

YEAR IN REVIEW

MNO AGA / MNO Annual Report 2025-26

Name of PCMNO Councilor

Region / Position

Jacques Picotte

Region 3 Councillor Abitibi Inland Métis Community

Introductory Message about work within the Region in 2022/23

The region has had a busy year with meeting with proponents, creating partnerships with local businesses, working on new MOUs/IBAs

Supporting our citizens with medical travel support, extra curricular activities, special request support, post secondary bursaries, Intermediate (grade 8) and High School (grade 12) bursaries.

The AIMC committee meets monthly (via zoom) and quarterly face to face.

Held our 3rd Annual Business Summit and our 2nd Annual Business Pitch.

The business pitch allowed Métis own businesses to submit video to participate in the business pitch. We had two categories this year adult and youth. 3 of the 9 adult submission pitched as well as two youth businesses pitched in front of a panel of judges. 1st prize was \$10,000 for adult and \$5,000 for youth and then \$1,000.00 for the runner ups.

Council governance training completed for 2 councils.

Part time Administrative Assistant started this April.

The Cemetary on Kenogamissi will have a plaques identifying as a Métis cemetary.

Still looking for property to be able to host cultural events and teachings

Working on having two trailers converted into coolers for our harvesters to have access to

Highlights and Key Achievements

For last fiscal year approximate number of individuals accessing services and approximate amount spent

Post secondary bursaries – 26 individuals - \$214,000.00

Intermediate (grade8) and High School (grade 12) bursaries – 17 Individuals – \$5,800.00

Business support (Mentorship, plan development, accessing funding, strategic planning, Business Summit and Business Pitch) \$300,000.00 – Since 2023 36 entrepreneurs have received guidance and support for approximately \$9,768,000.00 in business development, business start up and /or expansion dollars.

We provided 3 micro-credential business workshops: topics business plan development, funding application support and n=bookkeeping and CRA

Medical travel support – 26 individuals accessing services - \$14,572.00

Special request support (for hearing aids, dentures, glasses and other medical devices) – 12 individuals - \$8,069.95

Extra-Curricular / Sponsorship - - 20 individuals - \$23,863.72.00

Supported councils with purchase for Cultural activities - \$40,000.00

Food securities provided to councils to support their citizens – 40,815.00

Purchase Activity Messenger Platform in order to better serve and communicate with our citizens

Meetings / Projects / Partnerships / Committee Participation / Other Activity

Quarterly AIMC Committee face to face meetings.

Monthly AIMC Committee meeting via zoom

A lot of email approvals for citizen and council support

Partnerships created or in progress with Dumas Contracting, Hancon mining, Perimeter Airways, Magris Talc Inc,

Attending PDAC, the Canadian Mining Expo, various site visits with IBAs

Participating in MNO programs or events for example Forestry, Climate change,etc

The AIMC / RCC committee attended AGM, community events

Other Comments