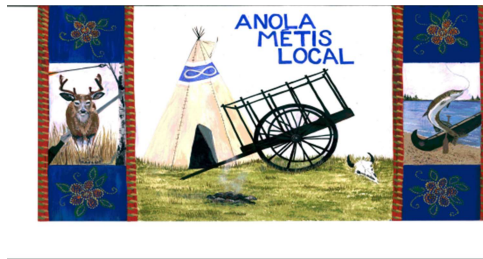


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### **Anola Metis Local Minutes of Zoom Meeting February 24, 2021**

**Attendees:** Jacqueline Chartrand, Rita Vaags, Faithe Pearson, Rick Mason, Jackie Mason, Irene Carriere, Debbie Clague, Tom Larkin, Guy Pilcher, Terry Kolbuck, Michaela Pilcher

1. Jackie Mason, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Rita Vaags sang the Metis anthem. Jackie Mason spoke the Opening Prayer.
2. **Approval of Agenda - MOTION #1:** That the Agenda be accepted.  
1<sup>st</sup> Irene Carriere 2<sup>nd</sup> Rita Vaags All in favor - Carried.
3. **Chairperson's Report:** Jackie Mason reported that she and Jacqueline, as members of the Local Executive, have been registered for the MMF virtual AGA which will take place March 26 – 27, 2021. She reminded Local members of the leadership courses offered by Infinity Women. She expressed her opinion that Locals should be able to name and honour their own elders and not necessarily rely upon MMF to define who Elders are. Jacqueline expressed concern that there is a protocol in place at MMF for nominating Elders and there are specific requirements. **MOTION #2:** That Jackie's report be accepted. 1<sup>st</sup> Jacqueline Chartrand 2<sup>nd</sup> Irene Carriere All in favor – Carried.

**Minutes** of the December 16th meeting were read by Jacqueline.. **MOTION #3:** That the Minutes be accepted as read. 1<sup>st</sup> Terry Kolbuck 2<sup>nd</sup> Rita Vaags All in favor – Carried

**Treasurer's Report** presented by Jacqueline Chartrand. Balance in account \$3,488.18, which includes \$827.55 in scholarship fund and \$60 petty cash. The cheque for \$135 for the Red River cart model was cashed. The only February expense is \$116.47 for a printer cartridge for an actual Local account balance \$2,584.16 after Scholarship Fund and petty cash are deducted. Total Local expenses for this fiscal year so far amount to \$1512.16 leaving \$987.84 remaining of \$2500 advanced by Local Capacity Funding. A motion to return the unused funds to MMF was declined as more expenss may be pending before March 31<sup>st</sup>. Jackie Mason is to contact Denise Thomas at SE Regional Office to verify whether the Local should hold onto the remaining funds or not. The beginning of year balance, which included \$827.55 Scholarship Fund and \$60 petty cash was \$1885.31 after the \$500 holdback payment was deposited. Rita Vaags has not yet purchased the books from Louis Riel Institute to replace those 'taken' at Louis Riel Event. **MOTION #4:** That the Treasurer's Report be accepted. 1<sup>st</sup> Guy Pilcher 2<sup>nd</sup> Rita Vaags All in favor – Carried.

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**Youth Representative Report:** Faithe Pearson noted art mentorship program deadline is February 28. All youth program posters updated via FaceBook and Instagram. **MOTION #5:** That the Youth Representative's Report be accepted. 1<sup>st</sup> Terry Kolbuck 2<sup>nd</sup> Irene Carriere All in favor – Carried.

**Website Update:** Faithe requested pictures of the Executive to be posted by their names, but was told to hold off based on restructuring of Executive after next election. Faithe asked for volunteers for a second or third administration person. Rita Vaags put her name forward. Accessibility features were added to the website. **MOTION #6:** That the Website Report be accepted. 1<sup>st</sup> Terry Kolbuck 2<sup>nd</sup> Irene Carriere All in favor – Carried

**Scholarship Update:** Dana Trapp had no report at this time.

4. **Planning for 2020-21 fiscal year as well as 2021-22:** It is understood that all planned events would be subject to provincial COVID-19 restrictions. A) Dan Benoit's history of the Metis and his work with MMF environment initiatives make him a desirable speaker. Jackie Mason will approach Dan. B) A virtual beading course conducted by Jake Freeman will require coordination of registration and getting kits to registered participants. Michaela expressed an interest in the beading. C) Possible flight instruction by Tom Larkin D) Sale of Local brand and Michif products. D) Free fiddling lessons E) Gun safety course/PAL/Hunter Safety availability will be looked into by Tom Larkin. F) Louis Riel Day event coordinated by Rita Vaags and her committee G) Chicken Daze parade in Oakbank next spring H) Parade of Lights event in Anola. Jackie and Jacqueline will compile a tentative schedule of events, including future meeting dates so it can be posted in FaceBook and on the web site. H) An election must be held in September as the Masons plan to move to B.C. A whole new slate of officers must be sought out and duly elected for a vibrant future for this Local.
5. **Roundtable:** No further discussion.
6. **Next Local Meeting** – To be announced.

**Meeting Adjourned** – 9:04 p.m.