and 18 are waiting for completion.

Motion 2013-07/16/03 – To approve the membership report as presented. Moved by Gloria Rendell and seconded by Rene Therrien. Carried

7. Other...**8:20PM****a. BC Métis Federation Evening of Culture July 23rd**

It is anticipated that attendance will be approximately 200 people including many corporate friends. The evening is to be held from 6pm – 9pm and will be a fundraiser with music and culture. ***Need volunteers***

b. Fusion Festival July 20th and 21st

a. <http://www.surrey.ca/fusionfestival/149.aspx>

Bev has taken the lead on this and has been working with NOVA. Maxine is performing on Sunday. The celebration is from 10am – 11pm each day.

ACTION ITEM #3: Please let Bev know if you are able to attend.

8. Closing Remarks

8:40 PM

Update of Father Guy Lavallee's upcoming visit. Thanks to George and Terry for the article on the Bell of Batoche.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:50 pm.

Approved by:

BCMF Chairperson
BCMF Secretary

Dated: September 12th, 2013