MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, January 13, 2014

Start 10:15 am  Finish 5:15 pm

Chief Councillor  Bryan LaForme
Councillor  Erma Ferrell
Councillor  Arland LaForme
Councillor  R. Stacey LaForme
Councillor  Larry Sault
Councillor  Clynten King
Councillor  Cecil Sault
Councillor/Chair  Sharon Bonham
Executive Director  Cynthia Jamieson (Excused)
Executive Assistant  Deb Aaron
Recorder  Charlotte Smith
Education Director  Amanda Sault
Education Authority Chair  Margaret Sault
SHS Director  Helen Tobias
ECC Supervisor  Patti Barber
Staff  Carolyn King and Fawn Sault
Guests  Jim Robb, Kevin O’Connor, Gloria Reszler, Don Richardson, Fred McGarry

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Councillor Chair Sharon Bonham opened the meeting at 10:15 am. Recorder has a doctor’s appointment and will be here later. Executive Director is excused.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1
MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME  SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 12a) – Hagersville Food Bank;
- Agenda Item No. 12b) – Margaret Tims from FNIB;
- Agenda Item No. 12c) – Michael Nolan from MCYS;
- Agenda Item No. 24a) – Draft Letter from Premier – Handout from CK;
- Agenda Item No. 28b) – Armbruster;
- Agenda Item No. 28c) – Contracts (2) To Be Signed;
- Agenda Item No. 28d) – Jim Varga – Quote For Back-Up Expansion & Repair;
- Agenda Item No. 28e) – CAS Representative.

Carried
Notes & Discussion Regarding Minutes of Monday, December 9, 2013

Page 3 – Motion No. 4 – it was noted that every program with Social & Health Services has operation & maintenance dollars. Councillor was concerned because of the cutbacks from the government, and operation and maintenance dollars are always required for every program.

With regard to the Notice of Budget Adjustment, SHS Director advised that Health Canada tells them where the money goes and she informs the Finance Department where to put this line item.

The intent for adding Agenda Item No. 4 – Matters Arising from the Minutes was that letters (to outside organizations and Band Members) would be attached to the Minutes.

Page 7 – Agenda Item No. 29 – it is noted there appears to be a gap in services with regard to Corrections Services. SHS Director stated that her department has no dollars for these services. There are counselling services only; no half-way house etc. SHS Director is not certain this could be labelled special circumstances under any of her programs. She advised that as she gets more information she will bring it to Council.

Councillor suggested that Agenda Items No. 3 and 4 should be reversed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE DECEMBER 9, 2013 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL MINUTES

MOTION NO. 2
MOVED BY CLYNTEN KING SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Minutes of Education & Social Services Council dated December 9, 2013.

Carried

Opposed: Councillor Erma Ferrell – if someone has concerns we should not be waiving seconded reading.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Page 8 – Agenda Item No. 12 – Councillor questioned why Casino Rama dollars were being used. It was noted that Casino Rama dollars are being used to supplement Special Needs costs vs taking it from the budget. There is not enough funding in the budget to cover the Special Needs case. Councillor stated that there is no reference in the Motion that refers to the Human Rights case.

Executive Director will give Councillors Sharon Bonham and Larry Sault all pertinent information regarding the Human Rights case including dollars.
Page 8 – Agenda Item No. 13 – it was noted that the First Nations Education Act has been on the tables of Political Territorial Organizations for a while and it has been majorly rejected. Chief stated that none of the PTO’s are taking a lead role in the Education Act. This is a concern because at the Chief’s meeting it was understood that this would be a coordinated role. There is a lot of activity, but no coordinated action. Councillor who attended AFN meeting stated that there was overwhelming support to oppose the Education Act. He has been in contact with the Union of Ontario Indians to see if they would like to come and present to Chief and Council.

Motion No. 13 – letter to Minister Valcourt should be attached to the Minutes.

Page 16 – Motion No. 22 – Councillor informed that Mo from Mettko Construction contacted him (Councillor) and questioned what was happening with regard to the Joint Venture. He has never been contacted regarding the Council decision. Executive Director sent a letter to Mettko Construction. Chief spoke with Mo and informed him that New Credit is not interested in any Joint Venture at this time, but perhaps something may come up in the future.

Page 12 – Councillor informed that TD was not inclined to support projects for New Credit.

Page 12 – Direction No. 3 – Councillor stated that the installations of change tables in the bathrooms at the Community Centre should not be at this table. This is the responsibility of the SED Department. Another Councillor advised that this should have been a part of the initial design. SED Department was to address all outstanding items before transferring it to PW Department. These have not yet been addressed.

Page 18 – Agenda Item No. 25 – this item will be brought back to Executive Finance for further discussion.

**DIRECTION NO. 1**
That the MNCFN Education and Social Services gives direction to Councillor Larry Sault to bring back information regarding Agenda Item No. 25 – Annual Income & Revenue Payments on Page 18 of Social & Health Services Council Minutes dated Monday, December 9, 2013. This will be brought back to the next Executive Finance Council meeting on Monday, February 24, 2014.
SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES

SHS Director in at 9:00 am.

SHS Director informed that she received many positive comments regarding the Community Christmas Party (Friday, December 6, 2013) being held at the Community Centre as opposed to the LSK Gym.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – 2013/2014 ONE-TIME FUNDING PROPOSAL

MOTION NO. 3
MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL               SECONDED BY CECIL SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the proposal be submitted for $10,752.82 (Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Two Dollars & Eighty Two Cents) one-time funding from the Ministry of Children and Youth Services (MCYS). If approved these dollars are to be spent by March 31, 2014. These dollars are to be spent on training (in the area of mental health, addiction, clinical) for the Aboriginal Mental Health and Addiction Worker, (part-time Children’s Mental Health), Native Child Welfare Workers and Director and this is outlined in the proposal.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – ABORIGINAL HEALING & WELLNESS (AHWS) ONE-TIME FUNDING

MOTION NO. 4
MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME            SECONDED BY BRYAN LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the one-time funding grant from the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy in the amount of $5,047.00 for the purchase of three (3) towers computers for the AHWS Workers plus one lap top computer with a security lock for the Healthy Babies/Healthy Children’s Program.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived
AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – AIAI MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS 2013/2014 FEDERAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM

SHS Director informed that the workplan was completed on time and was approved months ago. AIAI did not get the funds released until December. The workplan dollars have to be spent by the end of March.

MOTION NO. 5
MOVED BY BRYAN LAFORME SECONDED BY CECIL SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement from AIAI for the 2013/2014 Federal Disabilities Program in the amount of $3,307.00 (Three Thousand Three Hundred Seven Dollars).

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – CHIEFS OF ONTARIO (COO) 2014 HEALTH FORUM

MOTION NO. 6
MOVED BY CECIL SAULT SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Director of Social and Health Services attend as a delegate and Councillor Erma Ferrell to attend as an MNCFN Council Representative the Chiefs of Ontario’s 2014 Health Forum, “Our Health Our Future” Embracing Indigenous Life: Our World View on February 25, 26 and 27, 2014 at the Intercontinental Hotel, Toronto.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

NOTE: Councillor Erma Ferrell will take care of her own registration.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – ABORIGINAL DIABETES INITIATIVE (ADI) SURVEY

MOTION NO. 7
MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL SECONDED BY CLYNTEN KING
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the completion of the Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative Survey from Health Canada, FNIHB that may assist in the continuation of this program past 2015.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Recorder in at 11:00 am.
AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – WEST HALDIMAND GENERAL HOSPITAL STRATEGIC PLANNING INVITATION

Chief questioned if New Credit could be part of the strategic plan because First Nations are often forgotten, and First Nations account for a lot of numbers. And further, he wants to make sure that New Credit gets the same level of treatment as everyone else. He would like to attend this meeting.

Councillor informed that there was a follow-up meeting held at New Credit in November and only three people attended. She asked about tracking New Credit data and they (West Haldimand General Hospital) said they could do that.

Carolyn King and guests in at 11:20 am.

SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Councillor Larry Sault has an issue with external bodies sitting in on Council meetings and listening to our discussions. He suggested that they be excused.

