



Maskwacis Education Schools Commission

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MESC Board of Governors Meeting

November 16, 2021

MESC Governance and Training Centre (Former Maskwacis Outreach)

Google Meet- meet.google.com/xxs-rsco-tek

Chairperson: Dr. Shauna Bruno
Board Members: John Nepoose (Google Meet), Jerry Saddleback Jr (Google Meet), Councillor Tyler Makinaw (Google Meet), Randal Potts (Google Meet), Councillor Mario Swampy (Google Meet), Chief Irvin Bull (Google Meet- joined 3:37pm), Councillor Chase Rabbit (Google Meet- joined 3:56pm)
Staff: Brian Wildcat, Trina Vy (Google Meet), Randy Risto (Google Meet), Tracy Sylvester (Google Meet)
Recorder: Jenn Nepoose

1. Meeting called to order 3:20pm

Opening prayer

2. Adopt agenda

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno

Discussion:

- a. Move High School Realignment up and remove vaccination rates.

Decision: Moved by Jerry Saddleback Jr., seconded by Randal Potts all in favour

3. Adopt minutes

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno

Discussion:

- a. Business arising from minutes
 - i. Discussion on letter from Minister LaGrange. No response needed.

Decision: Moved by Randal Potts, moved by Jerry Saddleback Jr., all in favour

Do not have a quorum, will continue for information purposes.

4. Jr./Sr. High School Realignment

Presenter: Keith MacQuarrie

Discussion:

- a. Review presentation
- b. Do not have low student enrollment, realigning the programs will provide focused and consistent programming for both grade groups.
- c. Looking into keeping the junior high programs at Kisipatnahk and Meskanahk Kanipawit as an option.
- d. Will allow for more options in sports and a variety of courses such as industrial arts. This will lead to student retention.



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- e. Discussion on bringing people together from each Nation.
- f. Staff will be reassigned, this will be included in the implementation plan.
- g. A consultation session will be held for leadership, parents and students.
- h. The Board will make the decision on this project in December.
- i. Have received support from the Principals and the Circle of Elders.

5. Ownership Linkage

a. COVID Response (vaccination policy) Update

Presenter: Brian Wildcat

Discussion:

- i. Review school closures and positive cases on-site while infectious.
- ii. Only 1 in-school transmission since September 2, 2021.
- iii. Review number of staff that have tested positive since September 2, 2021.
- iv. Review staff vaccination stats.
- v. Discussion on deadlines outlined in the vaccination policy.
- vi. MESC conducts our own contact tracing that is verified by MHS.
- vii. No hospitalizations reported amongst MESC students and staff.

b. Update from Circle of Elders

Presenter: John Nepoose

Discussion:

- i. High School Realignment project was presented to the Circle. All elders in attendance are in support or realigning the programs.
- ii. The circle has identified Larry Cutarm to sit on the food sovereignty project.
- iii. Will email the letter of support for the vaccine policy to the Chair.

6. Board Education, Presentations, and Discussion

a. Summit agenda and presentation assignment

Presenter: Brian Wildcat

Discussion:

- i. Review agenda.
- ii. Discussion on attendance, strategies and what will be presented at the summit.
- iii. Update on bussing.
 1. Still short on drivers.
 2. Discussion on communication with parents.
- iv. Include Maskwacis representatives to the agenda for opening and closing remarks.
- v. Include Helen and John for closing remarks and invocation.

b. Annual Report

Presenter: Brian Wildcat

Discussion:

- i. Review results presentation.
- ii. Request for general health and safety report on MESC buildings.
- iii. Photos for the annual report will be taken at the summit.

c. Public Schools Boards Association of Alberta

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno



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Discussion:

- i. TABLE
- ii. Need to discuss differences between trustees and Board governors.
- iii. Invitation for the conference is open, respond to email if interested in attending.

7. Items for decision

a. Select new Board committee members

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno

Discussion:

- i. TABLE. Do not have a quorum to make a decision today. Will meet at the summit to decide on the committees.

b. Maskwacis Food Bank donations

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno

Discussion:

- i. Leave as an administrative decision.
- ii. Suggestion to increase the amount to \$1,500.00/food bank.

8. Monitoring Board Performance

Presenter: Dr. Shauna Bruno

Discussion:

a. Board self evaluation

- i. Review evaluation summary.
- ii. Board did well on making decisions that were in the best interest of student safety during the pandemic.
- iii. Goal in the new year to have a facilitated evaluation.

b. Content Review of EL-5: Asset Protection

- i. Consider presenting MESC BOG policies to the leadership.
- ii. No changes to the policy.

c. Content Review of EL-11: Curriculum

- i. No changes

d. Content Review of GP-1: Governing Style

- i. No changes

e. Internal Report of GP-7.2: Ownership Linkage Committee TOR

- i. Schedule a committee meeting

9. Adjourn

Dr. Shauna Bruno - Chairperson

Date