

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, January 11, 2016**

Start 9:04 am

Finish 4:45 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Arland LaForme

Councillor

Casey Jonathan

Councillor

Evan Sault

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Margaret Sault

Councillor/Chair

Cathie Jamieson

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

DOCA

Mark LaForme

Communications Director

Deanna Dunham

Education Director

Amanda Sault

SHS Director

Rachelle Ingra

Guests from Hagersville Food Bank

Janice Schweder & Valerie Phillips

Band Members

Max King & Carolyn King

Chair/Councillor Cathie Jamieson opened the meeting at 9:04 am with a prayer and smudge. Guests Max King, Janice Schweder and Valerie Phillips in at 9:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 16a) – Community Meeting on Saturday, January 23, 2016;
- Agenda Item No. 16b) – Rotary World Peace Conference Discussion (RSL);
- Agenda Item No. 16c) – Chief & Council Plaques (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 20a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 20b) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 20c) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE NOVEMBER 9, 2015 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Education & Social Services (Public) Council Minutes of November 9, 2015.

Carried

Councillor questioned why the Directors no longer have to be in the meetings. Another Councillor answered that the previous Council decided that the Executive Director could take care of all the Agenda Items in Council thereby giving more time to the Directors to do their job. And further, the Executive Director would take care of as many administrative items as possible. Chief disagreed and stated that this causes a breakdown in communication.

Councillor pointed out that there needs to be communication and trust with staff.

It was further pointed out that communication needs to begin at this Council Table.

Councillor reiterated that a projector and laptop is needed in the Council meetings for better communication. He also pointed out that when an Agenda Item has no back-up or says “back-up to follow” it is difficult to make a decision when Chief and Council have not had a chance to read the back-up. This practice should be eliminated completely.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees that the Directors will be required to be present at their specific meetings i.e. Infrastructure & Development, Education & Social Services etc, as well as answer any questions that Council may have.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Opposed: Councillor Arland LaForme – The current reporting process was put in place in order to reduce Directors’ time away from their work; Councillor Erma Ferrell – The current reporting process was put in place in order for the Executive Director to handle as many administrative issues as possible as well as meeting with OMT.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – GUESTS JANICE SCHWEDER & VALERIE PHILLIPS TO DO A PRESENTATION ON THE HAGERSVILLE FOOD BANK – MAX KING REQUESTED THIS PRESENTATION

Max King introduced guests Janice Schweder and Valerie Phillips.

Ms. Schweder informed that she and her colleague are here on behalf of the Hagersville Food Bank. She presented some history of the Food Bank. It opened on December 6, 2012. The biggest help came from a family who donated the building beside Tim's Tire. There are 72 volunteers and no one gets paid. The volunteers are separated into teams and volunteer once a week. LSK and two other elementary schools also help out. LSK brought donations, and one learning opportunity students had was checking the expiry dates.

There are 60 families who utilize the Food Bank. Of those 60 families 20 are from New Credit and 12 are from Six Nations. The Food Bank also assists people in transition.

40 Christmas hampers were prepared and handed out. The Christmas hampers totaled \$2,000.00 in costs. Delivery of some of the hampers, rental of a large container to store the food over the holidays, and a pick-up truck were all donated.

Ms. Phillips informed that the Food Bank pays rent of \$400.00 plus GST which totals \$452.00 per month. The Food Bank offers to pay and help out with costs of the building. No lease has been signed and the rent is on a month to month basis. Ms. Phillips also informed that the Food Bank applied and received \$10,000.00 which is set aside in the event that they have to move. The operating account is purely donations. Max reiterated that the Food Bank pays monthly rent, insurance and makes various food purchases.

The procedure for utilizing the Food Bank is people would fill out an application and provide proof of income and identification.

Councillor questioned what New Credit could do to get involved even further. Ms. Schweder answered that they always need volunteers, food drives, financial support, specialized food drives i.e. baby foods and products, pet food drives etc. Councillor pointed out that Campbell Soup has donated to various places in the world and Ms. Schweder said she would check on that.

SHS Director in at 9:30 am.

Guests were thanked for their presentation and left at 9:40 am.

Direction was given to the SHS Director and Communications Director to begin to establish a rapport with the Hagersville Food Bank and increase education/community involvement.

Councillor suggested holding off on any decision of donating dollars until Council has a clear picture of where our dollars are being spent and how much is in the operating budget. Should Council decide to donate to the Hagersville Food Bank, then they (Council) will have to consider all the Food Banks in the area. It was suggested by a Councillor If Council does decide to support the Hagersville Food Bank, then a notice should be sent to the Community.