Councillor informed that there is a Council Motion that the meetings are now opened to the public and they (guests and Band Members) are allowed to sit in. Minutes are also now made available to the public.

Councillor Larry Sault is opposed to external bodies sitting in these meetings, not Band Members.

It was noted by another Councillor that Carolyn King and guests did arrive on time for their agenda item to be heard.

It was agreed that Carolyn King’s guests would stay in the meeting.

Emergency services will also be addressed at the upcoming meeting with the hospital. There was an article in the local newspaper that was considered a racist comment by one of the Haldimand County Councillors. Chief informed that the Mayor of Haldimand called and apologized.

MOTION NO. 8
MOVED BY CECIL SAULT  SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Director of Social and Health Services and Chief Bryan LaForme to attend and participate in the West Haldimand General Hospital Strategic Planning Invitation for January 17/18 2014.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived
AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – ABORIGINAL PERSON’S COURT (APC)

SHS Director cautioned Council that there are no dollars in her programs to assist with this program should the need arise. The Judge is expecting everyone to assist with resources.

It was noted that Gladue Principle started in Toronto. SHS Director could contact them for finding any funding. SHS Director stated that it was implied at the meeting that a worker would be required in Court when an individual comes up for sentencing and this would be a cost to New Credit.

Chief stated this would be a political issue to take up with AIAI, Chiefs of Ontario and AFN for funding.

MOTION NO. 9
MOVED BY CLYNTEN KING SECONDED BY BRYAN LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the SHS Director to monitor any requests made by the Court (RE: Gladue Principle resulted in a Supreme Court of Canada decision regarding the sentencing of Aboriginal offenders) in order to determine whether or not the existing services are able to address any of the needs of the offender with the caution that MNCFN does not receive any funding for correctional services.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12a) – HAGERSVILLE FOOD BANK

This item will be tabled until Monday, February 10, 2014.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12b) – MARGARET TIMS FROM FNIB

Margaret Tims, Program Supervisor from Health Canada, FNIHB will come and do a presentation to Chief and Council to discuss SET Contribution we are now in and compare it to the Flexible Contribution Agreement they are recommending we move forward. This presentation will be on the next Education & Social Services Council meeting on Monday, February 10, 2014.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12c) – MICHAEL NOWLAN FROM MCYS

Michael Nowlan will come and do a presentation regarding sharing from the Ministry perspective Brant CAS and the movement of Six Nations towards them (Six nations) becoming a mandated CAS. Mr. Nowlan will be present at the March 10, 2014 Education & Social Services Council meeting.

MOTION NO. 10
MOVED BY CECIL SAULT SECONDED BY BRYAN LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Report of the SHS Director.

Carried
SHS Director out at 12:15 pm.

LUNCH BREAK 12:15 TO 1:00 PM

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 26.

Guests Jim Robb, Kevin O’Connor, Gloria Reszler, Don Richardson, Fred McGarry, Fawn Sault and Carolyn King in at 1:12 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26 – PRESENTATION BY “FRIENDS OF THE ROUGE”

Carolyn King introduced the guests. Jim Robb who is the General Manager of “Friends of the Rouge Watershed” presented a book to Chief and Council “The Once & Future Great Lakes Country” by John Riley. He also presented a pamphlet “Friends of the Rouge” which is a registered charity.

This organization has made a request to the government that First Nations should be involved. A petition with 5,500 signatures is being presented to the government.

70% of the park is now leased for $40.00 to $50.00 per acre. The main goal is to see the park returned to traditional uses.

Friends of the Rouge is asking New Credit for support. A Draft Motion was distributed for Chief and Council’s review. Councillor advised that he would like a legal review on the Motion before any decision is made from Council. Jim Robb stated that he would like to get First Nations’ input very soon.

It was noted that the relationship with Parks Canada has not been good because Friends of the Rouge is pushing them (Parks Canada) to do more. The Conservative government thinks it has done enough.

Guests were thanked for their presentation and left at 1:50 pm.

LMR Director will arrange a meeting with Parks Canada and invite a member of “Friends of the Rouge”.

