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BC Métis Federation
Board Meeting
Virtual
Wednesday, November 12th, 2025
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Draft Minutes

Attendance

Board:

Keith Henry, President
Cindy Wilgosh. Treasurer
Rosanne Forget, Board Member
Elizabeth Pearce, Board Member
Robin McLay, Board Member
Jordan Therrien, Board Member

Absent: Earl Belcourt, Vice President

Staff:

Betty Fisher, Director of Finance
Brady Smith, Senior Strategic Policy Advisor

Guests:

Brad Giroux, Manager of Industry Engagement

1. **Welcome and Opening Comments** **3:00 PM**

President Henry welcomed the board, staff and guest to the meeting which was called as follow up to the recent Annual General Meeting in Kelowna. The board has agreed to advance appointments to the board and this is the main objective for the meeting.

2. **Review/Approval of the Draft Agenda** **3:05 PM**

Motion 20251112 - 01: **To approve the meeting agenda as amended.**
Moved: Rosanne Forget
Seconded: Cindy Wilgosh
All in favor
Motion Carried

Li taan paasii. Li taan ki vyayn.
From our past. For our future.

3. **Review Minutes October 23rd, 2025** **3:15 PM**

The board meeting amended the agenda to defer the approval of the October 23rd meeting until the next board meeting.

4. **Annual General Meeting Follow Up** **3:20 PM**
    a. **Feedback**
    b. **T2D Prevention Support**
    c. **Michif Language Program**

Board members shared their informal feedback about the success of the recent Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Kelowna. The board appreciated the new aspects of the meeting as well as the general positive atmosphere.

The board also was advised about the operational team follow up from the AGM such as the T2D survey and Michif language projects. These items have since been sent to the partner communities and members for increased engagement, etc.

5. **Appointment of Board Members** **3:30 PM**
    i. **Brad Giroux**
    ii. **Earl Storey**

Motion 20251112 - 02: **To appoint a Mr. Brad Giroux to the board of directors at BC Metis Federation, effective immediately.**
Moved: Rosanne Forget
Seconded: Elizabeth Pearce
All in favor
Motion Carried

Motion 20251112 - 03: To appoint Mr. Earl Storey to the board of directors at BC Metis Federation, effective immediately, subject to confirmation
Moved: Cindy Wilgosh
Seconded: Jordan Therrien
All in favor
Motion Carried

Action Item #1: *To confirm the appointment for the BCMF board with Mr. Earl Storey*

6. **BC Metis Federation 2025-2026 Operations Update** **3:40 PM**
    a. **Industry Department Update**
    b. **Industry Procurement**

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Motion 20251112 - 04: **Approval to adopt the policy to not permit AI/digital notetaking/recording in official BCMF board meetings.**
Moved: Cindy Wilgosh
Seconded: Robin McLay
All in favor
Motion Carried

> ***Action Item #2****: BC Metis Federation Operational Team provide policy for the board to review and file*

7. Louis Riel Day Commemoration – November 16th **3:45 PM**

The board was advised and supported the Louis Riel Day commemoration being held in the Vancouver office on Sunday, November 16th.

The board was also encouraged to use any past materials or the recording of President Henry sharing his family story for their Louis Riel Day commemoration events as partner community leaders.

> ***Action Item #3:*** *Team and board to consider Christmas party events throughout the BC Metis Federation Communities*

There was a request from Terrace for the board to join/attend the Skeena River Metis Community Christmas event dated December 14th. The board also discussed and requested to explore a Christmas dinner at the office this year. Both ideas will be considered in the coming weeks, and the board will be advised and updated.

The next board meeting will be considered in light of the two events.

8. Adjournment

Motion 20251112 - 05: **To adjourn the meeting** **3:55 PM**
Moved: Cindy Wilgosh
All in favor
Motion Carried

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