



Executive Council Meeting for Mino Bimaadizawin Partnership
Wednesday, December 09, 2020 Time: 1- 2.00 PM
Executive Council Minutes

Attended: Shirley Thompson (Chair) – University of Manitoba, Lancelot Coar– University of Manitoba, Donna Martin- University of Manitoba, Shauna Mallory-Hill- University of Manitoba, Myrle Ballard- University of Manitoba, Babajide Oni– University of Manitoba, Rezwanunul Hoque – University of Manitoba, Uche Nwankwo - University of Manitoba, Folarin Solademi- University of Manitoba, Uriel Jelin- University of Manitoba, Keshab Thapa- University of Manitoba, Trea StromHunter- University of Manitoba, Catrina Sellase- University of Manitoba

Topics	Items of Discussion & Notes	Action/Motion	Person/People Responsible
1. Approve minutes from last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to accept (no changes) (October 28, 2020, meeting) 	1. Lancelot 2. Donna	
2. Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved (no change) 	1. Donna 2. Uche	
3. Project updates	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Indigenous Food systems education:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitigay: Indigenous Food Systems funding proposal submitted to Indigenous Initiatives Fund collaborating with Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences, Faculty of Science, Kinesiology and Recreation Management, Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Science, Natural Resources Institute and Brokenhead Ojibway Nation. Details of the program- http://ecohealthcircle.com/kitigay-indigenous-food-initiatves/ • A website in Agriculture is documenting the Kitigay. 2. <u>Indigenous Philanthropy (IP)for Winnipeg Foundation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brokenhead has qualified Donee status. Dakota Plains applying with UoM help. • Status of Philanthropy in MB First nations to be presented at ‘Canadian Philanthropy Conference.’ 3. <u>WISE Update:</u> 		Website: Kyle IP: Trea & Keshab WISE: Jide & Shirley



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After last year's baseline survey (n- 169), a follow-up survey (n- 78) was done with the same respondents (at-risk FN youths) to see about food and other shifts under COVID-19 and due to training. We are working on third year follow up survey ethics. • Research findings submitted as a paper to Journal of Agriculture, Food System, and Community Development (JAFSCD). The paper is under review. 4. <u>Webinars:</u> • A series of webinars is occurring. We had 11 webinars in the last three months. Details and video links are available on our website at- http://ecohealthcircle.com/webinar/ • A webinar on architectural designs (AD) Tentatively set for January 22, 2021). 		AD: Lancelot, Shauna, Catrina
4. Budget update	<p>Spending for student's capacity development is \$1,272,048 (81% of total grant) until December 09, 2020. Among them 91% or \$ 1,172,155 spent on students' stipend. And \$99,893 spent on Student i) airfare 38%, ii) safety training and equipment's 22%, iii) workshops registration 8%, iv) miscellaneous conference/travel cost 18%, v) Car rental 3%.</p>		
5. Adoption of Anti-oppression policy	<p>A draft Mino- Bimaadiziwin Partnership inclusion policy/consideration was accepted unanimously, which will be revisited for wordsmithing over time.</p> <p>The Mino Bimaadiziwin Partnership stands for inclusion, justice, reconciliation and regenerative societies through critical scholarship and participatory research. The Mino Bimaadiziwin Partnership follows a zero-tolerance policy for oppression or abuse of any kind within our partnership organization. The Partnership considers the denial of racism, colonialism, sexism, gaslighting, and other systemic oppression forms to be an active form of oppression. The Partnership seeks the best available evidence to guide our organizing, education and research. In this effort, we listen openly and support victims who shed light on any form of violence, abuse or alienation practiced in our white supremacy-inspired, male-dominated culture. We pledge to be mindful of fairness and due process, recognizing how frequently victims are further victimized in sharing their stories. We work to be a safe and sincere place for dialogue. We acknowledge our privilege in society and the need to explore our own biases. The Partnership pledges to stand against any form of violence, abuse or alienation.</p>	1. Catrina 2. Lancelot	



6. Adjourn	2:00		
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