

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION  
EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL  
PUBLIC MINUTES  
Monday, May 13, 2019**

**Start 9:09 am**

**Finish 12:10 pm**

**Chief Councillor**

**R. Stacey Laforme**

**Councillor**

**Erma Ferrell**

**Councillor**

**Rodger LaForme**

**Councillor/Chair**

**Evan Sault**

**Councillor**

**Veronica King-Jamieson**

**Councillor**

**Cathie Jamieson (Sick)**

**Councillor**

**Stephanie LaForme**

**Councillor**

**Larry Sault**

**Executive Director**

**Cynthia Jamieson**

**Chief Operating Officer**

**Kailey Thomson**

**Recorder**

**Charlotte Smith**

**DSED**

**Nick Hogewoning**

**PW Director**

**Arland LaForme**

**Education Director**

**Katelyn LaForme**

**Legal Counsel**

**Charles Vincent**

**Guests**

**Amrita Daniere, Susan Senese, Sherry Fukuzawa**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING**

Chair/Councillor Evan Sault opened the meeting at 9:09 am. Councillor Cathie Jamieson is away sick.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA**

**MOTION NO. 1**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

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

- Agenda Item No. 8b) – Curriculum Lead & Contract Teacher Positions at LSK;
- Agenda Item No. 12c) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 14a) – Additional Research to be done on the 1847 Relocation (LMR Director);
- Agenda Item No. 14b) – Attend or Host a Meeting with Susan Waters, Deputy Minister of Environment Management and ATR Process.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES**

**MOTION NO. 2**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Public Minutes of Education & Social Services Council Meeting dated Monday, April 8, 2019.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**4.1 FYI** – Indian Day School Litigation – Letter of Support dated April 30, 2019 and signed by the Chief.

Executive Director noted that Josh Shoemaker will be attending the May 25<sup>th</sup> Monthly Gathering to present on the Indian Day School Litigation.

PW Director in at 8:55 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 5 – SIX NATIONS NATURAL GAS & WATERLINE EASEMENT AGREEMENTS (PW DIRECTOR) (BRIAN FINNIGAN IS AVAILABLE BY TELEPHONE SHOULD HIS EXPERTISE BE REQUIRED)**

PW Director noted in his Briefing Note that a Motion of Council is required to authorize Public Works Department to inform Brian Finnigan (Legal Counsel) to proceed with the permit application for approval by the Minister to ensure the Six Nations Natural Gas Agreement and Waterline Easement Agreements are compliant with Section 28 of the Indian Act.

Two (2) Waterline Easement Agreements were negotiated when an earlier phase of the waterline was installed which will require permit authorization.

Four (4) additional Waterline Easement Agreements were negotiated when a later phase of the waterline was installed which will require permit authorization.

PW Director stated that if both parties agree, good, but if not, then there will be disputes.

Councillor LS believes that we should be cautious going forward.

Executive Director noted that another lease agreement is with Native Horizons Treatment Centre.

Chief suggested that we should remain status quo, and in the meantime work on our own laws.

PW Director informed that he would like a statement saying that we (Chief & Council) are the governing body and we will make our own laws.

**DIRECTION NO. 1**

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council directs the Chief to prepare a Statement for the PW Director regarding the Six Nations Natural Gas & Waterline Easement Agreements, and that it will remain status quo, but in the meantime Chief and Council will work on MCFN's own laws.

PW Director out at 9:35 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5a) – CANNABIS INITIATIVE (DSED & LS)**

At their Education & Social Services Council Meeting of Monday, June 10, 2019, Council agreed to move Agenda Item No. 5a) to the In-Camera Minutes.

# EDUCATION

Education Director in at 9:45 am.

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – COMMUNITY TRUST GRADUATION AWARDS 2019**

Education Director noted that she is requesting permission to submit an application for 2019 Community Trust Graduation Award Program.

The Community Trust has been generous enough to provide funding for the MCFN Graduation Award Program for multiple years. In 2018 we had 62 MCFN Members receive a graduation award; it is a great incentive for students to complete their educational goals.

### **MOTION NO. 4**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the application for the 2019 MCFN Graduation Award Program in the amount of \$39,700.00 (Thirty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars).

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE APPLICATION APPROVAL – SECONDARY SCHOOL BUS (AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)**

Education Director noted that the Education Department was approved for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 application for secondary school bus dollars.

In January 2019 Education & Social Services Council approved the application for funding from January-June 2019 in the amount of \$39,786.00 as the request for the above mentioned student came in after budgets for the fiscal were approved. Jordan's Principle makes sure all First Nations children can access the products, services and supports they need, when they need them. It can help with a wide range of health, social and educational needs, including specialized school transportation.

Funds have been approved in the amount of \$39,786.00.

### **MOTION NO. 5**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the incoming dollars from ISC (Indigenous Services Canada) – Jordan's Principle in the amount of \$39,786.00 (Thirty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars), of which \$19,893.00 (Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars) is allocated to the 2018-2019 fiscal and \$19,893.00 (Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars) for the 2019-2020 fiscal; to the Education Department for the Secondary School Bus (Brantford Route).

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – THE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP GRANT**

Education Director noted that the Learning Partnership has given Lloyd S. King Elementary School a grant to help with costs for Welcome to Kindergarten night.

In April 2018 the Learning Partnership requested a letter of support to apply for dollars for the Welcome to Kindergarten kits and making them more culturally appropriate. LSK has utilized the Welcome to Kindergarten kits offered through this program since 2013.

The Learning Partnership has generously issued two cheques to LSK for \$850.00 each and provided two letters outlining the donation.

