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First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Advisory Committee Minutes Microsoft Teams June 26, 2023 – 12:15pm CST

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Lehman, Trustee (alternate); Heather Campbell, Director of Education; Kim Kirk, Indigenous Education Leader; Senator Brian Gouliquer, Atikokan Métis Council; Dan Bird, Vice-Principal - Fort Frances High School; Ashlee Grimard, Fort Frances Tribal Health Area Services; Pam King, Vice-Principal - Crossroads School; Anne-Marie Armstrong, Sunset Country Métis Council; Tracy Jensen, United Native Friendship Centre

STAFF: Casey Bye, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Brent Tookenay, Seven Generations Education Institute; Terry McMahon, Indigenous Grad Coach, Fort Frances High School; Tammy Ryll, First Nation Trustee; Erika Jourdain, Weechi-It-te-Win Family Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Dan Bird at 12:29pm CST.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the April 24th, 2023, FNMI Education Advisory Committee meeting were confirmed by consensus.

5. Unfinished Business

a) Self-Identification Data Follow Up

Kim Kirk, Indigenous Education Leader, shared the self-identification rates across the Board. Upon registration, students or parents are asked if they would like to voluntarily self-identify. Self-Identification forms will be made available for new registrations at UNFC.

6. New Business

a) Graduation Rates

(Reference: 5-Year Graduation Rates)

Heather Campbell, Director of Education, provided a summary of graduation rates over the past five years and the changes that the Board is seeing.

b) Terms of Reference

Director Campbell led the group though a draft of the Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference, a document created to assist new members to understand the mandate of the Committee. Identified changes are:

- removing "Ad Hoc"
- changing "approved" to "confirmed" under item 6b
- adding general criteria or expectations for member updates

The Terms of Reference will highlight that the primary focus is on First Nation, Métis, and Inuit student success as well as Indigenous Education.

7. Correspondence

a) Policies for Stakeholder Consultation

Committee members were provided with the policy that is currently out for stakeholder review and were asked to forward any feedback to Marni McDonald by Monday, June 26, 2023. All feedback will be brought to the attention of the Policy Committee.

8. Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting will be at 12:15pm on Monday, September 25th, 2023.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:26pm CST.