

## **Nova Metis Heritage Association**

### **Annual General Meeting – Saturday, February 21, 2015**

At: Surrey Nature Centre – 14125 Green Timbers Way, Surrey, BC

Meeting started at 1 PM until 4 PM

### **MINUTES**

1. Call meeting to order: at 1:33pm
2. Opening PRAYER by Harland Coles
3. Appointments of the Meeting. Minute taker Amber Geremia
4. Agenda accepted by vote.
5. Introduction of board members and special guests. Guests- David Doyle and Keith Henry
6. Reading of previous AGM minutes by Ken Fisher. Approval of minutes. Motion to accept previous minutes by Anthony Krilow, seconded by Sharon Eyford.
7. President's – Annual Report on Activities. Ken gave a brief overview of the office activities and the radio show. Ken discussed the collaborative events with BCMF. NOVA was at the Surrey Fusion festival and attended a Remembrance Day event. Sd36- Ken and Anthony were supposed to do a presentation, however only 1 person attended due to a last minute venue change. The next meeting with SD36 will be on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
8. Treasurer Report – Financial, Fiscal Year in review\*. Financial report handed out. Please see office for details
9. Director Reports
  - Sharon Eyford- Sharon now holds a position as an elder on SD36. Sharon gave an update of what she has been doing with the *Spirit of The Elders* program.
  - Kerry Marion-Kerry gave a Women's and Aboriginal sport update. She said she will be sending out emails shortly regarding upcoming events.
  - Anthony Krilow-Anthony is still working on completing the database for members. Anthony currently sits on the SD36 Aboriginal student council as a parent. Anthony gave an update on the VIA sport application.
  - Harland Coles- Harland is still working on the NOVA constitution and he is still offering tutoring at the office.
  - Youth report, Marley Krilow (youth representative)- See office copy for written report
10. Keith Henry (BCMF President)- Keith gave a brief BCMF report. Keith discussed the Michif language program that is currently happening. Kinder Morgan- Keith needs two delegates from NOVA to attend an information session on March 10<sup>th</sup>. BCMF is having a membership contest for signing up new members. MCMF is working on the services provided for Metis children and family services as well as Keith commented on the Daniels case. Keith Acknowledged Ken for his commitment on the MCMF board.
11. David Doyle-spoke about the exoneration of Louis Riel.

12. Motion: For Nova to support a symposium for the exoneration of Louis Riel event. Motion by Anthony Krilow and seconded by Sharon Eyford.

13. Election Time - of Nova Metis Directors for 2015-2016

- Mr. Norm Eyford to conduct election process.

Call for Nominations: President, 2 VP's, Secretary, and Treasurer & Directors. One-year term.

New Positions for 2015-2016

President- Ken Fisher

Vice President- Anthony Krilow

2<sup>nd</sup> V.P.- Harland Coles

BODs – Amber Geremia, Ronald Coles, Gordie Racette, James Henry, Kerry Marion, and Sharon Eyford.

14. New Business

President Fisher noted that NMHA will continue with community events over the next year. Although we have nothing specific at the moment, NHMA will continue to build capacity.

- BOD Harland Coles noted the ongoing success of the Michif language training.
- BOD Gordy Racette updated the group as to his next boxing match, which is in Nanaimo on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015. Gordy invites everyone to attend.
- BOD Anthony Krilow brought forward that he will try to determine how to build a "Youth Team" which may allow us to engage youth easier and would like to start planning our next AGM now with the view to having a community presence next year.

15. Date for next meeting: The next NMHA BOD meeting will be at the ABC restaurant on Fraser Highway on Sunday March 29, 2015. We will plan to eat at 11:00 and begin our meeting at 12:00.

Adjournment: at 4pm