



Draft MINUTES
Annual General Meeting
September 30, 2013
1:30PM at Parish Hall

Qikiqtaaluk:

Apex Mads Sanbakken
Arctic Bay, Leah Koonark
Cape Dorset, Qavaroak Qatsiya
Clyde River, Jacob Jaypoody
Grise Fiord, Liza Ninguiik
Hall Beach, Solomon Nashook
Igloolik, Francis Piugatuuk
Iqaluit, Lori Idlout
Kimmirut, Maliktoo Lyta
Pangnirtung, David Kooneeliusie
Pond Inlet, Michael Peterloosie
Resolute Bay, Mary Kalluk
Sanikiluaq, Mina Eyaitok

Kivalliq

Arviat, Liz Illnik
Baker Lake, Bill Kashla
Coral Harbour, Willie Nakoolak
Repulse Bay, Uluta Ivalutanar
Rankin Inlet – Stan Anderson

Kitikmeot

Cambridge Bay, Bessie Joy
Gjoa Haven, Ray Quqshuun
Kugluktuk, Mavis Elias Adjun

Appointed members:

Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated - Jeannie Arreak-Kullualik
Nunavut Disabilities, Johnny Ittinuar, Appointed by ND
Emeritus Member, Vacant

Regrets:

Taloyoak, Aiolah Takolik
Qikiqtarjuat, Susie Alikatuktuk
Chesterfield Inlet – Solomon Autut
Kugaaruk, Celine Ningark
Whale Cove Mary Jones Kriterdluk

Administration

Executive Director, Nikki Eegeesiak Office Administrator, Tina Price

1.0 Call to Order at 1:40 pm by Chairperson, Joseph Krimmidjuar.

2.0 A13-09-01 Approval of Agenda:

Abstained 0 Against 0 Passed

That the agenda be approved as presented with the addition of motions for review and consideration.

Moved by: Willie Nakoolak **Seconded by:** Leah Kalluk

Michael Peterloosie member from Pond Inlet wanted to add in resolutions or motions on the agenda. All agreed.

3.0 Welcome Remarks – ITK

The Chairperson welcomed Mary Simon stating that the members are pleased to get information and updates on the National Inuit Education Strategy; the Coalition is pleased to be on the Mobilizing Committee, and updated ITK on what was held the last two days with the members, i.e. Research on **Social Passing** was presented, the members did a session on their views on “**quality of education**” the members also stated that is critical that Inuit Teacher Recruitment and retention for bilingual education is key to social and economic advancement of Nunavutmiut and once done, ITK would get a summary of the 3 days meetings.

Ms. Simon presented ITK’s 1st priority was a National Campaign on **Mobilizing Parents**, the goals is to engage parents in improving attendance, strengthen the level of home support for student success in school. **Measuring success** in Education, 2nd priority, there is a need for more data and research on Inuit education. Research needs to be done on why students leaving school in grades 7 to 8, 10 to 11, post secondary 11-12 in Nunavik. **Standardized Writing System**, this is at a research phase that includes a comparative analysis of the writing systems in each region.

Ms. Simon thanked the Coalition who nominated ITK/Amaujaq National Centre for Inuit Education for the Arctic Inspiration Prize.

Questions/Comments:

Francis:

Feels her presentation or work does not really apply to smaller communities, National strategies don’t really reach the communities, we need our own help at the local level. Continue to stay in school is good study, we always do that, we only get operation funding, how long are we supposed to volunteer without getting paid? Parents are not encouraging the students, we don’t have resources or specialist to do it. He asked if we could get a letter of support from ITK that Social passing is happening in Nunavut.

Mary:

ITK does not control funding, but we can help the DEAs to access those funding agencies, submit research proposal. We realize that there are social problems, absenteeism, drop-outs, that is why we are doing research on the quality of the curriculum. Mary further stated that parents should be told if there kids are at critical stage, to make policy changes, other factors that is why ITK is doing research.

Liza Ninguik wanted clarification on the Inuktitut Writing System.

Mary, doing research on it now, not creating one writing system, new ideas that will come out of this research? How do we apply that in schools? Mary, they use it in Greenland schools.

Mavis invited Mary Simon to Kugluktuk as Inuinnaqtun language is a big issue in the Kitikmeot Region.

Lori:

Reiterated the importance of the national strategy but stated that the DEAs are elected members, we should be treated as such. The DEAs are not respected and lose credibility when we are usually turned down for support and assistance. Every year, we bring the same issues and concerns forward to the Government: suicide prevention training, social passing, more funding, etc. what does the federal government say what they say about Inuit education?

Mary: wonder's why they are not funding passed grade 12. The GN is given funding from grade kindergarten to grade 12, the federal government only deals with Indians. Mary ended the session saying she would take the issues to the Executive Director of ITK for consideration.

4.0 A13-09-02 Approval of AGM Minutes – October 21, 2012 Abstained 1 Against 0 Passed

That the Minutes of October 21, 2012 be approved with a correction on the By-law Section D. omit "After discussion, the members felt NTI should have voting rights same as Nunavut Disabilities"

Moved by: Michael Peterloosie **Seconded by:** Liz Illnark

The Executive Director presented the draft minutes. A deletion of above section specified was omitted:

Apex member abstained as he was not in the last annual general meeting.

5.0 a. A13-09-03 Chairpersons Verbal Report Abstained 0 Against 0 Passed

That the Chairpersons verbal report be approved as presented.

Moved by: Jayko Jaypoody **Seconded by:** David Kooneeliusie

Comments/Questions

The Chairperson stated that he provided a written report at the beginning of the 3 day sessions. He verbally stated that he hopes this week was beneficial for the items that we covered on: operations research, social passing, workshop on quality of education, etc.

6.0 A13-09-04 Audited Financial Statements 2012/2013 Abstained 1 Against 0 Passed

That the audited financial statements for 2012/2013 be approved as presented.

Moved by: Maliktoo Lyta **Seconded by:** Lori Idlout **Abstained**

The Treasurer presented the financial statements highlighting that there was a deficit of \$67,000.00 to the Government of Nunavut which is better than the previous year.

7.0 Motions:

The members during the week proposed specific priority areas. The following are motions that were reviewed and passed.

A13-10-05 REJECTION OF THE PROGRAM DIRECTIVE ON STUDENT PLACEMENT, PROMOTION AND RETENTION signed September 18, 2013

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Coalition of Nunavut DEAs

1. rejects the Program Directive of September 18, 2013
2. confirms that this rejection of the Directive is an effective instruction to principals not to use the Directive because the DEA's reasoning is firmly based in Inuit societal values and the principles and concepts of Inuit Qaumajitugangi, and s. 114(2) of the Nunavut Education Act provides that in such a case, the authority of the DEA shall prevail over that of the Minister.
3. supports any DEA who also adopts this resolution in instructing their principal to NOT implement this Directive.

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Maliktoo Lyta

Abstained

A13-10-06 2. Suicide Intervention Training

THEREFORE, once again

The Nunavut Coalition of DEAs urges the Department of Education as a *matter of the highest priority* to make suicide alertness and intervention training available to ALL staff in Nunavut schools who wish to take it, as soon as possible and on an on-going basis.

Moved by: Liz Illnik

Seconded by: Uluta

Abstained

A13-10-07 WORKING WITH NEW MINISTER TO SET STANDARDS

The Coalition requests that the newly appointed Minister of Education for the 4th Assembly meet with the Coalition within 6 months of his/her appointment to review with the Coalition Members s. 24(4) s. 25(5) s. 74(1) and s. 137(1)(2) in order to develop a plan to involve DEAs in creating and approving these standards.

