

October 17, 1995

Senator Vital Morin Chairperson of Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Senate



Dear Senator Morin:

Thank you for the minutes you provided to the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan (MNS) from your October 11, 1995 meeting. As MNS Provincial Secretary, I am very concerned with matters of protocol. Our Treasurer, Allan Morin, will contact you regarding financial matters. I wish to assure you that no member of the MNS Executive lacks respect for the Senate. We hold you in our hearts as builders of our Nation and honour you for your contributions.

We appreciate the fact that the Senate clerk, Earl Pelletier, should be contacted on matters relating to Senate activities. This will help us with logistics in future planning. I have for convenience sake, worked with Senator Nora Ritchie up to this point, as she is located in Saskatoon. Should I continue to work with her on citizenship matters? I will pass your concerns on to the Enumeration Minister, Mr. Robert Doucette, and his group. I am a member of the working committee.

Sincerely,

Lorna Docken

Provincial Secretary

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan

cc:

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Executive

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Senate

Mr. Robert Doucette, Minister of Enumeration



October 23, 1995

Senator Vital Morin
Chairperson of Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Senate



Dear Senator Morin:

We are in receipt of the minutes provided to the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan from the October 11, 1995 meeting of the Senators.

We are please to enclose a copy of the Financial Committee Minutes of December 21, 1994 meeting and the motion you refer to does not state any type of payment to be made to the Senators. Whereas the motion clearly refers Honorarium of \$200.00 per day makes specific reference to Area Directors.

We wish to advise you that the Executive of MNS have applied on two occasions to the Government of Saskatchewan, (Saskatchewan Indian and Metis Affairs Secretariat, SIMAS) for funding of the Metis Senators operations in the amount of \$150,000.00 in April and again just recently in October for \$81,075.00 to provide funding for the involvement of the Senate members in Enumeration, Elections Regulations and Guidelines etc. for the period November 1, 1995 to March 31, 1996. The budget which was presented in April was turned down by SIMAS.

We covered the costs for travel, meals and hotel accommodation for the Senate members and presidents, this is due to the limited funds available for the MLA. The financial situation the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan will take some time to resolve and it will require the cooperation of all Metis people to help correct the financial deficit and we make reference to MNS Administration, MNS Programs, MNS Affiliates, MNS Area Directors and MNS Staff.

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We enclose a financial statement of MNS which should explain our financial status we are now in.

Trusting this will clarify the financial matters.

Yours truly,

Allan Morin Treasurer

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan

cc: Senators, MNS

Jim Durocher, President, MNS

Lorna Docken, Provincial Secretary, MNS

Wilf Blondeau, CEO, MNS

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# METIS NATION OF SASKATCHEWAN SENATE

# Wednesday, October 11, 1995 / 2:30 p.m.

Attendance: Vital Morin, John Boucher, Nora Ritchie, Stan Durocher, Leo Amyotte, Ed

King, Rose Ledoux, Lawrence Martel, Earl Pelletier.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Introduction of prospective Senate for the Regina Region - Eugene Aubichon require Regional confirmation.

# **ISSUES:**

Lack of respect and protocol towards the Senators.

**MOTION #1:** 

The Senate members wish to remind the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan that a motion was passed at the December 1994 PMC meeting that the Senators were to be reimbursed at a rate of \$200.00 per diem for participating in any Metis Nation meeting.

\* Received today were expenses for meals and travel only.

**MOTION #2:** 

The Senate Clerk, Earl Pelletier, is to be involved in the planning of activities assigned to the Senate. Whereby proper notification and protocol will be adhered to.

MOTION #3:

As per the Metis Nation Constitution the role and responsibility of Senate include Membership, Enumeration and Elections.

\* A motion is required to involved the Senate and Enumeration Minister in administration of the Enumeration Program.

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# FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DECEMBER 21st,1994

PRESENT:

DON GASS

DELOITTE & TOUCHE
GRAHAM PEARSON

DELOITTE & TOUCHE

GERALD MORIN MNS
PHILIP CHARTIER MNS
MARTIN AUBICHON MNS
CLARENCE CAMPEAU MNS
BRUCE FLAMONT MNS

RYAN CALDER RECORDING SECRETARY

AGENDA:

#### HERITAGE CANADA

Philip Chartier called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. with all members in agreement with the agenda.

The Hetitage Canada Budget was discussed in detail to outline payments to the Area Directors and Executive for salaries and travel expenses.

#### MARTIN/CLARENCE:

That we secure an overdraft from the Bank of Nova Scotia for \$120,000.00 to be paid back from the \$325,000.00 coming from Heritage Canada.

CARRIED.

CLARENCE/MARTIN:

That and and be paid \$10,000.00 for the period ending December 31,1994 as budget adjustments.

CARRIED.

#### PHILIP/MARTIN:

That all Area Directors be paid \$7,500.00 for the period ending December 31ST,1994 as per budget adjustments.

CARRIED.

#### PHILIP/CLARENCE

Category #3 that \$12,000.00 be re-allocated from Executive Travel to Area Director Travel.

CARRIED.

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That the Area Directors receive \$200.00 per day HONORARIUM for PROVINCIAL METIS COUNCIL MEETINGS subject to change when salaries are re-established to a maximum of 20 days per month, this also includes FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

# CARRIED.

CLARENCE/PHILIP
That we authorize payment to for consulting services up to \$5,000.00.

CARRIED.

That we contract to co-ordinate the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly January 17,1995 for the sum of \$2,500.00.

CARRIED.

MARTIN/CLARENCE:
That we pay for the position of Accountant for OCTOBER, NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 1994 at the rate of \$2,150.00 per month.

CARRIED.

PHILIP ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 4:50 P.M.

# METIS NATION OF SASKATCHEWAN POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL Draft March 1994

POLICY CATEGORY: Financial Administration

ITEM:

Expense Claims

SUB-ITEM:

Honourarium

Policy Statement:

1. Officers or employees of affiliates who have lost a day's pay for conducting the business of the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan may receive an honourarium of \$100.00 per day.

# Procedure:

1. Claims for honouraria must be clearly indicated on an expense claim form.