It is noted that the Events Funding Policy is not suitable for donating to a Food Bank. Councillor questioned if there is overlap with Food Banks at Christmas time. Councillor stated there is dialogue with other Food Banks and once New Credit is aware that some Band Members could be using other Food Banks, a choice is given to the client which Food Bank he/she would like to use.

Chief suggested that if the Hagersville Food Bank has a need then New Credit can provide assistance in the future.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to the SHS Director and Communications Director to begin establishing a rapport with the Hagersville Food Bank and further, increase community education/involvement with the Hagersville Food Bank.

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – HEALTH CANADA FIRST NATIONS & INUIT HEALTH BRANCH CONTRACT AGREEMENT (2 COPIES TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to the signing of Health Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Agreement-1515-ON-000121 Amendment 0003. Amendment inclusive of one time 2015-2016 capital investment funding (\$1,946), one time 2015-2016 funding increase under the Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative (\$2,200) and correction for the Healthy Child Development funding by reducing the budget by \$30 due to an error in the previous amendment.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

NOTE: Two copies of the above Agreement were signed by Chief and Council.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – COMMUNITY ANNUAL PLANNING SUBMISSION (CAPS) REFRESH

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Community Annual Planning Submission (CAPS) refresh for 2016-2017, as per the Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement (MSAA).

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

See BCR No. 2015-2016 – 151

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – ABORIGINAL DIABETES INITIATIVE (ADI) DOLLARS

Councillor questioned the SHS Director if she looks for other funding sources i.e. there is a list of philanthropists who are willing to give money to worthy causes and other programs as well. SHS Director stated that she does not look for other funding sources.

The gym will be re-investigated to see what can be done for it to start generating some dollars.

Councillors Cathie Jamieson and Evan Sault will meet with the SHS Director and come up with some recommendations regarding the gym.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative (ADI) dollars continue to be used as per the approved Health Canada First Nations and Inuit Health Branch workplan for the remainder of the current funding cycle (ending March 31st, 2018). That Enterprise funds are used to continue to fund the recreation complex until the end of the funding cycle.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to Chair and Co-Chair of Education & Social Services (Cathie Jamieson and Evan Sault) to meet with the SHS Director to further discuss ideas regarding the gym and come up with some recommendations. It is noted that should this become an economic development endeavor then the DSED would be involved. This item will be brought back to Executive Finance on Monday, January 25, 2016.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

Band Member Carolyn King in at 9:45 am.

Mark LaForme in at 10:30 am.

SHS Director out at 10:40 am.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 13.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – REQUEST TO REVISIT CONSULTATION & ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEES (EF)

The Consultation & Review Committee will now be changed to the “DOCA Negotiating Team” as the Review Committee would be redundant, and the representatives from Council – Chief and Councillors Erma Ferrell and Cathie Jamieson to remain the same.

Councillor stated he would like to see a revised structure i.e. reporting. Chief answered that he would provide it next month.

Councillor questioned Mark LaForme (DOCA) regarding the “Travelling Stenographer”. Mark answered that the Communications Director is taking care of this and will bring something to Council.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the following Internal Committee:

Executive Finance Council	Chair: Veronica King-Jamieson Co-Chair: Erma Ferrell
Infrastructure & Development Council	Chair: Arland LaForme Co-Chair: Casey Jonathan
Education & Social Services Council	Chair: Cathie Jamieson Co-Chair: Evan Sault
Regular Council	Chair: Chief Stacey LaForme Co-Chair: Margaret Sault
DOCA Negotiating Team	Chair: Chief 1. Erma Ferrell 2. Cathie Jamieson
Treaty & Rights Based Committee	Chief Stacey LaForme Margaret Sault Casey Jonathan

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

SEPARATE ISSUE

Mark (DOCA) saw an article on the Web regarding someone negotiating dollars. He stated that the Minutes of March 2015 was in the public domain on the internet. Executive Director informed that the Communications Director is already aware of this and is working on it.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 10:55 am.

Council moved out of the In-Camera session at 11:50 am.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 10.

