

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, January 16, 2017**

Start 9:05 am

Finish 12:15 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Casey Jonathan

Councillor

Evan Sault

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Margaret Sault

Councillor/Chair

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Stephanie Laforme

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

SHS Director

Rachelle Ingrao

HR Manager

Kerri King

ECC Supervisor

Patti Barber

Education Director

Amanda Sault

PW Director

Arland LaForme

DSED

Kevin Wassegijig

Guests

Chris Laforme, Amy Sellar, Leanne Hall

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Cathie Jamieson opened the meeting at 9:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

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

- Agenda Item No. 15a) – Playground Safety Concerns at Townline Estates (AL);
- Agenda Item No. 15b) - Community Fund for Canada's 150th – Grant Agreement & NIB Trust Fund;
- Agenda Item No. 15c) – Toronto 2017 NAIG Games;
- Agenda Item No. 19a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 19b) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE DECEMBER 12, 2016 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Public minutes of Education & Social Services Council dated Monday, December 12, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 – See Direction No. 8 of In-Camera Minutes – Letter has been signed by the Chief and sent to Band Member on December 21, 2016.

Council acknowledged above letter.

SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES

SHS Director in at 9:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – FIRST NATIONS & INUIT HEALTH FUNDING

SHS Director noted that MNCFN is being encouraged to move from a 'set' funding agreement, to either a 'flex' or 'block' agreement (as it pertains to Health Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Funding) in order to increase the autonomy the organization has over the overall allocation of funds.

MNCFN is currently in a three year 'set' funding agreement with Health Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB), set to end March 31, 2018.

Representatives from FNIHB presented the benefits of moving out of a 'set' agreement, into a 'flex' or 'block' agreement, at the November Education and Social Services council meeting.

Through discussion at the Council Table, it appeared that the 'block' funding agreement was most well lineated with Chief and Council's strategic plan.

If a block agreement was decided on, the change would take effect April 1, 2018, providing the organization time to develop their 'Health Plan'.

If a flex agreement was decided on, the change could take effect as soon as April 1, 2017. FNIHB reps advised against remaining in a set funding agreement, as the organization can express more autonomy over expenditures using one of the alternate funding models. Health Canada reps expressed that they had no concerns with the organization being able to handle either a flex or a block agreement.

Executive Director informed that the Feds have been encouraging block funding.

Chief stated that there would be more dollars for block funding, however, clarity is needed on the 2% and how many dollars New Credit would get to implement the block funding.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to move from a 'set' funding agreement, to a 'block' funding agreement, (as it relates to Health Canada First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Dollars) effective April 1, 2018. That the Director of SHS, in conjunction with the Chairs of Education and Social Services, be responsible for taking the steps to initiate the transition from set to block funding.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

SHS Director out at 9:15 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 13 while waiting for the ECC Supervisor.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – EMERY PARK PROJECT – LETTER OF SUPPORT (COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the signing of a letter to approve the Emery Project in-principal and further gives direction to the Media and Communications Department to draft a letter of support to be signed by the Chief.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13a) – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE – NAIG REPRESENTATIVES

The Major Events Committee recommends the appointment of MNCFN representatives on four North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) committees.

Councillor questioned the Executive Director if the Communications Director could move money around in her budget. Executive Director answered yes.

Chief noted that there are no dollars available from NAIG. CN Rail will provide dollars. Councillor advised that a meeting is being set up with Doug Devlin (CN Rail) to talk about some funding.

The budget is only an estimate right now.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the following MNCFN representatives on the North American Indigenous Games committees as indicated below:

a) **Volunteer Committee** a. Councillor Stephanie Laforme (Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson will attend first meeting along with Councillor Stephanie Laforme)
b. Lauren King (alternate)

b) **Cultural Advisory Committee** a. Councillor Cathie Jamieson (Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson will attend first meeting along with Councillor Cathie Jamieson)

b. Culture and Events Coordinator (alternate)

c) **Indigenous Community Engagement Committee** a. Councillor Casey Jonathan
b. Katelyn LaForme (alternate)

d) **Legacy Committee**

a) Councillor Veronica King
b) Lauren King (alternate)

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – FIRST NATION CONSERVATION PROGRAM (DSED)

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council endorses the BCR to implement the First Nation Conservation Program. Also included in the BCR will be the following wording:

Project Lead financial support is limited to \$5,000 and it is recommended that FNSEL be Project Lead and communicate with MNCFN Director of Sustainable Economic Development and Director of Housing.

Project Lead in cooperation with MNCFN Employment recruit 1 or 2 MNCFN community members as canvassers.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

See BCR No. 183 – 2016-2017

EKWAAMJIGENANG CHILD CARE CENTRE

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 7.

ECC Supervisor in at 9:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – ECC FAMILY & STAFF MANUAL, ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES UPDATES AS PER CHILD CARE EARLY YEARS ACT LICENSING REGULATIONS

ECC Supervisor informed that the Ministry is always making changes. Executive Director stated that this is hard work for the ECC Supervisor and she (Executive Director) commends the ECC Supervisor.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Family Manual, Staff Manual and Administrative Changes as noted on the Summary of the Log of Changes.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 15b).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15b) – COMMUNITY FUND FOR CANADA’S 150TH – GRANT AGREEMENT & NIB TRUST FUND

Executive Director informed that these are flow through dollars. Chief and Council stopped acting as a flow through because all the reports were late.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the acceptance of \$15,000.00 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) from the Community Fund for Canada’s 150th as flow through funds on behalf of the 2017 NAIG Host Society.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15c) – NEW PROJECT APPLICATION – RECONCILIATION THROUGH SPORT: CAMPAIGN #88, A LEGACY OF THE TORONTO 2017 NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the \$245,000.00 (Two hundred Forty Five Thousand Dollars) from the NIB Trust – Reconciliation through Sport: Campaign #88, A Legacy of the Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games as a flow through on behalf of Marsha Trudeau who is the Chief Executive Officer for the Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games Host Society.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

EDUCATION

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 9.

Education Director in at 9:50 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Education Director noted that two letters have been received from current secondary student parents requesting transportation to alternative secondary schools.

Transportation is only provided to Hagersville Secondary School although MNCFN students pay tuition to attend the school of their choice.

This topic has been presented to Council each year since 2012.

A Transportation Survey was sent out to approximately 37 student households. Eight responses were received. The people who made the request for their students to attend a different school did not even respond to the Survey. As a result, it is the recommendation of the Education Department that no major changes will be made to provide additional transportation at this time.

Council agreed to uphold Motion No. 9 of Education & Social Services Council Meeting of June 15, 2015 pending further investigation. It was also agreed that this Motion would be updated to reflect today's date.

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to uphold Motion No. 9 listed below of the Education & Social Service Council Meeting dated June 15, 2015, pending further investigation:

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY SHARON BONHAM

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council maintains status quo (transportation costs to a different school will be the responsibility of parents/guardians) and continue providing transportation only to Hagersville Secondary School.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – LSK SCHOOL FACILITY RENTAL

Education Director informed that she compared rates for other places and MNCFN's rates are lower.

Regarding No 4. - Payment – As the Finance Department uses the Accpac System, the Accounts Receivable Officer requires invoices.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the LSK Facility Rental Rules and Regulations as presented.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – COMMUNITY DISCUSSION ON EDUCATION

Education Director stated that MNCFN may access funds to host a community discussion on education. A joint collaboration between AFN Chief's Committee on Education and INAC to develop new funding mechanisms for First Nations Education was formed October 2016 with the purpose of developing holistic, culturally-responsive, high quality education for First Nation students. This Committee is being funded by INAC.

Chiefs of Ontario (COO) received funding from INAC to host community discussion sessions. Since MNCFN is not affiliated with a Provincial Territorial Organization (PTO), COO applied for funds on behalf of MNCFN.

MNCFN is responsible to have a community discussion using the "Building First Nations Education Funding Framework Discussion Tool" as a guide for the discussions. This guide was developed by COO. MNCFN may access up to \$9,000.00 to hold the session(s), but will not be receiving the funds directly as MNCFN will have to send invoices to COO.

Councillor suggested increasing administration fees and budget and hold the conference for two days.

Executive Director noted that there is disagreement at the national level. Ontario was not in agreement with AFN. She also questioned if this document includes post secondary education.

MOTION NO. 12

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to participate in the Community Discussion on Education as requested by the Chiefs of Ontario. The Education Department staff will work on framing the questions and gathering feedback as relevant and applicable to our community. The Community Discussion on Education is tentatively scheduled for February 12, 2017 (with March 4 & 11, 2017 if necessary) at the Community Centre.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Education Director out at 10:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 15a).

PW Director in at 10:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15a) – PLAYGROUND SAFETY CONCERNS AT TOWNLINE ESTATES (AL)

PW Director noted that a Motion of Council is required in order to authorize Public Works to address the final safety concern at Townline Estates by installing “Rumble Strips” and the accompanying signage, and award the Purchase of Service Contract to dedicated supplier – Hardtop Paving Company of Simcoe, Ontario.

PW Director also noted that drivers will have to be notified as well as reminding MNCFN employees of the slowed speed limit. PW Director will send a notice to staff.

PW Director would like to reinstate the Community Watch Group.

MOTION NO. 13

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council authorizes Public Works Department to address the final safety concern at Townline Estates as follows: To install “Rumble Strips” and accompanying signage on New Credit Road #261 in the southbound lane (north of Townline Estates access road) and northbound lane (south of Townline Estates access road). The estimated costs for two (2) sets of “Rumble Strips” and two (2) new “Rumble Strips” signs will have an upset limit of Two Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,000.00). Finally, authorize Public Works Department to prepare a “Purchase of Service” contract for signature by the Executive Director, Cynthia Jamieson, awarded to a dedicated supplier, Hardtop Paving Company, 632 Ireland Road, Simcoe, Ontario N3Y 4K2, (519) 429-3900. This project will be funded from Casino Rama Funds.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

PW Director out at 10:50 am.

MOTION NO. 14

MOVED BY CASEY JONATHAN

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council moved In-Camera at 10:50 am.

Carried

MOTION NO. 23

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council moved Out of Camera at 12:15 pm.

Carried

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 20.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NO. 24

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council adjourns this meeting at 12:15 pm.

Carried