DIRECTION NO. 2
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to the LMR Director to set up a meeting with Parks Canada and invite a member of “Friends of the Rouge”.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 24.
AGENDA ITEM NO 24 – SHARED VALUE SOLUTIONS – DRAFT SUBMISSION FOR APPROVAL

Councillor suggested that after the presentation is completed Chief and Council would discuss this item amongst themselves.

Don Richardson of Shared Value Solutions presented a draft letter addressed to Premier Kathleen Wynn to be signed by the Chief regarding the “Pan Am App”.

Councillor questioned how Shared Value Solutions came up with the figure of $200,000.00 which they are requesting from funding sources. Don informed that a lot more money is going to be needed, and New Credit will have to ask for more dollars. Councillor stated that there should be a breakdown of all the costs. Fred McGarry advised that this letter is consistent with what they wanted in September 2013. He also advised that a Business Case will not be done until approved by Chief and Council.

Carolyn King questioned when they could meet again because time is of the essence with the Pan Am Group.

Guests were thanked and left at 2:00 pm.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 28a)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28a) – PRESENTATION BY ALTERNATIVE ROOTS (YOUTH GROUP – JORDON JAMIESON, TOMMY HILL AND CATHY JAMIESON)

Jordon spoke for the group. Vision and mission statements were presented. The group meets every month. They are connecting their interests and strengths, such as hunting, auto, trades etc. There are approximately a dozen people in the group now. So far they have been focuses on the Toronto Art Project – the Peace Garden. There is an upcoming event which will showcase their talents.

Councillor advised that as a courtesy the Youth Group could talk to Chief and Council so both groups would know what the other is doing. Chief stated that Council does not want to interfere, and he applauded the group.

Group was thanked for their presentation and left at 2:15 pm.

Council moved to an In-Camera session.
DAY CARE

ECC Supervisor in at 4:00 pm.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 19 – EKWAAMJIGENANG CHILDREN’S CENTRE THIRD QUARTER REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2013**

**MOTION NO. 14**

MOVED BY CECIL SAULT
SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Third Quarter Report of the Ekwaamjigenang Children’s Centre for December 2013.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 20 – PAYMENT FOR LOUISE KOOL & GALT INVOICE FOR COMMUNITY PLAYTHINGS EQUIPMENT**

**MOTION NO. 15**

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL
SECONDED BY CLYNTEN KING
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the payment of the invoice in the amount of $10,697.00 (Ten Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Seven Dollars) for the purchase of equipment to Louise, Kool and Galt as the amount exceeds the signing authority of the Executive Director. The monies will be expensed from the Ministry of Education One Time Transformation funding for Furniture and Equipment.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 21 – PARENT FEE INCREASE**

The dollars that come from ALFDC are for operating costs and not for wages. In the event that ALFDC may be sunsetting in 2015 staff will need to meet and discuss alternative plans. If ALFDC ceases the Day Care will close or we will have to raise the parent fees to cover operations. Councillor reiterated that restructuring is necessary on a corporate level.

Councillor stated she is not in favor of raising the parent fees as there must be other sources of funding that can be used.

**MOTION NO. 16**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT
SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the increase of parent fees to $10.00 per day for full time care and $6.00 per day for part time care effective April 1, 2014.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Opposed: Councillor Erma Ferrell – should look for alternatives instead of charging the parents.
AGENDA ITEM NO. 22a) – APPROVAL FOR TOYOTA EVERGREEN SCHOOL/FOOD GARDEN PROJECT GRANT

MOTION NO. 17
MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME  SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Ekwaamijigenang Children's Centre Supervisor to apply for the 2014 Toyota Evergreen School Food Garden Project Grant for up to $2,000.00 (Two Thousand Dollars).

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

NOTE FROM ECC SUPERVISOR:
Page 11, Motion No. 18 of Education & Social Services Council Minutes of Monday, December 9, 2013: There is a difference in parent fees as some parents still have outstanding fees that have not been paid.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22b) – PROPOSAL TO AMEND REGULATION 262 UNDER THE DAY NURSERIES ACT – CHILD CARE MODERNIZATION DOCUMENT

This is an FYI for Council. Government introduced the Bill on December 3, 2013. It will repeal and replace the Day Nurseries Act. Should this require a legal review?

