



MESC BOARD MEETING NOTES

DATE:	June 20, 2022
START TIME:	2:18 pm
END TIME:	6:42 pm
LOCATION:	Maskwacîs Governance and Training Centre
CHAIRPERSON:	Dr. Shauna Bruno
BOARD:	Allison Adams-Bull, Tamara Wildcat, John Nepoose, Jerry Saddleback Jr. (Google Meet- left after agenda item 13), Councillor Mario Swampy (Google Meet), Chief Desmond Bull (Google Meet), Randal Potts (Google Meet- Arrived during agenda item 4)
STAFF:	Brian Wildcat, Tracy Swampy-Sylvester, Randy Risto
PRESNETERS:	Matt Wildcat (Agenda item 3-4)
RECORDER:	Jenn Nepoose

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TIME ALLOCATION:	N/A
PRESENTER(S):	Board Governors
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Welcome Chief Desmond Bull to the MESC Board of Governors.Superintendent, Brian Wildcat, awarded honorary law doctorate by the University of Alberta.

2. Joint Board meeting preparation

TIME ALLOCATION:	1 hour
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Brian Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Shorten the agenda and confirmed who will attend in person.

3. Board transition/orientation

TIME ALLOCATION:	15 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Brian Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	"08.08-10.2022.BOG.Orientation.Agenda"
DISCUSSION:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">No changes to the draft agenda.Exiting Board only need to be present August 8th.

4. Maskwacîs Rules of Order

TIME ALLOCATION:	30 min
PRESENTER(S):	Matt Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	"Maskwacîs Rules of Order June 20"
DISCUSSION:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">May need to create a formalized rules and procedures.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Discussion on dispute resolutions for people with. Can include clauses from the agreements. c. Need to decide if the Board will use a Nehiyaw approach to governance or a western approach. d. Suggestion to speak with Leroy Littlebear. e. Discussion on the meeting rules the Board currently follows. 	
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Change “Chief Executive” to “Superintendent”. b. Share with the Circle of Elders. c. Follow up with Bruce in Cree terms to include in the document. d. Rename the document to reduce confusion between nehiyaw governance and western governance. e. Remove “nehiyaw law”. 	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
JENN NEPOOSE	Add “Maskwacis Rules of Order” to the Circle of Elders agenda	September

5. Hockey Program

TIME ALLOCATION:	10 min	
PRESENTER(S):	Gordon Naylor and Adam Tresoor	
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A	
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Program will run middle of November to the middle of April for students in grade 10-12. b. Will be offered as an option class. c. Projected 35 students registered in the class. d. Board suggestion to explore ways to provide equipment to students who do not have equipment and transportation to patriciate. e. Encourage the instructors to grow the program to develop MESC teams to enter the league. f. Suggestion to host a student’s vs staff/board to close the year. 	
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Request for a 3 or 5 year plan for the program. Phase in younger students. 	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
GORDON NAYLOR	Draft a 5-year plan with a budget.	September

6. Adopt the agenda

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	“06.20.2022.Board Agenda”
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Add school concerns under other business.
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Moved by Tamara, seconded by Allison, all in favour.

7. Adopt the May 17, 2022 meeting notes

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
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PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	05.17.2022.Meeting notes
DISCUSSION:	a. Spelling correction.
DECISION:	a. Moved by Allison, seconded by John, all in favour

8. Update from Circle of Elders

TIME ALLOCATION:	10 min
PRESENTER(S):	John Nepoose
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Presentations from Ermineskin Elementary and Grace Marie Swampy Primary schools. b. Met with learning services to discuss translations of colours to Cree. c. Recommendation for the new board to review procedure for following up on Circle of Elders recommendations.
DECISION:	a. Will be assigning a MESC employee to the Circle of Elders in August.

9. School name changes

TIME ALLOCATION:	15 min
PRESENTER(S):	Brian Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	Letters to Chiefs and Chief's responses
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Add school concerns under other business. b. Discussion on name suggestions and naming spaces in the schools after Maskwacîsak. c. Include pictures of the individual in the room that is named after them. d. Request to fly all four Nation flags at each school. e. Be mindful of any ceremony that had taken place to name the schools. Follow proper protocol.
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Get feedback from Nations and staff on naming of rooms inside the schools. b. Host a ceremony to rename the schools. c. No. 154 Official MESC Motion- School name changes

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
BRIAN WILDCAT	Get the junior high school and high school a flag from each Nation.	September

10. Cancel July regular Board meeting

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	a. All in favour.
DECISION:	a. No. 155 Official MESC Motion- July 2022 Board meeting

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:



11. Reschedule audit presentation in July

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min	
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:		
DISCUSSION:	a. Discussion on pope visit possibly conflicting with meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Road closures.- Possible large amount of people in Maskwacîs.	
DECISION:	a. Keep the date, move the meeting to Wetaskiwin.	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:

12. Superintendent compensation

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	
DISCUSSION:	a. Discussion on transition of the Superintendent.
DECISION:	a. No. 156 Official MESC Motion- Superintendent compensation

13. Creation of MESC capital plan

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Brian Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	a. Conflict with original location on Ermineskin Cree Nation. b. Update on land allocated to MESC. Samson is ready to move forward with allocating land for the new high school and administration building. c. MESC has the resources to build. d. The bank has pre-approved MESC for a loan is needed. e. Can seek donors to supplement funding. f. Requesting an allocation of 90% of the reserve fund to the capital plan. g. Concern if ISC would reimburse the build. h. COVID restrictions has contributed to the reserve fund. i. Will not affect operational budgets. j. Decision falls within the agreements. k. Projected approximately 8 million for the administration building and approximately 25 million for the high school. l. The land would be owned by the Nation.
DECISION:	a. No. 157 Official MESC Motion- Allocation of funds for capital

14. Monitoring Board performance



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TIME ALLOCATION:	20 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	Monitoring Board performance policies
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. EL-2: Treatment of Staff (Content review)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Add 'and' between vulnerable sector check andb. EL-8: Communication and Support to the Board (Content review)c. GP- Global Governance Commitment (Content review)d. BMD-4: Monitoring Superintendent Performance (Content review)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Replace 'judge' with 'determine' in 4.
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. EL-2: Treatment of Staff is still relevant.b. EL-8: Communication and Support to the Board is still relevant.c. GP- Global Governance Commitment is still relevant.d. BMD-4: Monitoring Superintendent Performance is still relevant.

15. Other business

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Tamara Wildcat
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Rumours of regular fights at a MESC school.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Incidents at MESC schools has increased this year. Observed impacts from closures and isolation during the pandemic.- Violent Threat and Risk Assessments are conducted when there are concerns in the school.- The particular incident was addressed with the Principal and parent.- Looking into increased supervision in certain areas of the school.b. Concern with virtual meetings with restrictions being lifted.c. Ensure signage is proofread.