EDUCATION

Education Director in at 10:55 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – FIRST NATION STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAM (FNSSP)

The Agreement has been signed by Chief and Council.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to be a signatory to the Terms of Reference and Partnership Agreement which outlines the responsibilities and requirements of the First Nation Student Success Program for the fiscal year 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – VISION INSTITUTE OF CANADA SURVEY

Councillor questioned if the survey could be verified; however, another Councillor advised that the Health Department cannot release any information. It was questioned as to whether the Community Health Nurse goes into the school to do eye tests. Education Director answered that it could be considered after the survey is complete.

MOTION NO. 12

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the LSK Vision Institute of Canada survey be provided as it does not appear that participation in the survey will release Health Canada from any services or benefits that are currently provided.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

Education Director out at 12:03 pm.

LUNCH BREAK 12:05 TO 1:05 PM

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS (CONT'D)

SEPARATE ITEM – KPMG REPORT

It is noted that there will be a meeting with Chief and Council on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 9:00 am in Council Chambers. It is also noted that the Recorder does not have to be present for this meeting.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 14.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – CHIEFS OF ONTARIO (COO) 10TH ANNUAL HEALTH FORUM – WHO WILL BE ATTENDING?

Councillors Evan Sault, Erma Ferrell, Casey Jonathan, Cathie Jamieson and Chief R. Stacey Laforme will be attending the above conference. The Health Forum is being held on Tuesday, February 23 – Thursday, February 25, 2016 beginning at 8:00 am – 4:00 pm each day. The location is the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto.

Councillor Cathie Jamieson will be attending the Symposium which starts on Monday, February 22, 2016. Chief will contact the Chiefs of Ontario to see whether he will be doing the opening address.

It is also confirmed that the Drum Group from New Credit will be in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – APPROVAL TO PUT 4TH QUARTERLY TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST NEWSLETTER FROM PEACE HILLS TRUST ON THE MNCFN WEBSITE

Executive Director informed that Peace Hills Trust and Mackie Research Capital Corporation will be present to do their report sometime in February 2016. Executive Director will follow up with exact dates. She will also give copies of the Trust Agreement to everyone. She will also ask Georgina Villeneuve to clarify the second paragraph what “slightly negative” means and how does this compare to the same period in the previous year.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to the Executive Director to contact Georgina Villeneuve of Peace Hills Trust and request that Georgina add more information to the Toronto Purchase Trust Newsletter. It is requested that the words “slightly negative” on the second page, second paragraph will need further clarification; how do these figures compare to the same period in previous years.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16a) – COMMUNITY MEETING ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2016 (MS)

Councillor brought this item to the Council Table, but there was no back-up material. Councillor Erma Ferrell informed that she will not be in attendance as she has a prior commitment.

Councillor suggested that this meeting should be more than a “Meet & Greet”, and Chief and Council need to put a plan in place as to what they will be discussing with Band Members. Chief advised that this initial meeting on Saturday, January 23rd is only for the Band Members to meet and greet new Council, but other items could be added. Chief, Councillor Margaret Sault and Communications Director will meet and outline some issues for the upcoming meeting, but also for other Community meetings. These Community meetings are being planned for once per month.

There will be further discussion on this item once the Communications Director arrives.

Communications Director in at 2:05 pm.

Communications Director advised that she is preparing a Briefing Note for the next Regular Council Meeting with some ideas of what could be discussed at the Community Meetings. Councillor questioned how the whole Community can be reached as some Band Members do not get the weekly flyers. Communications Director answered that she is revising the Newsletter and would like to add more information bi-weekly and another way is to put a notice in the wellness cheques. Councillor suggested getting permission to use the addresses in the Newsletter, use emails, texts, Face Book, Twitter, Friendship Centres in urban areas etc. It was pointed out that communication is two ways in that Band Members also need to learn to communicate by reading flyers, Newsletters etc. to keep updated with what is happening in the Community.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to the Chief to meet with Councillor Margaret Sault (Chief’s Co-Chair) and the Communications Director to outline some issues and plan structural Agendas for the upcoming Community Meeting and other Community Meetings.

It was pointed out that the Community needs to be reminded of the Community Wellness dollars.

Communications Director will prepare a Briefing Note for Regular Council on Monday, January 18, 2016. Communications Director stated that the January 23rd Meeting has already been promoted.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16b) – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE DISCUSSION (RSL)

Chief stated that he sees no real reason for him to attend the Rotary World Peace Conference as it does not have any substantial impact on New Credit.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16c) – CHIEF & COUNCIL PLAQUES

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council gives direction to Councillor Erma Ferrell to order a replacement plaque at a cost of \$35.00 (Thirty Five Dollars) in the name of Elijah Watson.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 2:26 pm.