Moved by: Maliktoo Lyta

Seconded by: Leah Kunnak

Abstained

A13-10-08 Nunavut Teachers Recruitment and Training -

Therefore be it resolved that the Department of Education launch an extensive campaign to attract, recruit and train Inuit and Northern Teachers into the teaching profession, and train in a challenging post-secondary program, to get a new generation of Inuit and Northern Teachers in order to fully implement the *Nunavut Education Act*, generating bilingual graduates and implementing Inuktitut Language Immersion.

The Wave

And be it further resolved: that the Coalition of Nunavut District Education Authorities ("CNDEA"), Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated ("NTI") and Regional Inuit Organizations

("RIA") advocate that the Government of Nunavut launch a campaign for **Teacher Training Recruitment** immediately and fund the high level education of these recruits, setting the target of graduating 50-100 Nunavut Teachers students per year for the next 5 (five) years during the mandate of the 4th Nunavut Legislative Assembly.

Moved by: Liz

Seconded by: Solomon Nasook

Abstained

5.1 There was one draft motion for the members consideration and was not passed, "preserving lapsed funding for education purposes. The draft motion stated "Where a DEA at the end of the school year has not expended all of the funds allocated in contracts, or that DEAs together have not expended or been offered all of the funds approved by the Assembly in its Appropriations Act for that year, these funds should not be returned to general revenues, instead the lapsed or unused funds should be transferred to the Coalition and the Coalition AGM each year should identify projects or objectives for funding with this money."

Apex member asked if it was only for the Coalition. Iqaluit DEA would like to defer this to the next AGM. Raymond: proposed that each DEA review and consider this item. This draft motion will be addressed at the next AGM for further discussion and decision.

6.0 Election & Appointment

Nikki stated that the members passed a motion last year to elect for chairperson position at the AGM. A notice of election for Chairperson and emeritus position was sent to all the DEAs. No nominations for the Emeritus position from the communities was submitted to the office. Nikki also stated that some member board positions terms were coming up in December.

Questions/Comments:

Raymond asked if you have to be a member of DEA to be elected for Chairperson or Emeritus member. Nikki states that the Chairperson position has to be a DEA member (preferably Chair, Vice Chair and must have the support from the DEA to run for the Chairperson position. The Emeritus position should not be a DEA member, they must have education interest and represent all Nunavut DEAs not just their community. A support or motion has to be passed by the community accepted to run for the Emeritus position.

A13-10-9 Open nominations for Chairperson position:

That nominations be opened for Chairperson position.

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Bessie Joy

Jayko nominated Willie Nakoolak
Willie does not accept nomination.

Francis nominates Bessie Joy
Lori Idlout seconds the nomination

Bessy would love to accept the nomination but her term is coming up.

Nikki stated that she can still run even thou her term is coming up.

Uluta asked if Joe can re-run again.

Nikki said yes so long as he gets the support from his DEA and is still a DEA member.

Uluta motioned Joe Krimmerdjuar for Chairperson position.

Michael Peterloosie from Pond Inlet seconded the motion.

Francis Piutagguk nominated Bessie Joy

Seconded by: Mavis Adjun (written nomination)

Liza Ninguiik nominates Francis Piugattuk

Willie seconded the motion

Francis declined the nomination

Jayko nominates Willie Nakoolak

Johnny Ittinuar second's the motion

Willie accepts the nomination.

A13-10-10 Close nominations for Chairperson position:

That nominations be closed for the Chairperson position.

Moved by: Lori Idlout

Seconded by: Liza Ninguiik

3 ballots are taken:

Cambridge Bay Bessie Joy

Pond Inlet Joe Krimmerdjuar

Coral Harbour Willie Nakoolak

Ballots were counted and Willie Nakoolak was elected as Chairperson position.

A13-10-11 Destroy ballots

That the ballots be destroyed

Moved by: Bessie Joy **Seconded by:** Lori Idlout

7.0 A13-10-12 Adjournment

Abstained 0 Against 0 Passed

That the Annual General Meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Johnny Ittinuar

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak