



**MIINIWEWINAN  
INDIGENOUS EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**DATE:** Thursday, November 7, 2024 – 9:00 am – 12:00pm – Boardroom/Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

**CO-CHAIR:** Heather Harris

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathleen Andrews, Elliott Cromarty, Elder Sheila DeCorte, Trustee Pat Johansen, Cheryl King-Zewiec, Elder Melissa Roberts, Angelina Tassone, Morning Star Tom

**ALTERNATES:** Trustee Ellen Chambers

**RESOURCES:** Kali Bernst, Anika Guthrie, Anthony Jeethan, Jane Lower, Tanya Moses, Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Director of Education, Jasmine Sgambelluri

**GUESTS:** Eryn Genno, Student Representative

**ABSENT WITH REGRETS:** Myra Bannon, Kathy Beardy, Kristy Boucher, Sheri Boucher, Shelby Ch'ng, Emily Drake, Indigenous Student Trustee, Serena Essex, Dinah Jung, Akansha Kaur, Anna Fern Kakegamic, Michelle Kakegamic, Miranda Lesperance, Elder Gerry Martin, Dave Paddington, Brett Parres, , Trustee Trudy Tuchenhausen (Alternate), Indigenous Trustee Scottie Wemigwans

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.	Opening	Elder Sheila DeCorte opened the meeting.	Elder Sheila DeCorte
2.	2.1 Land Acknowledgement	Co-chair Heather Harris acknowledged the lands and traditional territory.	Heather Harris
	2.2 Welcome and Introductions	Co-Chair Heather Harris welcomed everyone to the meeting and had all members introduce themselves.	Heather Harris

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3.	Agenda and Minutes		
	3.1 Approval of Agenda - November 7, 2024	<p>Moved by Trustee Pat Johansen and seconded by Elder Sheila DeCorte, that the agenda for the November 7, 2024 Miiniwewinan meeting be approved with the following amendment:</p> <p>That Elder Sheila DeCorte open the meeting.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p>	Heather Harris
	3.2 Approval of Minutes – September 26, 2024	<p>Moved by Elder Sheila DeCorte and seconded by Trustee Pat Johansen, that the minutes for the September 26, 2024 Miiniwewinan meeting be approved as written.</p> <p><b>Carried</b></p>	Heather Harris
4.	Presentations		
	4.1 Miiniwewinan Meeting Norms	<p>Co-chair Heather Harris shared suggested Miiniwewinan committee meeting norms put together to ensure the work of the committee is focused and moving forward cohesively. Feedback from the committee was requested.</p> <p>All members' questions were addressed.</p>	Heather Harris
	4.2 Strategic Plan Input	<p>Co-chair Heather Harris split the committee into small groups to discuss questions from Maximum City Consulting requesting input from the committee regarding the Strategic Plan.</p> <p>All members' questions were addressed.</p>	Heather Harris
5.	Business Arising from the Minutes		
	5.1 13 Moons Feedback	<p>Kali Bernst, Principal of Indigenous Education and Program shared feedback received about the 13 Moons resource and next steps.</p> <p>All members' questions were addressed.</p>	Kali Bernst

	5.2 Parent Involvement Event	Kali Bernst, Principal of Indigenous Education and Program shared possible plans for the Parent Involvement event at Kingfisher Outdoor Education Centre. Feedback from the committee was requested.  All members' questions were addressed	Kali Bernst
	5.3 Parent Involvement Committee Member	Co-chair Heather Harris asked the committee for a volunteer to sit on the Parent Involvement Committee as the Miiniwewinan Committee Representative.	Heather Harris
	5.4 Four Directions Update	Jane Lower, Superintendent of Education shared an update with the committee regarding the Four Directions program and the focus of grad coaches in the high schools at this time.  All members' questions were addressed.	Jane Lower
6.	New Business		
	6.1 Timing of Meeting	Co-chair Heather Harris asked for feedback regarding the timing of meetings and the possibility of evening meetings in the future.  All members' questions were addressed.	Heather Harris
	6.2 Terms of Reference for Miiniwewinan	Co-chair Heather Harris asked members to work in groups to help create Miiniwewinan terms of reference which is a requirement of every committee of the Board.	Heather Harris
7.	Ongoing Business		
	7.1 Anishnaabemowin Revitalization Update	Anika Guthrie, Anishnaabemowin Revitalization Coordinator shared different resources that have been purchased to help with language and literacy.  All members' questions were addressed.	Anika Guthrie
	7.2 Community Update	Tanya Moses, FNMI Partnership Coordinator, shared an update about activities she is involved in and initiatives she is working on.	Tanya Moses
8.	Information and Inquiries		
9.	Closing	Elder Melissa Roberts closed the meeting.	
10.	Next Meeting	Thursday, December 19, 2024	
11.	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.	