



Draft Minutes
Board Meeting Iqaluit
March 20 – 21, 2014

Board Present: Willie Nakoolak Chairperson
Johnny Ittinuar Treasurer - Nunavut Disabilities Society
Dennis Kuluguktuk Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated
Lori Idlout Iqaluit DEA
Mikidjuk Lyta
Noah Kautuq
Theo Ikummak

Regrets

Liza Ninguik Director
Seth Reinhart Commission scolaire francophone du Nunavut
Vacant Emeritus Member

Administration Nikki Eegeesiak Executive Director

1.0 Meeting was called to order at 9:30 prayer was done by Noah Kautuq. The Chairperson advised the members that Dennis Kuluguktuk is here for NTI because Cathy Towtongie and alternate Jeannie Arreak Kullualik are not available, Lori Idlout is here because the Chair and Vice Chair of IDEA were both not available. Liza is not attending the meetings because travel was not done by staff. Staff expected CSFN to attend the meetings.

Dennis asked if NTI had voting rights. Chairperson advised him that NTI had voting rights.

2.0 Welcome Remarks was done by Willie especially to the new members.

3.0 Oath of Office – The following new Members were sworn in.

Theo Ikkumaq
Noah Kautuq
Mikidjuk Lyta

4.0 14-10-#01 Approval of Agenda Abstained: 0 Against 0 **PASSED**

That the Agenda be approved as presented

Moved by: Johnny Ittinuar

Seconded by: Noah Kautuq

Chairperson advised the members that there would be a lunch hour meeting with the Minister of Education tomorrow.

5.0 14-03-# October 2013 Abstained: 0 Against 0 **PASSED**

That the minutes of October be approved as presented.

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Theo Ikummak

No comments or questions.

6.0 14-03-# Chairperson/Executive Director Report

Comments/Questions

Nikki apologized and was hoping to have a briefing note with the Goals and Objectives. Verbal presentation was presented.

In brief:

Noah asked about the second staff position. He commented that it is important for this position be staffed and to travel to communities and regions, especially to deliver board governance training for new members. Nikki stated that she is still waiting to move in with Nunavut Association of Municipalities where plans are in place to share a Office Administrator position and possibly another position in another region. She will keep the board informed. Mikidjuk Lyta wanted the AGM not to coincide with QIA AGM. Mikidjuk will send the dates of the QIA AGM meetings.

7.0 14-03-# Goals & Objectives

That the Chair report be approved as presented.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

8.0 14-03-# February Finance Statement

That the February financials be approved as presented.

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Johnny Ittinuar

Comments/Questions

Lori asked about bank charges, and book keeping fees. Nikki stated that

9.0 Board Governance

10.0 Social Passing – Anne Crawford

Meeting adjourned for the day at 3:45 pm

Meeting resumed at 9:35

11.0 Nominations opened for Vice Chairperson & Secretary position.

That the nominations for Chairperson & Secretary positions be opened

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Theo Ikummak

Willie Nakoolak nominated Theo Ikummak for Vice Chairperson. Theo accepted the nomination. Noah Kautak seconded the motion

Noah Kautak nominated Mikidjuk Lyta for Vice Chairperson. Mikidjuk accepted the nomination. Johnny Ittinuar seconded the motion.

Nominations be closed for Vice Chairperson & Secretary position.

That the nominations be closed for Chairperson & Secretary positions be opened

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Johnny Ittinuar

Nikki and Julia (translator) counted the votes. Results showed a tie, the Executive Director advised the Chairperson that he can break the tie. The Chairperson pulled a name out of a hat. Mikidjuk Lyta won by pulling a name out of the hat.

Lori Idlout nominated Theo Ikummak for Secretary position. Theo accepted his nomination. Johnny Ittinuar seconded the motion.

Lori Idlout requested nominations be closed.
Johnny Ittinuar seconded the motion.

No more nominations were received. Theo Ikummak is acclaimed for Secretary position.

If executive members can't be available, can the other board members represent their positions (?) Lori stated that there could be alternates. Since the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of IDEA is not here, she can be available to represent in Iqaluit.

12.0 Committee – Bylaw Review

Not covered

13.0 Coalition Work/Issues to present to the Minister of Education meeting tomorrow

Noah Kautak

- spring and summer school closures are too long
- DEA Contribution Agreements are not enough.
- Auditors & Book keepers (Nasajjiit) has a issue to pay them first before they actually start book keeping service

Willie:

- Nasajjiit (book keeping budget) of \$20,000.00 is very high.
- Office Managers are half time positions
- Quality of education issue
- Assessments – when are they being done?
- Regulations – reporting and planning.

- Operations Research
- Education Fund – Government of Nunavut, will be kept that way?
- DEAs are in deficit and need help

- Lori
- Accountability, DEA training, lapse funding, re-investment in education fund. \$1.2 million last year. Education Act Review process.
- April – Terms of Reference Education Act Review
- Standing Committee – Auditor General Report – April 1, 2 & 3 is coming up
- Communication – RSO
- No Consultations from Education– i.e. the Press Release, the department always says at the AGM’s that they want good communication. After the AGM, they forget about us. Good example is yesterday’s press release where education announced that Ajuatatit Program will be an option and not a requirement of Grade 12. DEAs are responsible to ensure that IQ is used in school programs, than education turns around and makes it an option without any consultations.

Kathy Okpik

We can do quarterly updates with board members, teleconference with the Coalition. .

Other Business:

Lori would like the coalition to issue a letter to all Nunavut DEAs that they do have authority to recommend or not recommend the hiring or extend Principal Schools contracts and a letter stating what suspensions of students.

14.0 B13-09-# Date of next meeting

Abstained: 0 Against 0 **PASSED**

Administration will set the next meeting in November.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

15.0 B12-10#6 Adjournment

Abstained: 0 Against 0 **PASSED**

That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Mikidjuk Lyta

Seconded by: Lori Idlout