

SAGKEENG ANICINABE GOVERNMENT

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Sagkeeng Chief and Council continue to implement policy on various issues related to band membership issues. All policies can be found at <http://www.sagkeeng.ca/policies/> or at the Sagkeeng Anicinabe Government office with the front desk.

Bereavement Policy - this policy is designed to formalize financial donations to families in their time of need. Applications are to be filled in and returned to the band office administration.



Financial Assistance Policy - this policy replaces Chief and Council's management of discretionary funds. The policy is designed to assist Elders and low-income earners at their time of financial distress. Applications are to be filled in and returned to the band office administration. Applications are reviewed monthly. Unfortunately, funds for distribution through this policy are limited on a monthly

basis.

Human Resources Policy - this policy is to serve as guide for directors and supervisors to adhere and implement rules related to employee management. It is anticipated that future policy development will include that related to housing and gaming revenue donation guidelines.

ANICINABE NEW SCHOOL PROJECT

Prepared by Michael Erlander, Project Manager:

Chronology and description of the community meetings:

On January 30th & 31st, 2017 a group of Community members, educators, leaders, Elders, and designers met together in Fort Alexander to begin developing a design for a new kindergarten to grade six school for the Sagkeeng Anicinabe First Nation. Over the two days participants shared their cultural and spiritual perspectives on life and learning,



and then worked together to develop schematic design plans for the future school.

With the help of the design team, the representatives of the Sagkeeng Community designed the shape and functionality of their own school, ensuring that it is designed to meet the needs of the students and the Community.

On February 28th, 2017 the design team, members of the Sagkeeng Community, and the preschool to grade six teachers met at the Mino Pimatziwin Family Centre Gym to review the design developed in the Visioning Session and to continue developing their school. Plan options were reviewed by the participants and a unanimous decision was made to move forward with the modified plan. The group discussed the daily flow of students, reviewed the classroom layouts and identified desires and concerns. Working with the teachers the design team measured and laid out a classroom at full scale to give participants an idea of their size and to get their input on classroom design. Site requirements and logistics were discussed and a preliminary site plan developed based on the participants' feedback.

On March 23rd and 24th, 2017 the design team, members of the Community and teachers met in a series of events to review the progression of the design based on previous discussions. The team presented preliminary detailed designs of key spaces and provided visuals of how the future school might look. Spaces, themes, and site design were further deliberated with the Community. Community educators reviewed and expressed their

observations and concerns to the team directly.

Where we are in the design stage?

The project is currently in the Design Development phase. The design team is confirming design decisions and preparing to commence formal construction drawings and specifications this June. A Community engagement session is scheduled for May 18th to enable further review and commentary on the design work completed thus far.

Project schedule

With construction scheduled to start mid-October, 2017, the school's completion and move-in date is estimated to be May, 2019.

Scope – from Renovation to New

The Community's original intention was to renovate and add to the existing school. However, after extensive analysis, it was found to be more feasible to demolish the existing structure and construct a new school.

TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT (TLE)

Excerpt from TLE update Memo from Candice S. Metallic & Ryan Lake dated May 8, 2017.

Expert Reports

The Sagkeeng First Nation has now served the following Expert Reports on the Crown:

1. Report on Disputed Individuals, prepared by Tara Smock of Joan Holmes & Associates Inc.;
2. Sagkeeng First Nation and Treaty 1: Pre-Treaty Indian Land Holdings, prepared by Dr. Ken Coates (the "Coates Report"); and,



3. Socio-Political History of Halfbreed / Metis presence in Fort Alexander, prepared by Paul L.A.H. Chartrand.

We are now in receipt of the following responding Expert Reports prepared by the Crown:

1. Reply Report to ‘Report on Disputed Individuals’, prepared by Betsey Baldwin; and,
2. A Response to Dr. Ken Coates Report on Treaty 1 and Pre-Treaty Land Holdings at Fort Alexander, prepared by Dr. Clint Evans (the “Evans Report”).

A hearing to examine the experts is scheduled to commence June 13, 2017.

