

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, March 11, 2019**

Start 9:00 am

Finish 12:00 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor/Chair

Evan Sault

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Stephanie LaForme

Councillor

Larry Sault

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

Education Director

Katelyn LaForme

FNWSC Community Liaison Lead

Cassandra Green

ECC Supervisor

Patti Barber

SHS Director

Rachelle Ingrao

HR Manager

Kerri King

HR Assistant

Stephanie D. LaForme

Finance Director

Lilia Moos

Guests

Jana Burns & Jenna Morris

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Evan Sault called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Councillor Cathie Jamieson opened in prayer.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON
That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Agenda.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES**

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME
That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Public Minutes of Education & Social Services Council Meeting dated Monday, February 11, 2019.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council moved In-Camera at 9:05 am.

Carried

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council Out of Camera at 9:25 am.

Carried

SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES

SHS Director in at 9:27 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – UPDATED PROTOCOL – HALDIMAND/NORFOLK CHILDREN’S AID SOCIETY (AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)

SHS Director noted in her Briefing Note that she requires Chief and Council authorization to accept the updated protocol between Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) and Haldimand-Norfolk Children’s Aid Society (CAS)

Per the Social and Health Services Annual Work Plan, protection service protocols between local Children’s Aid Societies and MCFN require periodic review and updates as required to ensure current legislation and the needs of the MCFN Community are being met.

New legislation was introduced in the spring of 2018, with the induction of the ‘Child, Youth and Family Services Act,’ containing several amendments to the preceding ‘Child and Family Services Act’.

In the fall of 2018, Chief and Council accepted a Revised Protocol between Brant Family and Children’s Services and MCFN, which incorporated the new legislation as well as changes to the protection relationship expectations.

The Supervisor of Family and Community Support has updated the Protection Protocol with Haldimand-Norfolk Children’s Aid Society. This has been reviewed and edited by the SHS Director and reviewed by the Executive Director of the Haldimand-Norfolk CAS.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council authorizes the Updated Protection Services Protocol between Haldimand-Norfolk Children’s Aid Society and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – INDIGENOUS SERVICES CANADA (ISC) AMENDMENT 1819-ON-0000006 A004 (AMENDMENT TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)

SHS Director noted that she requires Chief and Council authorization to accept ISC Amendment 1819-ON-0000006 A004 reflecting 3% program growth for fiscal year 18-29 under the flexible agreement

Received notification of annual growth from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) on February 2nd, 2019.

Amending Agreement was provided for signature on March 2nd, 2019.

Councillor LS reiterated that Senior Staff need to keep abreast of politics. Executive Director replied that she has already talked with staff.

It was noted by Councillor LS that we are giving all of our information to the government. He also reiterated that we are an “Indian Industry from birth to death”. Chief agreed and added that we should be telling ISC what we want.

Councillor LS further reiterated that MCFN pulled away from AIAI and we got our own dollars instead of AIAI getting it. He believes that AFN and Chiefs of Ontario take our dollars for themselves, and we should remove ourselves from these political bodies.

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council authorizes Indigenous Services Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch amendment 1819-ON-0000006 A0004 2018-2019 annual growth as follows:

- Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program (CPNP) - \$745.00 (Seven Hundred Forty-Five Dollars);
- Building Healthy Communities (BHC) - \$3,454.00 (Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars);
- Brighter Futures (BF) - \$3,685.00 (Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars);
- National Native Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention Program (NNADAP) - \$1740.00 (One Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars);
- Community Health Promotion and Injury/Illness Prevention (CHPI/IP) - \$5,957.00 (Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars);
- Home and Community Care (HCC) Service Delivery - \$5,544.00 (Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Four Dollars);
- Health Research and Engagement (data collection) - \$73.00 (Seventy-Three Dollars);
- Community Facilities Operations and Maintenance (O&M) - \$656.00 (Six Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars);

For a total of \$21,854.00 (Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents).

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

SHS Director out at 9:40 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

SEPARATE ITEM

It was agreed that there would be a Special Council Meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 28th, 10:00 to 3:00 pm; and Monday, April 29th from 9:00 to 3:00 pm. Lunch will be served both days.

Councillor LS suggested that for the above meeting a list of action items and target dates are necessary eg. Pillars, Administration, Finances etc. He also suggested the Proposal Writer as the Facilitator for this meeting.

Chief stated that a Finance Oversight Committee is needed.

It was agreed that this item would be added to Regular Council for further discussion.

ECC Supervisor in at 9:45 am.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 13.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – SEEKING APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE OF VAN FOR EARLYON PROGRAM (ECC SUPERVISOR)

It was agreed that three different quotes would be required. This item will come back to the next Executive Finance Council Meeting on Monday, March 25, 2019.

ECC Supervisor out at 10:00 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – AMENDMENT TO COMMUNITY WELLNESS DISTRIBUTION (BCR TO BE SIGNED) (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

Executive Director noted in her Briefing Note that an Amendment to accommodate 2019/20 Community Wellness of \$2,000.00 per capita is required.

MCFN received \$6,388,070.00 in Feb. 2019 in its TP Revenue Account.

Council in their meeting of February 5, 2019 passed a Motion expressing the intent to provide \$2,000.00 per Member pursuant to the Community Wellness Policy for 2019/120.

Action Required to Amend the Community Wellness Policy

Legal Counsel opinion is required as to whether the Amendment would constitute a substantial change ([attachment B](#) – letter dated Mar. 6/19);

Council must then execute a BCR to this effect;

PH Trust is then provided a copy of the Legal Opinion and BCR and provides in writing that they find there to be 'No substantial change' or 'substantial change'.

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council authorize the signing of a Band Council Resolution worded as follows:

WHEREAS the MISSISSAUGAS of the NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION (MNCFN) TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST AGREEMENT makes provision for the amendment of the Agreement pursuant to article 14; and

WHEREAS article 14.2 provides for an amendment after written receipt from legal counsel explaining the legal implications and benefits of the proposed amendments and also stating that the amendments do not substantially alter the entitlements or obligations of the parties hereto, including the beneficial interest of MNCFN, or the purposes of the Trust, shall be initiated by Council and may be approved by Council Resolution, and agreed to by the Trustee in writing; and

WHEREAS the MNCFN Council wishes to amend Schedule “B” Community Wellness Policy by adding the following paragraph after the third paragraph:

Pursuant to Section 14.6 of MNCFN Toronto Purchase Claim Trust Agreement dated March 29, 2010, MNCFN Special Council has approved for the fiscal year 2019/2020, the amendment of the Community Wellness Policy (Schedule B) to increase the reimbursement to \$2,000.00 (Two Thousand Dollars) instead of \$1,500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars). Thereafter the reimbursement will amend back to \$1,500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars); and

WHEREAS the MNCFN legal counsel, Kim Fullerton has provided a written opinion dated March 6, 2019 in which he states, “*Amendments to the Trust Agreement are dealt with in Article 14 (found at page 22)...pursuant to section 14.6 Chief and Council has the authority to amend both Schedule “B”, the Community Wellness Policy” and Schedule “C”, the Estate Policy, by simply passing a Council Resolution; and that an amendment to Schedule B Community Wellness Policy to increase the annual amount from one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) to two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the First Nation’s fiscal year 2019/20 will not substantially alter the Trust Agreement; and the amendment will not substantially alter the entitlements or obligations of the parties to the Trust Agreement, including the beneficial interest of MNCFN, or the purposes of the Trust.*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the MNCFN Council hereby amends Schedule “B” Community Wellness Policy by adding the following after the third paragraph:

Pursuant to Section 14.6 of MNCFN Toronto Purchase Claim Trust Agreement dated March 29, 2010, MNCFN Special Council has approved for the fiscal year 2019/2020, to amend the Community Wellness Policy (Schedule B) to increase the reimbursement to \$2,000.00 (Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars) instead of \$1,500.00 (One Thousand

Five Hundred Dollars). Thereafter the reimbursement will amend back to \$1,500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars).

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

See BCR No. 243 – 2018-2019

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 16.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16 – INDIGENOUS SERVICES CANADA (ISC) NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #010 (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR) (AMENDMENT TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)

Executive Director noted in her Briefing Note that MNCFN's multiyear 2018-2023 Agreement No. 1819-ON-000001 provides for changes to the Agreement by way of 'Notice of Budget Adjustment' or an 'Amending Agreement'. The former where funding for a service or activity is changed in accordance with an adjustment factor and the latter for new funds.

Notice of Budget Amendment #010 is an amendment to provide flex funding in the total amount of \$241,435.00 from Community Infrastructure Education Facilities (LSK Portable) funding.

Note:

Fixed means a contribution for a program or service or activity for which any unexpended balance may be used by the Council if conditions specified in this Agreement are met.

Flex means a contribution for a program, service or activity for which any unexpended balances may be used by the Council, if conditions specified in this Agreement are met until the end of the program...or the expiry of this Agreement whichever occurs first.

Set means a contribution for a program, service or activity for which any unexpended funding or any ineligible expenditure must be reimbursed to Canada.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts and authorizes the signing of the Department of Indigenous Services Canada Amendment #010 which provides flex funds in the total amount of Two Hundred Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$241,435.00) to the Department of Education for the LSK Portable and related (set up and hook up) costs.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

NOTE: Chief and Council signed the Amendment.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 12.

Jana Burns & Jenna Morris in at 10:15 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – GUESTS TO PRESENT ON GUELPH-WELLINGTON'S SMART CITIES APPLICATION (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)

Guests were introduced and thanked Chief and Council for being allowed to present. They also handed out a power point presentation and everyone followed along.

The City of Guelph and the County of Wellington are working together with many community partners to move forward with an application for the Smart Cities Challenge that is an Infrastructure Canada opportunity. More information can be found here <https://impact.canada.ca/en/challenges/smart-cities>.

We have worked as a community to submit our application, which was accepted into the final running.

Our application is all about a circular food economy: imagine a food system where there's no such thing as waste and where everyone has access to the healthy, nutritious food they need to thrive.

Imagine a living lab that promotes collaboration between food entrepreneurs, farmers, researchers and social innovators — and a rural-urban partnership that leverages smart technology to make it all possible.

