

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING MINUTES

DATE:	April 11, 2023
START TIME:	1:08 pm
END TIME:	4:22 pm
LOCATION:	MGTC Main Boardroom
CHAIRPERSON:	Dr. Shauna Bruno
BOARD:	Councillor Mario Swampy (Google Meet 2:01pm), Councillor Chase Mcdougall, Elliott Young, Debra Strongman-Omeasoo, Councillor Jason Makinaw, Chief Desmond Bull (Google Meet 1:20pm), Helen Bull, John Nepoose, Carmella Cutknife, Azure Johnson
REGRETS:	Ilene Cardinal-Nepoose, Allison Adams-Bull
STAFF:	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester, Trina Vy
RECORDER:	Janine Wildcat

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TIME ALLOCATION:	N/A
PRESENTER(S):	Group
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	Easter celebrations, Hockey Provincials and Enoch Pow Wow.

2. Adopt Agenda

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TIME ALLOCATION:	1 minute	
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:	"Agenda"	
DISCUSSION:	Motion to adopt agenda	
DECISION:	Moved by Elliott Young, seconded by Helen Bull, all in favour.	
A. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST		
TIME ALLOCATION:	1 min	
PRESENTER(S):	Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A	
DISCUSSION:	No conflict of interest	

3. Adopt Minutes March 14, 2023

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 minutes
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DECISION:	Moved by Elliott Young, Seconded by Helen Bull, all in favour.

4. Ownership Linkage

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a. Update from Circle of Elders	
TIME ALLOCATION:	15 minutes
PRESENTER(S):	Belinda Lightning, Helen Bull, and John Nepoose
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	 School visits at Meskanahk Ka-Nipa Wit & Grace Marie Swampy Memorial Schools. Not enough Elders in attendance for the debrief meeting. Discussions on the Ermineskin Learning Center name. Suggesting to name the school after an individual from Ermineskin. COE not having enough time to meet. Proposing 1 school visit, and alternate meeting the next month. Suggestion to schedule remaining school visits for the fall.



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	- Pigeon Lake member still has not been appointed.	
	- Request from Don Johnson for collaboration with the COE. John wou	ld like to invite
	Cecil and present protocol for the meeting with Don Johnson, he will d	come to next COE
	meeting. The COE doesn't want to overstep their boundaries.	
DECISION:	COE will schedule a meeting with Don Johnson and Cecil Crier	
	ACTION ITEMS	
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
TRACY	Submit a letter to Ermineskin Chief and Council about the suggested names from COE.	
JASON	Check with Ermineskin on the chosen name from the naming contest and update the board on the new name. Also suggested to look at doc GP-18 by chair.	May 9, 2023
BRUCE & BELINDA	Meet with leadership to choose a Pigeon Lake member for COE.	
b. Engagement P	Plan	
TIME ALLOCATION:	20 Minutes	
PRESENTER(S):	Jennifer Nepoose	
REFERENCE DOC:	Engagement Plan	
DISCUSSION:	 Board Members would like to see MESC as a first choice for parents to register their children instead of neighbouring communities. Suggested "Enrollment Strategic Plan" to include non-nation neighbouring communities to register their children in a MESC school. 	
DECISION:	- ESA Agreement – visiting neighbouring schools and they visit us.	
DECISION.	Jennifer Nepoose will revise the Rights Holders Terms	

5. Items for Discussion

Board Expenses	
TIME ALLOCATION:	1 Hour
PRESENTER(S):	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester & Tina Vy
REFERENCE DOC:	"Board Expenses Options"
DISCUSSION:	 Budget expenses presented with options for honorarium adjustment. Suggested Option D as the best option. COE & Proxy should also be included in honorariums. Option E presented: 5% increase with cheque signers incentives
DECISION:	 Motion to choose "Option D: Annual Bonus (\$1800 covers inflation, cheque signing, additional travelling for signing cheques and committee meetings) Moved by Azure Johnson, Seconded by Elliott Young, all in favour

6. Monitoring Board Performance		
a. Monitorir	a. Monitoring Report EL-1 Worksheet	
TIME ALLOCATION:	45 minutes	
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:	"Monitoring Report EL – 1 Worksheet"	
DISCUSSION:	- Questions about duplication of services within the community.	
	- The need for more SFSW Case Workers is apparent. A suggestion that they should	
	have their own salary grid because of their client caseload.	
	- Questions about Safety inspections and first aid training for staff.	
	- Discussion on system-wide approach to bullying.	
	- Questions about the complaint process for students with Teachers or MESC	
	employees.	
b. GP-6 Board Committee Principles		



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TIME ALLOCATION:	5 Minutes
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	"GP-6: Board Committee Principles"
DISCUSSION:	No requests for evidence.
C.GP-7: BOARD COMMITTEE STRUCTURE	
TIME ALLOCATION:	5 Minutes
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	"GP-7: Board Committee Structure"
DISCUSSION:	-Discussion about Ad Hoc Committee

7. Board Education, Presentations, and Discussion	
a. Adult Learning	g Fund Allocation
Time Allocation:	10 minutes
Presenter(s):	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
Discussion:	Adult Learning fund will be allocated to Maskwacis Outreach School
b. MESC Managi	ng COVID Handbook/staff shortage
Time Allocation:	10 minutes
Presenter(s):	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester
REFERENCE DOC:	
Discussion:	- Concerns about school closures.
	- No longer following COVID handbook for school closures.
	- The COVID handbook will only be utilized for student safety.
	- Suspended a board motion to support school closures due to COVID restrictions. It
	would be helpful to look back at that motion.
c. Quarterly Lead	dership Report
Time Allocation:	15 minutes
Presenter(s):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	
Discussion:	- Importance stressed about MESC Board and leadership connections.
	- Debra and Chase have plans to meet with Montana leadership.
	- Jason and Elliott are working on meeting with Ermineskin leadership.