



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE:	September 20, 2022
START TIME:	2:30 pm
END TIME:	5:35 pm
LOCATION:	MESC Governance and Training Centre
CHAIRPERSON:	Dr. Shauna Bruno
MESC BOARD:	Elliott Young, Debra Strongman-Omeasoo, Ilene Nepoose-Cardinal, John Nepoose, Allison Adams-Bull, Councillor Chase McDougall, Councillor Mario Swampy (arrived 3:26pm)
MESC STAFF:	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester, Dr. Brian Wildcat, Trina Vy
RECORDER:	Jenn Nepoose

1. Adopt Agenda

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add MCC building committee meeting, all staff breakfast and reporting to Chief and Council. - Add motion to approve locally developed programs.
DECISION:	- Moved by Ilene, seconded by Elliott, all in favour.

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:

2. Adopt August 23, 2022 Minutes

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	- Review for accuracy and transparency as the notes are posted on the MESC website.
DECISION:	- Moved by Elliott, seconded by Ilene, all in favour.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Junior and Senior high transition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No feedback on the names of the new schools. o Enrollment is higher than expected for both the junior high and high school. Approx 360 at the high school and approx. 405 at the junior high school. o Will be hiring more teachers to accommodate the increase in nominal roll. o Questions regarding registration should be forwarded to the school or Superintendent. o Look into budget at the schools for promo items.
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ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:



TRACY	Provide stats on teacher retention.	October 18, 2022
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3. Update from the Circle of Elders

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A

DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction from Belinda Lightning and her role with distributing and reporting information. - Once all the Elders have joined the Circle, they will select the 2 Board representatives for this term and committee members for the year. - Looking into involving the Elders in the school more and hosting a planning session for the Circle. - Concern from the Circle of Elders on follow up from their recommendations.
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ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
TRACY SWAMPY-SYLVESTER	Develop format for reporting between the Board and the Circle of Elders.	October 18, 2022

4. School visits

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Tracy Swampy-Sylvester
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A

DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review proposed schedule. - More information will be added - Dates will be emailed to the Board.
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ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
TRACY SWAMPY-SYLVESTER	Confirm visits with Principals and email details to the Board.	ASAP

5. Board compensation

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A

DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review comparison on Board compensation to similar school districts. - Discussion on rate of inflation and roles and responsibilities of the MESC Board of Governors. - Only deduction on voting member salary is pension. - Board has authority in the law to determine reasonable compensation. - Link board duties to compensation rates. - Need to discuss penalties for not attending Board meetings.
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6. MCC Building Committee

TIME ALLOCATION:	15 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Committee meeting on September 27th. - May be discussing the land allocation and ways to work together on new capital. - Ilene will attend on behalf of the MESC Board.

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
JENN NEPOOSE	Send meeting information to Ilene.	ASAP

7. Board reporting to Chief and Council

TIME ALLOCATION:	15 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication between Board members and Chief and Council needs to improve. - Suggestion to create a 1-2 page highlight. - Board meeting notes can be used to report to leadership. - Suggestion to host the summit bi-annually rather than annually. - Suggestion for Nation reps to do a quarterly report on what is happening in the schools. - Need direction on what needs to be reported. - Reports to leadership need to be consistent. - Principals will be reporting school results at the Board school visits. - Avoid comparing a school against another. Goal is to build up all schools.
DECISION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nation reps will meet with their Chief and Council in October. - Admin will prepare data to be presented. Focus in the new schools and Nehiyawatsiwin.

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:

8. Funding amendment procedure

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - During COVID the procedure changed to an email process and having all Board members reply for confirmation. - Need to clarify the procedure for approving amendments moving forward. Either continuing with the email process or signing a paper copy.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Include all information for any amendment in the email. - Majority of the Board is required to accept the amendment. Questions on the amendment can be emailed to Trina. - ISC had implemented the email process. 	
DECISION:	- Continue	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:

9. Course registration

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min	
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A	
DISCUSSION:	-	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:

10. A. Monitoring Board performance- EL-10: Student Transportation

TIME ALLOCATION:	2 min	
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno	
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A	
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vehicles and drivers must meet insurance requirements. MESC Transportation Coordinator oversees insurance and inspections on MESC vehicles. - Reasonable ride time is 1 hour. Times may vary with transfer stations. - Policy applies to MESC bus routes. Bus routes contracted out abide by provincial standards. 	
DECISION:	- Policy still applies, no changes.	
ACTION ITEMS		
ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
TRACY SWAMPY-SYLVESTER	Raise the concern of ride times with the contractor to discuss possibility of restructuring routes to keep ride times.	
TRACY SWAMPY-SYLESTER	Follow up on procedure with the bus contractor for vehicle inspections.	

9. B. Monitoring Board performance- GP-3: Board Job Contribution

DISCUSSION:	- Clarification on "job products" as policies, documents and reports.
DECISION:	No evidence requested.

9. C. Monitoring Board performance- GP-10: Investment in Board Governance

DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on ICD course and membership. - Land based PD qualifies for Board PD.
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DECISION:	- Schedule 4:30 pm on October 4 th for PD plan.
9. D. Amendment To Policy GP-9, Guidelines For Virtual Attendance	
DISCUSSION:	- Board accepts the addition to the policy regarding virtual attendance.

10. Other business- All staff breakfast

TIME ALLOCATION:	5 min
PRESENTER(S):	Dr. Shauna Bruno
REFERENCE DOC:	N/A
DISCUSSION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Concern with having that many staff in one place.- Short staffed that day so the breakfast was late. Considering having the event catered next year.

ACTION ITEMS

ASSIGNED TO:	ACTION ITEM:	DEADLINE:
TRACY SWAMPY-SYLVESTER	Conduct a survey to get feedback from staff on effectiveness of the event.	