



# BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

## Education Committee Minutes

Thursday, May 26, 2016 10:00 a.m.

Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: S. Bambridge (Chairperson), P. Bartlette,  
P. Bowslaugh (Alternate).  
M. Gustafson.

Regrets: G. Buri.

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Education Committee Meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Bambridge added one item to the agenda.

The agenda was approved as amended.

### 3. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Minutes from the Thursday, April 28, 2016 meeting were received as information.

### 4. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

#### A) Memorandum of Understanding – BUAPC & The City of Brandon

The Committee reviewed and discussed the BUAPC Memorandum of Understanding and Commitment of Participation documents. The Committee had no suggested changes and agreed to forward the BUAPC Memorandum of Understanding and Commitment of Understanding documents to the Board.

#### B) Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee

Trustee Bowslaugh provided background on suggested Policy & Procedures 1022 “Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee” updates and a review of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting that took place on May 12, 2016. Trustee Bowslaugh indicated that “Indigenous” was suggested by the Committee instead of Aboriginal, noting that the Manitoba Collaborative Education Blueprint uses Indigenous. The Committee discussed use of the words Native, Aboriginal and Indigenous.

The Committee made some minor changes to the suggested Procedure revisions and will return the information to the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee for further feedback.

#### C) École Harrison/French Immersion Kindergarten Registration - review

The Education Committee discussed and reviewed the French Immersion Kindergarten Registration Summary presented to the Board earlier by Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent. The Committee felt that at this point they would like to continue this process for next year. After that time, the potential of a survey was discussed. Suggestion was made to ask Principals of the three French

Immersion schools for any feedback they received from parents involved in the Kindergarten registration process.

**5. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS**

**A) Sub-Committee Reports**

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee

Discussed under 4. B).

Brandon Community Drug and Alcohol Coalition

May 12, 2016 – Meeting was cancelled.

Friends of Education Fund

N/A

**6. OPERATIONS INFORMATION**

Additional Agenda Items

**Community Focus Groups**

Trustee Bambridge indicated that she had requested further information from Trustee Kruck regarding the series of focus groups he would like to set up. She advised that Trustee Kruck has an alternate plan in mind for his request.

**7. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, June 23, 2016, 10:00 a.m., Boardroom.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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S. Bambridge, Chair

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P. Bartlette

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G. Buri

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P. Bowslaugh (Alternate)

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

Between

**Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council (BUAPC)**

And

**The City of Brandon (City)**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes the commitment between BUAPC and the City (collectively, the Parties) to promote Aboriginal education, employment, and business inclusion within the community.

### **Background**

BUAPC was created by City By-law 6988 in 2010 to establish ongoing community dialogue with respect to matters relevant to individuals within the Urban Aboriginal community.

### **Purpose**

This MOU will confirm the commitment of the Parties to establish and participate in programs designed for the purpose of enhancing education, employment opportunities, and business inclusion for Urban Aboriginal participants.

This purpose will be accomplished by undertaking the following goals and objectives:

GOAL 1: Development and implementation of the Aboriginal Economic Strategic Plan

- OUTCOMES:
- a. Improved education
  - b. Improved labour market participation
  - c. Improved availability of business initiatives

GOAL 2: Identification of barriers and challenges facing Urban Aboriginal peoples in the fields of education and employment.

- OUTCOMES:
- a. Establishment of long-term collaborative actions aimed to positively address existing education and employment gaps

This MOU does not limit the capacity of the Parties to move forward on initiatives in the interim.

### **Commitment**

BUAPC members, through a joint Commitment of Participation letter, and the City have formally adopted a shared commitment to working together to improve gaps currently experienced in education and employment outcomes for the Brandon Urban Aboriginal community. The Parties further commit to continue building on successful initiatives.

### **Reporting**

The Aboriginal Community Coordinator ("Coordinator") will maintain records of those businesses and Urban Aboriginal peoples who participate in the programs. Information will be provided to BUAPC and the City on a semi-annual basis. Informal interim communications may

be provided where the Coordinator determines that considerable activities are being undertaken to which sharing of information would be beneficial.

It is the intention for a comprehensive report to be presented to BUAPC and City Council respectively at the conclusion of this MOU in order to review for the Parties the progress achieved in reaching the stated goals and outcomes.

#### **Duration**

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from each of the Parties. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the Parties and will remain in effect until May 31, 2018. Additional partners may be invited to participate in the MOU at any time, upon mutual consent of the Parties.

It is anticipated at that time that a recommendation will be brought forward to renew the MOU for one additional year at which time an updated comprehensive report will be provided to the new BUAPC and City Council members as established following the 2018 municipal election.

At the expiration of that renewed MOU, with the new BUAPC and City Council members familiarized with the program, a recommendation will be brought forward to establish a new MOU for a 3-year term with new progressive goals and objectives being established.

At that time the parties will give consideration to renewal of their respective commitments, and engaging additional partners, through a subsequent Memorandum of Understanding.

#### **Contact Information of Authorized Officials**

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Commitment of Participation

The Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples’ Council (BUAPC) and the City of Brandon (City) are desirous of entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with respect to establishing and participating in programs designed for the purpose of enhancing education, employment opportunities, and business inclusion for Urban Aboriginal participants. A copy of the proposed MOU is attached for reference.

BUAPC members (individually a Participant), through this joint Commitment of Participation, are representing that their respective group has been provided with information respecting the MOU and have independently adopted a shared commitment to working together to improve gaps currently experienced in education and employment outcomes for the Brandon Urban Aboriginal community. The Participants further commit to working together to continue building on successful initiatives.

Each Participant, by signing below, is confirming the acceptance of the MOU by their group and is committing their group to the purpose and outcomes of the MOU.

Signature / Print Name	Date
Brandon Friendship Center: _____	_____
Manitoba Metis Federation: _____	_____
Dakota Ojibway Tribal Council: _____	_____
Prairie Mountain Health: _____	_____
Brandon School Division: _____	_____
Assiniboine Community College: _____	_____
Brandon University: _____	_____
Citizen at large: _____	_____
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