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Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 5:00 pm at the Aboriginal Centre, 310-181 Higgins Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Present: Damon Johnston (Chair), Marileen Bartlett, Jessica Dumas, Ron Brown, Carol Gushulak (Staff), Wade Parke (Staff)

Regrets: Travis Bighetty, Sam Lavallee, Jordan Molaro

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:29 p.m. by President, Damon Johnston.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda dated January 9, 2014 was reviewed by the Board of Directors.

Motion: 01.14.01

That the agenda dated January 9, 2014 be accepted.

Ron Brown, Marileen Bartlett

Carried

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The minutes dated September 12, 2013 was presented to the Board for review.

Motion: 01.14.02

That the minutes dated September 12, 2013 be accepted.

Marileen Bartlett, Ron Brown

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

No business arising.

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5. TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial reports dated September 30, 2013, October 31, 2013, November 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013 was presented to the Board for review.

Motion: 01.14.03

That the Financial Reports dated September 30, 2013, October 31, 2013, November 3, 2013 and December 31, 2013 be accepted.

Marileen Bartlett, Jessica Dumas

Carried

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's Report dated January 9, 2014 was provided to the Board for review. President, Damon Johnston provided information and clarification on issues including:

Tripartite

- Next fiscal year funding update
- ACW WorkPlan draft
- Follow up letter with Minister Shelley Glover

Portfolios

Youth

- Informed the Board of ACW's initiative with Congress of Aboriginal Peoples (CAP) on project "Find Your Voice".

It was agreed that the President will forward the information on "Find Your Voice" project.

Economic Development

- Mother Earth Update

Education

- Update on the Aboriginal School division Steering Committee issues.
- Information on North Star project.

Woman

- Update on Manitoba Moon Voice organization

Other Issues

Building Organizational Capacity

- Update on Deloitte project including future meetings and interviews that are scheduled.

Term Position

- The Board was introduced to new staff Wade Parke who is on a term position with ACW working with the President on research and projects

President's Report Cont'd

Community Plan

- The Board was informed that Consultant, Harry Finnigan had completed the first report and will now be starting on the second phase.

It was agreed that the President will send the TARP report to the Board via email.

Restorative Justice Project with Onashowewin

- Update on joint project with Onashowewin

At this time, the President asked the Board to forward their ideals on what projects they would like ACW to undertake under ACW's portfolio categories.

Motion: 01.14.04

That the President's Report dated January 9, 2014 be accepted as information.

Marileen Bartlett, Ron Brown

Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Appointment of Directors

The Board had a discussion on filling the three vacant positions for Director. The Board was asked to invite someone that might be interested in becoming a Director. The Board was also informed that Jordan Molaro was appointed Director via telephone.

Motion: 01.14.05

That Jordan Molaro be appointed as ACW Director with term ending at next AGM.

Marileen Bartlett, Ron Brown

Carried

Motion: 01.14.06

That Jessica Dumas serve as "Secretary" on the ACW's Executive Board.

Ron Brown, Marileen Bartlett

Carried

b) By-Law Amendments

The Board had a discussion on the required number of signatures required for election nomination forms. **It was agreed that the existing 25 required signatures for Director's nomination forms be removed but the signatures for the President position still remain.**

The By-Law amendment will be presented to the lawyer and a new By-Law draft that will be incorporated and presented to the members at next AGM for approval.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be determined at a later date, once determined the Board will be notified via email.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 01.14.07

That the meeting be adjourned.

Jessica Dumas

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.