



The First Nations and Métis Opportunities Committee's goal is to encourage, and foster relationships between First Nations and Métis Businesses, the Chamber, and the Business Community as a whole. We will provide networking opportunities within the business community as well as reach out to post-secondary institutions and their students to provide networking opportunities.

COMMITTEE MEETING ACTION SUMMARY

Committee: First Nations and Métis Opportunities Committee

Meeting Date: February 3rd, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Chair: Chris Sicotte

In Attendance: Ranga Ranganathan, Mathew Cey, Rob Johnston, April Roberts, Jennifer Lester, Monica Brunet, Toni Wheeler

Staff: Kent Smith-Windsor, Kevin Meldrum, Czarina Catambing

First Nations Mixer

1. Can we share information ahead of time? More preparation on marketing.
2. Participant list and contact list. Maybe during part of sign up part. Ask for
3. Need for remind people that format that 5 minutes is all they have.
4. There was value for each presenters, but you don't want to make it too commercial, so sponsorship maybe? Have to retain good conversations
5. Mathew: Put out events for whole year, and get sponsor for each one
 - a. Will exclude people interested to be involved
6. Venue is really good
7. Outcome in numbers: 18 people on waiting list and 2 people didn't. 64 went out of 70 people who RSVP

Sheldon Wuttunee – Saskatchewan First Nations Natural Resources Centre of Excellence

1. EXPORT
 - a. Online database to find access to employment, contracting opportunities, talent pool.
 - b. Streamlined to individuals and communities and provides career path through "More Opportunities" (e.g. education)

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- c. Two essential components: ability to create resume, supplies and contractors to create profile for company
- d. March 25th is launching at TCU Place
- e. Audience: 18 years old and over, in Saskatchewan
- f. Has tiered fee for subscribers, no cost to First Nations and Metis businesses
- g. Challenge: Populate platform with users and companies

Next Meeting:

Tuesday March 3rd, 2015

9:00 am, Large Boardroom

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