

**METIS NATION OF SASKATCHEWAN - Eastern Region III
Annual Meeting
October 19, 1996
Lebret Metis Farm, Lebret, SK**

Leebert Poitras, Area Director, ERIII called meeting to order.

Leebert opened nominations for Chairperson

Lawrence major nominated Wilf Blondeau
Ralph Blondeau moved nominations cease.

Wilf Blondeau is meeting Chairperson by acclamation.

MOTION #1:

JOE PERREAULT, Local #87, moved to adopt agenda as amended. Seconded by LAWRENCE MAJOR, Local #6. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Minutes were read of the March 25, 1995 Annual meeting.

Wilf Blondeau asked if there were any errors or omissions. None.

MOTION #2:

VINCE FOLK , Local #52, moved to adopt the minutes as read. Seconded by JUNE BLONDEAU. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Item #4. - Southeastern Metis Development Report - Dale Robison, Manager
Introduced staff and Board. Project and Seat Purchase updates were given.

MOTION #3:

LAWRENCE MAJOR , Local #6, moved to accept SMD Report. Seconded by AL FOLK, Balcarres Local #52. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Kapachee Training Centre - Laura Ross, Coordinator. Current program running at Kapachee, new staff hired. Parent Effectiveness Training. Plan to have a teacher effectiveness training. Kapachee Training Centre Annual meeting to be held in November. Staff and Board members were mentioned.

Thanks was given to staff of all affiliates for their work in supporting the Area by Leebert Poitras.

MOTION #4:

LAWRENCE MAJOR, Local #6, moved to accept Kapachee Report. Seconded by BEV WORSLEY, Local #103. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Lebret Farmland Foundation report - Ralph Blondeau, Chairperson. Houses are updated and repaired. All houses are occupied. \$7,000 was spent on houses this year.

MOTION #5:

BONNIE SERWATKEWICH, Local #6, moves to accept Lebret Farmland Foundation report. Seconded by MARY ANN CAMERON, Local #48. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Metis women were asked by Leebert Poitras to get involved in the Metis Women of Saskatchewan.

Bonnie Start - Metis Employment and Training report. Four employees are employed in the provincial office. Background of Pathways was given, started in 1991 - 1996 five year agreement. New agreement - Regional Bilateral Agreement is now in process. Draft was given to HRDC and given back to us as Draft #7. A meeting is scheduled next Wednesday, an agreement will hopefully be signed in near future. Our portion is 32% of the funding.

MOTION #6:

BONNIE SERWATKEWICH, Local #6, moves we accept Metis Employment and Training report. Seconded by RALPH BLONDEAU, Local #48. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Wilf Blondeau commented on the RBA and the Metis Nation.
Lebret Metis Days Report - Leebert Poitras. A grant was obtained for \$2,000.
Lebret Metis Days was run smoothly with very little money and a little bit of money was made. Plans are being made for next year.

Metis Legislative Assembly report was given by Leebert Poitras. A general assembly is being held November 30, 1996 in Saskatoon. Locals are asked to fundraise to send delegates.

Bonnie Serwatkewich asked what is happening with our recycling plant. Pauline Cowen, SMD Community Development worker, commented that the paper prices have dropped drastically. Hopefully, it will be looked at next year when prices climb and if it is feasible.

Draw for afghan - Michelle Harding is the winner.

Ralph Blondeau discussed situation with the Lebret Farmland. There was a lot of discussion on this matter;

- grave concerns by the assembly
- certain members of this Area had seized bank account and falsified corporation documents.
- concern over hospitalization number cards.

MOTION #7:

VINCE FOLK moved to suspend the MNS memberships of Maurice Martin - Local #48, Chris Perry - Local #87; and John McNab - Punnichy, SK from accessibility to any and all Metis activities of Eastern Region III for a period of 3 years. Seconded by BONNIE SERWATKEWICH. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Wilf Blondeau made comments to support our leadership and each other to progress.

MOTION #8:

BONNIE SERWATKEWICH moved to ratify a motion made by the Regional Council of ERIII that any one person can sit on only one affiliate Board within the Region effective after each affiliate annual meeting is held. Seconded by BEV WORSLEY. 1 opposed - Bev McKinnon. CARRIED.

MOTION #9:

BEV WORSLEY moved that only a maximum of two Presidents sit on each affiliate Board within Eastern Region III effective after each affiliate annual meeting. Seconded by JUNE BLONDEAU. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Nominations for Metis Wildlife Committee:

AL FOLK nominates VINCE FOLD (stands)
 BONNIE SERWATKEWICH nominates CLIFF SERWATKEWICH (stands)
 BEV WORSLEY moves nominations cease.

MOTION #10:

BONNIE SERWATKEWICH moved that the two nominees share the responsibility of the Metis Wildlife committee. Seconded by BEV WORSLEY. ALL IN FAVOR. CARRIED.

Nominations for Gabriel Dumont Institute Board:

JUNE BLONDEAU nominates SHIELA HALA (stands)
 BEV WORSLEY nominates GEORGETTE RAAB (declines)
 LAWRENCE MAJOR moves nominations cease.
SHIELA HALA is in by acclamation.

Nominations for Metis Family Justice Board:

AL FOLK nominates JUNE BLONDEAU (stands)
 CECILE LAROSE nominates MARLENE FAYANT (declines)
 RALPH BLONDEAU moves nominations cease.
JUNE BLONDEAU in by acclamation.

Nominations for Metis Addictions Council:

LEONA POITRAS nominates MARY ANN CAMERON.
 RALPH BLONDEAU moves nominations cease.
MARY ANN CAMERON in by acclamation.

MOTION #11:

RALPH BLONDEAU moved to adjourn meeting at 4:20.

Minutes Recorded and said to be correct:
 BEVERLY MCKINNON, SECRETARY/TREASURER ERIII