



Nunavut Teachers' Association  
Regular Meeting of Central Executive  
February 6, 2014  
NTA Boardroom / Conference Call  
Iqaluit, NU

February 6, 2014, 7:00 PM EST

**Present:**

Terry Young (Chair)  
Cody Prusky  
John Fanjoy  
Richard Kurtz  
Kim Masson  
Ed Flynn  
Jay McKechnie

NTA President  
NTA Vice President  
NTA Secretary - Treasurer  
Kitikmeot President  
C. Qikiqtani President  
S. Qikiqtani President  
N. Qikiqtani President

Emile Hatch  
Brian Barry (Minutes)

NTA Executive Director  
NTA Executive Assistant

**With Regrets:**

Rebecca Hainnu  
Jim Kreuger

NTA Inuit Member at Large  
Kivalliq President

**Quorum (5 members or greater) is present**

Section 1: Welcome: Terry Young welcomed Central Executive.

Section 2: Agenda

There were no proposed amendments to the agenda.

**Motion that the agenda for the February 6, 2014 regular meeting of Central Executive be adopted.**

**Moved:** Kim Masson  
**Seconded:** Ed Flynn  
*All in favor*  
**Carried**

Section 3: Approval of Minutes

There were no proposed amendments to the January 14 2014 Central Executive Minutes.

**Motion that Central Executive receive the minutes of the January 2014 Central Executive Meeting.**

**Moved:** Richard Kurtz  
**Seconded:** Ed Flynn  
*All in favor*  
**Carried**

Section 4: Business Arising from the January 2014 meeting.

No business arising from January meeting.

Section 5: Ongoing Business

NTA Strategic Plan Update

The main topics have been identified. A draft of the Strategic Plan is expected at the March Central Executive (CE) meeting.

Collective Bargaining Report (Terry/ Emile)

The GN bargaining team has exhausted their mandate. The NTA has requested the GN bargaining team ask for another mandate. If the GN bargaining team is unsuccessful, it is expected the next step would be mediation.

## Section 6: New Business

### Parent and Community Engagement Document (Terry)

Marsha Rhodes and Shontell MacInnis will sit with GN to look at the document produced by the GN on Parent and Community Engagement Partnership. The NTA members will help with the wording of the document.

### Staff Update (Emile)

Shannon Hessian is currently on approved Leave. She adopted a baby. She is on Adoption leave until at least November 28, 2014. This position is currently vacant. The NTA has discussed her vacant position with the ADM about a replacement. The NTA will utilize current staff Jeff Avery and Heather Campbell and engage them in extra duties as needed, especially before PD Week. Following PD Week it is expected the workload will lessen. A re-examination regarding the filling of this position will be addressed at the end of this school year. It was noted that Heather is engaged after working hours to do these extra duties.

### Regional Elections (Terry)

A Nominating Committee should be chosen for each region. A Standardized Election Package is available from NTA. Terry wants to send out a sample package for each region to use as a guide. All present Central Executive members agreed this was a good idea.

### NTA Awards (Jim)

Deferred until March due to Jim's absence.

### Curriculum Committee (Jim)

Jay spoke in Jim's absence. Jay would like Central Executive to contact the GN CS&S department on the curriculum's behalf. The committee would like to sit in on specific meetings with the GN. The committee has written a letter and would like it to be sent to the GN on the Curriculum's Committee's behalf. Central Executive will look at the letter before the next March Central Executive meeting.

It was also noted that the curriculum committee would like one member/school to volunteer as a curriculum liaison. However, it was noted that the creation of this volunteer position should be presented to Central Council as a bylaw resolution.

### Kivalliq Conference (Cody/Jim)

Cody gave an update on the conference. There have been a few "hiccups." However, things have been looking good overall.

## 2015 Qikiqtani Conference Coordinator (John)

At the last face-to-face NPIC meeting, this was discussed. It was noted that there has been a resistance in having a teacher coordinate this conference by the GN members of the NPIC.

There were three suggestions by members on the NPIC on how to coordinate the 2015 conference. They were:

1. Entertain bids from companies and individuals.
2. Put it out to individual people that would work with the conference committee.
3. Hire a teacher as the coordinator. (There would no consensus for option three on the committee. At that point it would go to the President and ADM for a decision.)

Questions/Comments:

What are the intentions of the GN at the Kivalliq conference? John thought the intentions were good.

A discussion ensued regarding the three options presented by the NPIC. It was noted that the GN does not support hiring a teacher.

It was the consensus of Central Executive that a teacher should be hired as the Qikiqtani Conference Coordinator.

## Section 7: NTA Executive Director's Report

### **Motion to meet in - camera**

**Moved:** Kim Masson  
**Seconded:** Richard Kurtz

### **Motion to return to regular meeting**

**Moved:** John Fanjoy  
**Seconded:** Ed Flynn

Emile updated Central Executive on membership protection issues.

Section 8: Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

**Motion to adjourn the January 2014 regular meeting of NTA Central Executive.**

**Moved:** Kim Masson

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM