

Special Board of Directors Meeting

26 April 2023

MS Teams Meeting



GENERAL MANAGEMENT

Nominee for Lieutenant Governor of Quebec's First People's Medal

The CBHSJB has been invited by the Lieutenant Governor of Quebec to submit nominations for the 2023 First people's Medal, in recognition of outstanding contributions by members of First Nations and Inuit Nations of Quebec. **The Board of Directors voted to nominate Bertie Wapachee, Chair of the CBHSSJB, as a candidate to receive this honour.** Mr. Wapachee has contributed to his community, the Cree Nation, and beneficiaries in Québec and elsewhere in Canada; and he has promoted to the well-being of his community by sustained efforts to develop healing pathways to support Miyupimaatisiun.



RC Mission Waskaganish Lands agreement

In 1948 the Quebec government purportedly granted certain rights in a parcel of land on the shore of the Rupert River in Waskaganish to the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of James Bay; these lands, known as the Waskaganish Mission lands (and which are Category III lands), have since been administered by various entities, and is currently purportedly held by the Amos Catholic diocese. The Diocese, and the RC Bishop of Amos, have agreed in principle to return the lands to the community. Waskaganish and the CNG are in discussions with the government of Quebec to ensure that these lands are designated for the exclusive use of Waskaganish, and as Category 1A lands. This involves a series of transfers of the lands – from the Amos Diocese to Waskaganish, from Waskaganish to Quebec, and then from Quebec to Canada. Then the federal government will designate the lands to be for the “Exclusive use and benefit of Waskaganish” as Category 1A lands.



RC Mission Waskaganish Lands agreement continued

The CBHSSJB, as well as the CNG, the Cree School Board, the Waaseskun Childcare and Family Services Centre and the Cree Nation of Waskaganish all have facilities on these lands, so it is important to ensure that the rights and obligations of the CBHSSJB and these other entities are protected once the transaction between the Amos Diocese and Waskaganish has been completed. Some legal interpretations could suggest that the facilities of the CBHSSJB and other entities are not in fact owned by them, so an agreement regarding the Waskaganish lands aims to ensure that these facilities do belong to their respective entities while also supporting the process to transform these lands to Category 1A lands. In addition, the agreement calls for the transfer from Waskaganish to the CBHSSJB and other entities the ownership and related rights to these facilities. In addition, environmental site assessments will be required to ensure that the environmental condition of the land meets legislative requirements for the intended use.

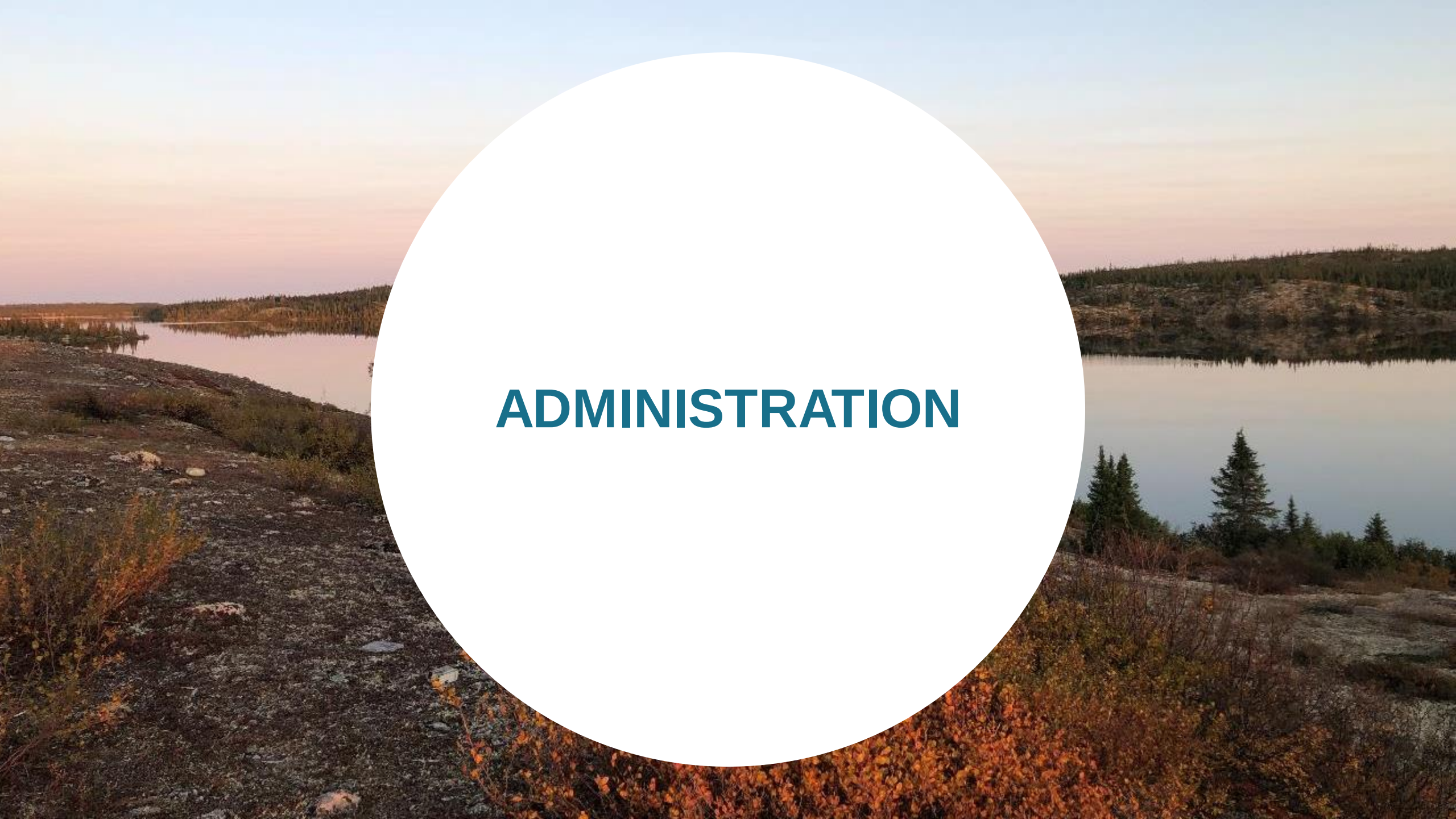
The Board voted to approve the proposed agreement regarding the Waskaganish Mission Lands.



Additional funds for English & French translation

At its December 2020 meeting the Board of Directors English and French translation and associated language services for three years, December 1, 2020, to November 30, 2023, plus one optional year, with a maximum approved cost of \$512,000. However, due to unanticipated communications needs necessitated by the pandemic and its aftermath, these funds were depleted earlier than anticipated. **Consequently, the Board has voted to approve additional funds of \$57,600 for English and French translation and other related language services until the end of November 2023 .**



A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake reflecting a soft, pastel sky at dusk or dawn. The foreground is a rocky, sparsely vegetated shore with some autumn-colored shrubs. In the background, a dense forest of evergreen trees lines the far shore. A large, white, semi-transparent circle is centered over the image, containing the word "ADMINISTRATION" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font.

ADMINISTRATION

Modifications to the Purchase of Mirage

In September 2022 the Board approved a proposal to purchase from Pourvoirie Mirage the buildings at Km 358, Route Transtaïga, Eeyou-Istchee Baie-James, Jamésie, Nord-du-Québec, for use in land-based healing services. However, Pourvoirie Mirage Inc. wished to sell its company shares rather than its assets, which, as a public entity, the CBHSSJB cannot purchase. Consequently, one of the Pourvoirie Mirage owners established 155856 Canada to purchase all the of Pourvoirie Mirage shares in order to present the CBHSSJB with the opportunity to purchase the assets. However, while this process increases the cost of the initial purchase, the purchase of these buildings still falls within the overall funding envelope of the MSSS for capital investments.

The Board of Directors approved the resolution to continue with the purchase of the buildings and lands at Km 358, Route Transtaïga and the accompanying agreement of lease of the lands on which the buildings are located with the Quebec Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources.



A scenic landscape photograph featuring a calm lake reflecting the sky, surrounded by a forest of evergreen trees. In the foreground, there is a rocky, sparsely vegetated shore with some autumn-colored shrubs. A large, white, semi-transparent circle is centered over the image, containing the text "PIMUHTEHU" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

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Service Agreement with Maria Zanti

The Board voted to approve a service agreement with Maria Zanti as a consultant providing clinical support to the Department of Youth Protection's clinical reviewers. The contract runs from May 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024.



Concordia Creative Arts Therapies Application

The Board voted to approve the Arts in Health Network partnership proposal between the CBHSSJB, Concordia University, the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne and Kiuna College. The partnership, led by Concordia University, proposes to establish a vibrant Arts in Health Satellite Network, over ten years and with a cost of \$17.8M, in order to foster healing and mental health through culturally relevant creative arts therapies. The proposal will be presented to the MasterCard Foundation.

This initiative accords with the Strategic Regional Plan's focus on mental health and its objective of increasing mental health services available in Eeyou Istchee. It would see the creation of creative arts therapies clinics in Indigenous communities across Quebec, and potentially across Canada, and will also train Indigenous creative arts therapists.



NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 14-15-16 2023 in Quebec City





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