**MOTION NO. 6**

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the \$1,700 (One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars) from the Learning Partnership to assist the costs of the Welcome to Kindergarten event at Lloyd S. King Elementary School in May, 2019.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8b) – CURRICULUM LEAD & CONTRACT TEACHER POSITIONS AT LLOYD S. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Education Director is requesting approval for a contract teacher position for the Kindergarten Classroom for 2019-2020.

In 2018 as part of the FNSSP work plan, the creation of a Curriculum Lead teacher role and contract teacher role was put into place. A current teacher at LSK, CS filled the role as Curriculum Lead teacher. A contract teacher was hired to fill in for CS's classroom for the 2018-2019 school year on a one-year contract.

Staffing recommendations and feedback were received from the Principal to carry on another year with the Curriculum Lead teacher role in place and, thus the creation of a new contract for a classroom teacher is needed. The ultimate goal is long term planning for the school.

These positions have been budgeted for both the Curriculum Lead as well as a contract teacher to fill C.S position for 2019-2020 within the BOES-LSK budget.

Councillor EF stated that this item does not have to be at the Council Table. Executive Director reiterated that she can post for the first three months of a contract position, but a one-year contract has to Chief and Council for approval.

**MOTION NO. 7**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council approves a contract for Kindergarten Classroom Teacher Role for 2019-2020. Salary dollars will come from the BOES-LSK Budget.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Education Director out at 10:25 am.

**MOTION NO. 8**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council moved In-Camera at 10:25 am.

Carried

**MOTION NO. 12**

MOVED BY RODGER LAFORME

SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council moved Out of Camera at 11:40 am.

Carried

## **OTHER/NEW BUSINESS**

Guests – Amrita Daniere, Susan Senese and Sherri Fukwzawa in at 11:30 am.

### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – GUEST – SUSAN SENESE FROM UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO MISSISSAUGA TO DO PRESENTATION – NAMING OF BUILDING & MOU (VKJ)**

Chair invited the guests introduce themselves.

Amrita Daniere (Acting Principal) of the University of Toronto Mississauga presented a tobacco pouch to the Chief.

Ms. Daniere informed that she is trying to implement recommendations from the Truth and Reconciliation, but also wants to work with First Nations.

Susan Senese informed that the building they are using is beautiful, and they need a name for it. Opening Day is Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. She is requesting that MCFN participate in the opening. MCFN's map will be hung in the building.

Chief suggested they contact Caitlin LaForme (Culture & Events Coordinator) and get her assistance.

Councillor VKJ informed that the name will be "Gathering of Minds" as suggested by Elder Garry Sault. Councillor VKJ also informed that this project will be transferred to Pillar No. 4 – Education & Awareness (Pillar Lead is Councillor VKJ). She will email the Culture & Events Coordinator with the details.

Chief informed that since MCFN has relationships with all three campuses, all three should have our Land Acknowledgements.

Councillor LS suggested donating an historical plaque to the University.

Ms. Senese informed that there is a whole list of initiatives they would like to do such as expansion, meals – adding Indigenous menus etc.

Councillor LS stressed that it needs to be very clear that this is MCFN's land acknowledgement plaque, and there are no other Treaty holders. Ms. Daniere will look into this. Councillor LS informed that the "Dish With One Spoon" is not a Treaty, but only a Deed, and the same with the Nanfan. He reiterated that we need to be very clear with historical documents.

Ms. Daniere will work on the MOU.

Guests were thanked for their presentation and left at 12:00 pm.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 14a) – ADDITIONAL RESEARCH WORK TO BE DONE ON THE 1847 RELOCATION**

LMR Director noted in her Briefing Note that she is requesting Council approval to contract Joan Holmes and Associates to conduct additional research into Mississaugas of the Credit 1847 Relocation.

At the April 23, 2019 meeting of the Land Claim Negotiating Team, it was agreed that additional research should be done.

In addition, on March 20, 2019 a letter was received from the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy. addressed to Chief Stacey LaForme. The letter outlines their concerns and they would be pleased to meet with Council.

There will be no response to the letter at this time until MCFN does further research.

The Land Claim Negotiating Team sees the need for additional research to be done in the area of how New Credit Indian Reserve #40A came to be. The research will be done commencing in 1835 until 1910.

**MOTION NO. 13**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to contact Joan Holmes & Associates to conduct further research into the 1847 relocation in the amount of \$65,980.00 (Sixty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars). Funds will come from the Governance ISK (Indigenous Services Canada) Budget.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 14b) – ATTEND OR HOST A MEETING WITH SUSAN WATERS (DEPUTY MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT & ATR PROCESS)**

It was noted that someone from Chief and Council attend or possibly host an internal meeting of the Ontario Government scheduled for the end of June in Toronto on Urban Reserves.

Councillor LS and CJ met with Susan Waters Deputy Minister of ATR and Environmental Management at the AFN meeting May 1 & 2, 2019.

The purpose of the June internal meeting is to meet with other parties that have Urban Reserves as there is interest in creating an Urban Reserve in downtown Toronto.

Minister Waters is very receptive to the idea of an Urban Reserve and she has also expressed that this meeting could be led by Mississaugas of the Credit and working with the Government to create an Urban Reserve in downtown Toronto.

The idea of MCFN possibly hosting this meeting is an excellent idea as it will be held in their Treaty Lands.

Councillor Larry Sault will follow up and work with Susan Waters regarding this meeting.



This is an opportunity for MCFN which has been talked about for many years - the creation of an Urban Reserve in downtown Toronto.

The Ontario government is on board and this could become a reality.

**MOTION NO. 14**

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council approves Councillors Larry Sault and Cathie Jamieson and Kim Fullerton (Legal Counsel) attend and host an internal meeting of interested parties at the end of June 2019 (TBD) for the purpose of discussing an Urban Reserve in Downtown Toronto.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION NO. 15**

MOVED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Education & Social Services Council adjourned this meeting at 12:10 pm.

Carried