

**Edkaagmik Nbiizh Neyaashiinigamiingninwag Edbendaagzijig Trust Meeting
April 30, 2013
Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Council Chambers**

Trustees:

Paul Jones	PRESENT
Cheryl Johnston	PRESENT
Michael Hills	PRESENT
Geewadin Elliott	PRESENT (TELEPHONE)
Beth Grace (Scotiitrust)	PRESENT

Election Discussion

Cheryl informed the Trustees that the date of the Chief and Council election has been changed from July 19, 2013 to August 2, 2013. The Trustees discussed changing the date of the Trustee election to correspond with the General Election.

The new dates will be May 17, 2013 to post the notices in the community, on the website and on Facebook; June 20, 2013 for the Nomination Meeting and August 2nd for the election.

Beth arranged for the Election and Nomination meeting to be held at the Economic Development Office.

MOTION 2013-11

Motion to change the election date for the Elected Trustees to August 2, 2013 to match the General Election date.

Moved: Michael Hills
Seconded: Cheryl Johnston
In Favour: Geewadin Elliott
Scotiitrust
Opposed: Paul Jones
Motion Carried.

Beth will liaise with Martha Pedoniquotte to communicate the date change.

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Trustees reviewed and signed the Investment Management Agreements for Dixon Mitchell and Guardian Capital, the Investment Policy Statements and the T.E.Wealth Service Agreement, all previously approved.

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Discussion re the application process for proposals. The Trustees need to establish priorities, establish a scoring and evaluation process that uses a consistent point system with rationale attached.

Review of the Draft Handbook and Application for Funding Proposals highlighted the need to add a release signed by the applicant confirming the information contained is true and correct. Beth will amend the Draft document to reflect same.

Geewadin introduced and will forward to the Trustees a sample scoring sheet for review and customization.

The Trustees need to draft a procedure for projects that don't complete within a certain timeframe.

Geewadin introduced and will forward to the Trustees a powerpoint presentation covering the reviewing process.

When a project/proposal is approved, the Trustees should send out a letter that sets out the terms (include project ending and cancellation terms).

The Trustees discussed whether they will decide in advance what percentage of the available income to give each approved proposal or if the decision will be made until the applications are received. This requires further discussion.

Paul will ask Arlene Chegahno to share the Economic Development Office's guidelines for a resource.

The suggestion was made to divide the application from the handbook and to convert the handbook to "plain speak".

Michael will get a quote to convert the handbook to "plain speak". (Paul noted he has used a group called "Plain Speak" out of Toronto at 465 Euclid Avenue and that it is a free service.) Michael will ask them to look at the first 6 pages to produce an easy to understand handbook document.

The Trustees reviewed and made changes to the Handbook portion for final edit before sending it to the Plain Speak people.

Michael suggested, in the interest of transparency, the Trustees should inform the community of the expected 2013 income when the proposal process is introduced.

The Trustees agreed that the proposals should be documented with a Letter of Agreement that is to be signed by both parties. Terms to be decided on a project-by-project basis.

Successes can be memorialized and shared by photo ops, feedback, website updates – to highlight the benefits to the community.

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Website – Beth will follow up with Adrian for an update. Adrian had asked the Trustees which server they agreed upon – all Trustees agreed to use Black Sun per Adrian’s recommendation.

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Adjourn

Next Meeting: June 20, 2013, 1pm

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Trustees’ Signatures

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Geewadin Elliott

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Michael Hills

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Cheryl Johnston

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Paul Jones

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Scotiitrust, per Beth Grace

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