



Heritage Saskatchewan Board Meeting Synopsis September 16, 2023

The Board of Directors of Heritage Saskatchewan met on the morning of Saturday, September 16, 2023, via Zoom web conferencing. Vice President Ian Worme provided an informative presentation on the Indian Act, how it has impacted the ability to establish healthy relations and partnerships between Indigenous peoples and Canada, and its historical and contemporary affectations and implications to everyday life for Indigenous peoples. The presentation opened interesting discussion on the rights of Indigenous peoples, and historic and contemporary injustices, as well as reinforced the important need for continuing education for Canadian people at all life stages, without limiting education to primary and post secondary students. The presentation further brought to mind the importance of reconciliation and calls to action.

Following the presentation, the Board continued to meet in order to conduct their regular business, including the passing of a motion to reaffirm our existing ENDS statement, "Living heritage is understood and recognised as integral to the wellbeing of all Saskatchewan citizens".

Diversity and inclusion continues to be a topic of discussion, as Heritage Saskatchewan aims to represent the many voices of our communities. We continue to be committed to responding thoughtfully to the TRC Calls to Action, the MMIWG Calls to Justice, and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Erin Folk,
President