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As discussed, we will meet with Canada at our office in Saskatoon on May 11, 2017 to discuss the possibility of a negotiated settlement of Sagkeeng’s TLE claim. We will report back to you following this meeting to advise of our progress, seek instructions with respect to the desired approach to resolve this claim and to confirm the next steps in relation to the Expert Hearing scheduled for June 13, 2017.

Comprehensive Community Planning Initiative/Land Use Planning

Sagkeeng recently hired Brenda Morrisseau and Donna Sais to undertake the Comprehensive Community Planning Initiative. In addition to this initiative, Doug Boyd and Ken Alexander are responsible for the Land Use Planning initiative. They can be reached at the Sagkeeng Anicinabe Government office at 204 367 2287 or via email at bmorrisseau@sagkeeng.ca, dsais@sagkeeng.ca, dboyd@sagkeeng.ca, and kalexander@sagkeeng.ca. Please see the Sagkeeng website for their newsletter “*Khawehjiheyying May 2017*”.

IMPORTANT DATES

Year-End Reports

- Year-End Reports have been compiled from various departments/organization/offices and will be delivered to households on reserve by the end of May 2017.

Office Closure

- The Sagkeeng Administration office will be closed on Monday, May 22, 2017 in observance of Victoria Day.

Treaty Days 2017 Planning Meeting

- Dylan Courchene, Treaty Days Coordinator, has announced a Treaty Days Committee Meeting on May 25, 2017 at the Treatment Centre Gym from 6pm – 8pm. Everyone welcome Sagkeeng’s annual Treaty Days are scheduled from Wednesday July 26 to Sunday July 30.

Crystal Meth Awareness Workshop



- Community Forum – Everyone Welcome. May 23, 2017 – 11 AM–1 PM, Location: SCFS FE Building.

First Nation Curriculum Framework

- Sagkeeng Jr. High School, May 25th and May 26th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sagkeeng Employment & Income Assistance June 2017

- Scheduled Social Assistance Payments, Wednesday, May 31, 2017

MMIWG Documentary

- Anticipated community visit in June 2017 by Ana Maria Quinn, Associate Producer, to discuss the making of a MMIWG documentary in Sagkeeng.

Sagkeeng Child Family Services: Prevention Service Spring cultural camp-location to be determined June 9, 10, 11, 2017.

- 12 years old and up or under 12 years old needs to be accompanied an adult or guardian
- Tents, cots, sleeping bags provided, some activities; elder teachings, setting fishing net, hiking, canoeing, sweat lodge, various outdoor games, storytelling, talking circles.
- These events are open to all Sagkeeng community members and for more information please contact Prevention Service Supervisor Isaac Mandamin @ 204-367-2215 or 204-949-1649

Canada Games Relay

- On July 14, 2017, 21 runners from Sagkeeng and neighboring communities will be participating in the Canada Games Relay in Sagkeeng on Hwy 11 on the reserve - please see <http://www.sagkeeng.ca/summer-games-torchbearer-video/>

Treaty Days 2017

- Sagkeeng's annual Treaty Days are scheduled from Wednesday July 26 to Sunday July 30.

Other Information

Please see www.sagkeeng.cca for a list band members with mail for pick up at the Sagkeeng Government office.

Emergency Services Contact info:

Fire Department

204-367-2292

SAGKEENG SAFETY OFFICERS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Carey 8:30am-4:30pm Brenton 1pm – 9pm	2 Carey 8:30am-4:30pm Brenton 10am – 6pm Joel / Ron 6pm – 2am	3 Carey 8:30am-4:30pm Brenton 10am – 6pm Joel / Ron 6pm – 2am	4 Carey 8:30am-4:30pm Brenton 10am – 6pm Joel / Ron 7pm – 3am	5 Carey 8:30am-4:30pm Brenton 10am – 6pm Joel / Ron 7pm – 3am	6 Joel / Ron 7pm – 3am
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If you wish to contribute an event, story, or another of news to this monthly website please contact Christine Courchene, Administrative Assistant, at 204 367 2287 or via email at info@sagkeeng.ca.