MOTION NO. 18
MOVED BY ARLAND LAFORME  SECONDED BY CECIL SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Report of the ECC Supervisor.

Carried

ECC Supervisor out at 4:30 pm.

Councillor Clynten King out at 4:30 pm.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 13.
EDUCATION

Education Director in at 4:00 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – FYI – UPDATE ON FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION ACT

Education Director will provide copies of the Act to Chief and Council.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – CONFERENCE RATE FOR COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR UPCOMING HISTORICAL/EDUCATION GATHERING

Education Director informed that the Proposal was sent while she was off work, and cannot understand why the rental fees were not included.

MOTION NO. 19

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL	SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves a conference rate for the MNCFN Historical Gathering/Education Conference of $200.00 per day for February 19-21, 2014 of the MNCFN Community Centre facility (hall, kitchen, youth/elder room). Dollars will come from the Education Budget.

Carried
2\textsuperscript{nd} Reading Waived

Councillor R. Stacey LaForme out at 4:38 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – GRAND ERIE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD – SECONDARY SCHOOL INVOICE

MOTION NO. 20

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL	SECONDED BY CECIL SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approve the Grand Erie District School Board payment of invoice 6114 in the amount of $383,074.84 (Three Hundred Eighty Three Thousand Seventy Four Dollars and Eighty Four Cents) from department 500800 account 67100.

Carried
2\textsuperscript{nd} Reading Waived
AGENDA ITEM NO. 16 – GRAND ERIE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD – HIGH COST SPECIAL EDUCATION INVOICE

Chief was concerned that New Credit pays the salaries of two Education Assistants even though their work is not specific to our students. This should be prorated based on the amount of time spent with our students.

Councillor informed that in the last meeting with GEDSB (Grand Erie District School Board) it was noted that secondary dollars cannot be mixed in with elementary dollars.

Councillor advised that New Credit should be meeting with the Minister of Education if New Credit is not happy with GEDSB.

MOTION NO. 21
MOVED BY BRYAN LAFORME SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Grand Erie District School Board payment of invoice 6115 in the amount of $81,774.00 (Eighty One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Four Dollars) from Casino Rama dollars.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17 – JUMP ROPE FOR HEART EVENT

MOTION NO. 22
MOVED BY ARLAND LAFORME SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services support the donation and match the total funds raised during the Jump Rope for Heart event. Dollars will come from Casino Rama. Education Director will bring back to the table the exact figures for auditing purposes.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Education Director out at 4:55 pm.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 25.
AGENDA ITEM NO. 25 – FAMILY DAY 2014

MOTION NO. 23
MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL  SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to grant Family Day (3rd Monday in February) for 2014 – in conjunction with Staff Appreciation Day (August). Family Day to be taken to Council each year in January for approval.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Agenda Item No. 26 – already been dealt with.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 27 – PAN AM GAMES – FURTHER DISCUSSION

This item was tabled to Thursday, January 16, 2014.

Council moved to 28d) as 28 a), b), and c) have already been dealt with.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28d) – CHILDREN’S AID SOCIETY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

It is noted that this item will be added to the Committee Listing 2013 – 2015 of Chief and Council. Councillor Erma Ferrell will continue to stay involved with CAS.

MOTION NO. 24
MOVED BY BRYAN LAFORME  SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees that Councillor Erma Ferrell will continue to sit on the CAS Board as the New Credit Representative.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28e) – JIM VARGA QUOTE FOR BACK-UP EXPANSION AND REPAIR

MOTION NO. 25
MOVED BY ARLAND LAFORME  SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the quote from BrantNet Computer Systems for back-up NAS expansion and repair in the total amount of $1,519.93 (One Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Ninety Three Cents), dollars to come from the Casino Rama Fund.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

NOTE:
There is a workshop on Housing as a Business (HaaB) on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 and Councillors Erma Ferrell and Larry Sault will be attending
AGENDA ITEM NO. 29 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NO. 26
MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL                  SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME
That the MNCFN Education & Social Services adjourns this meeting at 5:15 pm.

Carried