

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY
SASKATCHEWAN SECTION
PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8 & 9, 2018 – māmawêyatitân centre, REGINA
M I N U T E S

MINUTE #
09/08/2018

ACTION

PRESENT: Per the register: Councillors – 66; Executive – 5; Provincial Caucus – 2; Federal Caucus – 0; INDS – 1; Rainbow Committee – 0; SYND - 2; SNDW – 3; Cultural Diversity Committee – 2; MLA's – 3; Staff/Visitors – 6 for a total of 92.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. with Dave McGrane in the Chair. The Treaty Acknowledgement was read and the Anti-Harassment, Human Rights and Safety Policy was presented.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S/Carried That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

M/S/Carried that the minutes of the March 24, 2018, meeting be received as circulated.

REPORTS:

President's Report: Given by David McGrane

Leader and Caucus Report: Given by Ryan Meili

Provincial Secretary's Report: Given by John Tzupa. Aidan Murphy reported on the Summer Organizer program.

Treasurer's Report and Unaudited Financial Statement as of June 30, 2018:

Given by Tim Williams

M/S/Carried That the following revenue-sharing formula be approved:

- 1) That a program to collect special ask donations for the 2020 election campaign begin effective September 10, 2018, and continue through to November 30, 2020, or the end of the month following the next provincial election, whichever is later.
- 2) That the revenue sharing formula for special ask donations be as follows:

95%	Saskatchewan NDP
5%	Provincial Trust
- 3) That the revenue-shared pool consists of tax credit donations collected through the special ask program.

M/S/Carried that the June 2018 unaudited financial statements be approved.

It was agreed that all written and verbal reports be received.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. to permit the blanket exercise to occur after lunch.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018:

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:43 a.m. with Dave McGrane in the Chair.

AGRICULTURE & RURAL LIFE COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

Trina Miller gave a presentation on the work of the Agriculture and Rural Life Committee, accompanied by committee members Ken Imhoff, Irene Ahner, Al Birchard, Leonard Dales, Andrew Stevenson, and Lucy Pelletier.

M/S/Carried Unanimously to accept the Terms of Reference of the Agriculture and Rural Life Committee as presented (with a correction to capitalize “Indigenous”):

Agriculture and Rural Life Committee Terms of Reference

PURPOSE:

To direct the agriculture and rural life strategy inclusive of rural engagement, rural and agriculture policy development and to provide advice to the Election Planning Committee and other committees in framing agriculture and rural life election messaging.

MEMBERSHIP:

Open to progressive minded individuals; farmers, Indigenous peoples and rural residents and communities who are committed to advancing agriculture and rural life issues and strategies.

GOVERNANCE:

Governed by a 12-member steering committee nominated from among the membership of the Agriculture and Rural Life Committee. Those nominated to the Steering Committee are required to hold a New Democratic Party Membership.

REPORTING:

Provide reports to NDP Council, Executive and other committees as may be required on activities including recommendations on party direction as applies to the rural and agricultural sectors of Saskatchewan.

Conduct an annual review based on a predetermined activity plan.

Provide a financial review in event of the expenditure of Party funds.

BREAKOUT SESSION: Indigenization in Local Constituencies

Modeste McKenzie and Dave McGrane facilitated breakout discussions.

PANEL DISCUSSION: Indigenous Perspectives on Public Policy

The Policy Committee presented a panel discussion with Lucy Pelletier (Policy Committee), Richard Missens (Assistant Professor, First Nations University of Canada) and Dorothy Myo (President, Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre).

ADJOURNMENT: M/Carried that the meeting adjourn at 12:05 p.m.

PRESENTATION: Aidan Murphy presented on the Digital Share Team over lunch.