

**ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS
SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY
ON EDUCATION**



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OF
ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS**

**May 30 – June 1, 2006
Dakota Tipi First Nation**

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DAKOTA TIPI FIRST NATION
MAY 30 - JUNE 1, 2006**

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

MAY-06.01

**RE: SPECIAL EDUCATION REGIONAL MANAGEMENT
ORGANIZATION**

Moved by:

Chief Cornell Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Chris Baker
O-Pipon-Na-Piwin Cree Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs established the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre (MFNERC) in 1999 to provide services in regards to research, curriculum development, technology, professional development and special education; and,

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-in-Assembly passed a resolution in May 2000 to support a multi-year work plan and budget for the MFNERC; and,

WHEREAS, the MFNERC has been co-ordinating the provision of indirect special education services and training for education specialists including speech and language pathologists, resource teachers and teacher aides; and

WHEREAS, the business case for the Treasury Board submission on special education has referenced that the MFNERC may serve as the Regional Management Organization (RMO) for Special Education.

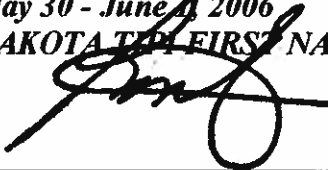
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct that the MFNERC mandate should be expanded to include serving as the Regional Managing Organization for Special Education and arranging for training for more First Nation education specialists including school psychologists, reading clinicians and other education staff needed for a comprehensive, high quality and culturally-relevant education system, while ensuring individual First Nations leadership who wish to continue using the direct service delivery of INAC Special Education Services will not be impacted.

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MAY-06.03

RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION ACTION PLAN

Moved by:

Chief Linda Twoheart
Sagkeeng First Nation

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs has convened a Working Group to build a business case to access more education monies for the Manitoba Region; and

Seconded by:

Chief Chris Baker
O-Pipon-Na-Piwin Cree Nation

WHEREAS, Manitoba First Nations have one of the highest proportions of youth under the age of 30 compared to other First Nations in Canada and currently represent approximately 18% of the national on-reserve elementary and secondary school population; and

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the education indices have shown that Manitoba First Nations had achieved lower scores compared with other regions across Canada based on the 2001 Aboriginal Peoples' Survey.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly confirm their support for the development of the draft Education Action Plan.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Working Group to continue with development of the Education Action Plan taking into consideration the recent Federal Budget which will provide less than 10% in new funding from the Kelowna Accord commitments for First Nations education; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the revised Education Action Plan be provided for additional feedback to First Nation Education Directors in Manitoba with the final copy provided for review and further discussion by the Chiefs-in-Assembly.

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MAY-06.04

**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS POST-SECONDARY
INSTITUTE**

Moved by:

Chief David Crate
Fisher River Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Marcel Balfour
Norway House Cree Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-in-Assembly passed a resolution supporting the establishment of a First Nations Post-Secondary Institute in 1993 followed by another resolution in 2001, supporting the establishment of a First Nation Trades and Technology Institute; and

WHEREAS, there are now close to 30 First Nation-controlled post-secondary institutions in Canada with other provinces that have similar First Nation populations as Manitoba having between two to ten different institutions; and

WHEREAS, approximately 60% of the members of First Nations communities in Manitoba are youth under the age of 30 who require training to become a part of their local First Nation and Manitoba economy; and

WHEREAS, recent population projections have shown that 3 out of 10 children in Manitoba will be of either First Nations or Métis ancestry by 2017.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly confirm their support for the Manitoba First Nations Post-Secondary Institute with a mandate to provide training incorporating First Nation languages, philosophies and cultures in addition to academic and skills content; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly support the MFNPSI Working Group in meeting with the Manitoba Council on Post-Secondary Education, universities, colleges, government bodies and funding agencies to explore options for partnerships, resources and accreditation.

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MAY-06.05

**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS DISABILITY MULTI-
SECTORAL WORKING GROUP TERMS OF
REFERENCE AND STRATEGIC PLAN**

Moved by:

Chief Linda Twoheart
Sagkeeng First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ken Whitecloud
Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-in-Assembly passed two motions in March 2001 calling for the development of a strategy for program and policy change for First Nations with a disability and a strategy for the particular needs of First Nations children with disabilities and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, with the assistance of the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre, has established a Multi-Sectoral Working Group to develop a strategic plan to address the needs of on- and off-reserve persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the Working Group also includes the federal departments of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Health Canada and the provincial ministries of Disabilities, Health, Education, Citizenship and Youth, Aboriginal and Northern Affairs, Healthy Living, Family Services and Housing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly formally endorse the terms of reference and continued partnership approach with the federal and provincial partners in the development of a strategic plan to facilitate the development of a service delivery model for First Nations persons with disabilities in Manitoba; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that regular reports be provided to the AMC Executive Council and Chiefs-in-Assembly on the development of the strategic plan and service delivery model.

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MAY-06.08

RE: FIRST NATION LANGUAGE STRATEGY IN MANITOBA

Moved by:

Chief Robert Maytwayashing
Lake Manitoba First Nation

WHEREAS, a provincial survey on First Nation language use in Manitoba First Nation communities was conducted in 1999 which confirmed the seriousness of intergenerational loss; and

Seconded by:

Chief Cornell Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

WHEREAS, only two First Nation languages are expected to survive in Canada - Cree and Ojibway; and

CARRIED

WHEREAS, three First Nation languages in Manitoba are endangered - Dakota, Dene, Oji-Cree.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly support the language initiatives being conducted in First Nation communities in partnership with the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre including language immersion, training and curriculum development; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that First Nation communities in Manitoba be supported in accessing funding for community-based language initiatives; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC develop options for development of First Nation language laws.

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MAY-06.09

RE: POST SECONDARY EDUCATION FUNDING CAP

Moved by:

Chief Clarence Easter
Chemawawin Cree Nation

WHEREAS, inflation rates continue to increase in Canada; and

Seconded by:

Chief David McDougall
St. Theresa Point First Nation

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nation post secondary education funding has not increased based on inflation and has remained capped since 1988; and

CARRIED

WHEREAS, a resolution was previously passed by the Chiefs-in-Assembly in August 1991 on this same issue; and

WHEREAS, there is a national post secondary review currently underway by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) direct the federal government to increase post secondary education funding to reflect the increased inflation rates and population growth in Canada; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct INAC to remove the capping of post secondary funds immediately.

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MAY-06.11

**RE: CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE MANITOBA FIRST
NATIONS EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTRE (MFNERC)**

Moved by:

Chief David Crate
Fisher River First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Murray Clearsky
Waywayseecappo First Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre (MFNERC) was created in 1999 and endorsed by the Chiefs-in-Assembly in May 2000 to provide second and third level services for First Nation schools in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre has provided much needed support for the quality and relevancy of First Nations education, which will help improve educational outcomes for First Nations students in First Nation communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly confirm continued support for the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre with the focus on equitable services for all First Nation schools to assist in the implementation of a quality, culturally-relevant education system; and

FINALLY BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Nation leaders in Manitoba receive quarterly and biannual reports in addition to the Annual Reports from the MFNERC Board of Directors to ensure better communication.

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MAY-06.12

**RE: INDIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES TASK FORCE
REPORT**

Moved by:

Chief Robert Maytwayashing
Lake Manitoba First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Cornell Pashe
Dakota Tipi First Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the “*Aboriginal Languages and Cultures Task Force Report*” was completed in June 2005, confirming the need for more Immersion Language Education and Second Language Programs; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force Report makes specific recommendations focusing on:

- The link between languages and land;
- Promotion of traditional knowledge;
- Legislative recognition protection and promotion, and
- Equitable resources for language support.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly endorse the recommendations relating to Dakota, Dene, Ojibway, Cree and Oji-Cree languages in the Report of the Task Force on Aboriginal Languages and Cultures; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a letter be sent by AMC Grand Chief to the Minister of Canadian Heritage confirming support for the Dakota, Dene, Ojibway, Cree and Oji-Cree language initiative and calling for reinstatement of the remaining \$160 Million for language initiatives.

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MAY-06.13

**RE: REVIEW OF MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION
RESOURCE CENTRE (MFNERC)**

Moved by:

Chief Roger Ross
Manto Sipi Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Chris Baker
O-Pipon-Na-Piwin Cree Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-in-Assembly have passed resolution MAY-06.11 entitled Re: Continued Support for the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre (MFNERC) confirming support for the MFNERC with a focus on providing equitable services for all First Nation schools to assist in the implementation of a quality, culturally relevant education system; and

WHEREAS, the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO) has expressed support for second and third level services but are concerned with the apparent lack of quality and equitable services provided to its member First Nation communities by the MFNERC.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly support a review of the current structure and mandate of the MFNERC with a view to realigning and strengthening the structure and services to enhance the services provided to the North and other isolated communities within a six month period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly establish a Chiefs Review Committee to ensure quality services on an equitable basis; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the "Chiefs Review Committee" to take into consideration all evaluation reviews of the MFNERC conducted to date.

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MAY-06.16

RE: SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL RAILWAY BLOCKADE

Moved by:

Chief Terry Nelson
Roseau River Anishinabe Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Morris Shannacappo
Rolling River First Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation will initiate a railway blockade on Thursday, June 29th at 4 p.m. and will end on Friday, June 30th at 4 p.m. to force the Canadian government to establish a reasonable time-frame for settlement of land claims; and

WHEREAS, the purpose is to send a message to the federal government and all Canadians that resource wealth of our lands are what supports every Canadian; and

WHEREAS, Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation is asking for other First Nations to support in a national railway blockade to demand an answer from Canada.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly support the one-day blockade by the Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation.

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MAY-06.20

RE: DISTRIBUTION OF GAMING REVENUES

Moved by:

Chief David Crate
Fisher River Cree Nation

WHEREAS, the issue of gaming revenues impacts all First Nations and should be discussed by the Chiefs-in-Assembly prior to a final decision being made; and

Seconded by:

Chief Harvey Nepinak
Skownan First Nation

WHEREAS, the issue of gaming revenues requires a full, complete and comprehensive discussion on all aspects.

CARRIED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all issues related to gaming be brought back to the Annual General Assembly in August 2006, for discussion and further direction.

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MAY-06.21

RE: TUBERCULOSIS (TB) IN MANITOBA

Moved by:

Chief David Harper
Garden Hill First Nation

WHEREAS, there has been a high incidence of TB in Manitoba, particularly in the Island Lake area; and

Seconded by:

Chief Ronald Harper
Wasagamack First Nation

WHEREAS, Health Canada and the Government of Canada in general, have an obligation to assist all community members wherever they reside in addressing this crisis.

CARRIED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly support Garden Hill First Nation's request for immediate TB screening for the whole community of Garden Hill.

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