

AGENDA/MINUTES  
FDL CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM DELEGATE COMMITTEE  
COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING

Date: 11-21-22

Time: 7 PM

Facilitator: Cheryl E.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carol J., Wayne D., Debra T., Julia L., Tara D.

GUESTS PRESENT: Lorri A.,

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Report on questions asked of the RBC.
2. Review meeting location options.  
Cloquet may be open until 6.  
Sawyer open until 4:30
3. Review letter to TEC & MCT. Make a decision whether it's ready to send to other MCT delegations (TEC Committee) for approval and support.
4. Marketing - Flyers and information need to be developed. When these are done, we need to get them to Rita Karpinen for distribution. Per Kevin, we can use the FDL YouTube channel to share recordings. Let's get busy on these! We are missing opportunities!  
Messages that we want to send:  
  
Get involved!  
Idle no more.  
By the people, for the people.  
Honor our ancestors.  
Speak out about your rights.  
Youth matter!  
Other people are deciding your fate.  
Gather the wisdom from our elders.  
Eliminate the Secretary of the Interior  
Be inclusive, not exclusive.  
Harm of disenrollment.  
Rights of nature.  
Do you know your treaties?  
Why are treaties important to you? Why not?  
Inherent rights vs. treaty rights.  
Treaties are generational rights.

More people, more responsibilities.  
What has genocide done to us? Why do we allow this to happen to us?  
Membership vs. Citizenship?  
Pedigree?  
Haves and have-nots.  
Separation of powers.  
Self-determination begins with me. Or is it us?  
Use "Nation" as identification. (UNDRIP)  
Constitution. It is our law. We should follow it. Our social agreement.  
Website flyers with QR code. Get them posted locally. Schools.

Email text to Cheryl to develop flyers.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. It has been suggested to create a survey for all FDL members to answer the referendum questions because the Referendum did not record where the votes came from. In addition, we should develop other questions to ask only FDL members for use as we write our FDL Constitution and to solicit interest in becoming delegates. This should be done via mail only for clarity and transparency. Let's try to make it one page, front and back, with postage-paid return envelopes included. Cheryl will track down who to speak with at RBC regarding mailing labels and postage requirements (Costs)

Cheryl and Wayne look for 2004 survey emailed from Wayne. List of priorities. Goal of making a survey by end of December.

2.

## **MCT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- EDUCATION -
- FINANCE - The meeting scheduled for 11-21-22 has been rescheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 6 PM at Mille Lacs.
- SURVEY -
- FACILITATION - Meets the Friday following Convention Meeting.
- DRAFTING- Meeting weekly. Nearing completion of the treaty work.
- TEC -

## **FDL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- YOUTH COUNCIL / EDUCATION - There has been no meeting for several months. Will this reconvene, or have people lost interest? Perhaps they have connected to other groups working on building a curriculum. We still need youth involvement in Constitution Reform. Can someone please just make a flyer to invite youth to our meetings?
- DRAFTING - Create a flyer to invite FDL members as participants in writing our Constitution. Plan a "First Meeting" at a community location.
- Discussion of first meeting in January. How can we write in our language? English would need to be translated. No first-language speakers at FDL. Meeting for community during the day? Suggests after 5 pm. due to work and school schedules.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: 12-5-22**