A global transformation has begun — and Guelph/Wellington aims to lead the way. Our goal is to become Canada's first technology-enabled circular food economy.

We invite the Mississauga's of the Credit to explore the following three questions:

1. Feedback on the project as to how it aligns (or not) with Indigenous peoples practices towards sustainability;
2. A Letter of Support and intent to partner from Chief and Council; and,
3. For Mississauga of the Credit to appoint someone to the project's Advisory Board. This person could offer genuine and meaningful recommendations for this project.

Councillor LS questioned if anyone from MCFN was consulted since Guelph is the Treaty Lands of MCFN. Before this application was even started someone should have come to MCFN first.

Councillor EF pointed out that this organization/project needs to know who MCFN is. She gave them a map. She also volunteered to put packages together regarding the history of MCFN and send it to the presenters.

With regard to the Advisory Board, Councillor LS informed that there should be someone from MCFN.

Ms. Morris informed that they will know in mid-May whether or not they won the application. The whole process was started in the summer of 2018.

Councillor CJ questioned if they have a site specific land mass/zoning section. Ms. Morris answered that it covers only Guelph/Wellington.

The project is spread all across the country. There are 20 communities running, and there will be three different prizes.

Councillor LS informed that MCFN is an afterthought, and he is opposed to bringing MCFN in after the fact.

It was agreed that the Executive Director would prepare a Letter of Support for the Chief's signature.

It was also agreed that Councillor Cathie Jamieson would be appointed to the Project's Advisory Board.

Jana Burns & Jenna Morris were thanked for their presentation and left at 10:40 am.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 15.

Finance Director in at 10:45 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – APPROVAL OF TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST – FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MONTHLY GATHERING (FINANCE DIRECTOR)

Finance Director went through all the Financial Reports in order for Chief and Council to have a better understanding of explaining them to the Band Members at the Monthly Gathering.

MOTION NO. 12

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the following accounts to be discussed at the Monthly Gathering on Saturday, March 23, 2019:

- TP Initial Payment;
- Revenue Account;
- PCD Members Turning 18;
- TP Distribution of Community Development, Land Acquisition and Education.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Finance Director out at 11:10 am.

SEPARATE ITEM

Councillor ES informed that the people who live around the former Green Willow property are complaining that cars are going back to the property all hours of the night and there is a lot of noise. He would like to speak with the PW Director regarding putting up a fence around the property. Councillor ES has also set up a meeting with security and peace keepers.

It was agreed that Councillors Stephanie LaForme and Evan Sault will meet with the PW Director on Friday, March 22, 2019. One of the topics of discussion will be putting a fence/security around the former Green Willow Property.

Councillor VKJ informed that there are dollars available.

MOTION NO. 13

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council moved In-Camera at 11:18 am.

Carried

MOTION NO. 15

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council moved Out of Camera at 11:23 am.

Carried

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 17a).

Education Director and Cassandra Green (FNWSC) Community Liaison Lead in at 11:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17a) - EDUCATION INTERIM FUNDING FORMULA FOR 2019/2020 (EDUCATION DIRECTOR)

Education Director noted in her Briefing Note that in September 2018, Leslee White-Eye gave a presentation to Regular Council regarding the Education Transformation.

Indigenous Services Canada is implementing a new formula-based regional funding model for elementary and secondary education, replacing a number of proposal-based programs, i.e. FNSSP (First Nations Student Success Program) and News Paths for Education.

The Interim Funding can fluctuate year to year as it is based on the provincial model.

The model is called Interim Funding for two reasons, the first because it fluctuates and ISC will continue to tweak it in coming years to adapt to First Nations needs to the extent that they are able. The second reason is because ISC hopes First Nations will eventually develop and negotiate their own education agreements (as groups, regionally or individually).

If MCFN opts into the Interim Funding Model the education portion of the Block Agreement will be rebased every year and not limited to the 2% (typical increase). Once opting into the new formula, there is no going back to the old Block.

If MCFN decides not to opt into the Interim Funding Model, funding will remain status quo.

Canada is off-loading federal responsibility to the Province. Councillor LS pointed out that this should be sending alarm bells!

Education Director reiterated that once we opt in, we can stay status quo, but cannot opt out.

Executive Director remembered that Leslee White-Eye said we would not get the FNSSP. Education Director replied that it is protected and we get it if we do not opt in. Executive Director then noted that it is a cost sharing agreement similar to the 1965 Welfare Agreement. The formula is 50/50.

Education Director informed that she can bring ISC members here to present to Chief and Council.

Councillor LS noted that the whole funding formula model is based on the OFNLP model. He questioned who would be disbursing these dollars. Education Director answered that the funding is coming directly from ISC.

Chief questioned what would be different if we signed this Agreement. Education Director stated that the formula still uses the Nominal Roll. Chief then stated he would like to hear from Kent Elson (Legal Counsel).

It was agreed that the Education Director would follow up with Kent Elson (Legal Counsel) and Julia Candlish (who previously worked at Chiefs of Ontario).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18 – ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NO. 16

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council adjourned this meeting at 12:00 pm.

Carried