



ANISHINABEK  
GRAND COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS  
BIRCH ISLAND  
JUNE 21 - 25, 1982



MOTION #1:

MOVED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames  
SECONDED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island

THAT Charles Cornelius be appointed as Electoral Officer.

CARRIED.

MOTION #2:

MOVED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ray Rogers, Chippewas of Sarnia

THAT the term of Office for the Grand Council Chief be extended to a three-year term.

CARRIED.

MOTION #3:

MOVED BY: Mr. Howard Bannon, Fort William  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ray Rogers, Chippewas of Sarnia

THAT the election rules and procedures be accepted as amended.

CARRIED.

MOTION #4:

MOVED BY: Chief Peter Johnson, Serpent River  
SECONDED BY: Chief Doug Sinoway, Whitesand

THAT Joe Miskokomon be nominated for the Grand Council Chief.

CARRIED. (nomination accepted).



MOTION #5:

MOVED BY: Chief Ron Wakegijig, Wikwemikong  
SECONDED BY: Chief Christopher Owl, Spanish River

THAT Patrick Madahbee be nominated for the Grand Council Chief.

CARRIED.

MOTION #6:

MOVED BY: Chief James Mason, Saugeen  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames

THAT nominations be closed.

CARRIED.

MOTION #7:

MOVED BY: Chief Peter Johnson, Serpent River  
SECONDED BY: Chief James Mason, Saugeen

THAT the ballots be destroyed from the election for Grand Council Chief.

CARRIED.

MOTION #8:

MOVED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ray Rogers, Chippewas of Sarnia

WE the Chiefs and official delegates of the Anishinabek Nation assembled here, strongly re-recommend that all member Bands of the Anishinabek Nation revert to Band Custom Elections, and

FURTHER THAT each member band adopt election rules and regulations that will serve their membership's best interest.

CARRIED.

(Opposed - Councillor Eugene Manitowabi,  
Wikwemikong)



MOTION #9:

MOVED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island  
SECONDED BY: Chief Willard Noganosh, Magnetawan

WE the Chiefs of the Robinson Huron Region hereby resolve to investigate further the possibilities of Band Custom Elections by each individual Band.

CARRIED.

MOTION #10:

MOVED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Fred Simpson, Alderville

THAT all Bands represented by the Union of Ontario Indians offer full support to new Grand Council Chief, Joe Miskokomon.

CARRIED.

MOTION #11:

MOVED BY: Chief Phil Goulais, Nipissing  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Harvey Trudeau, Spanish River

THAT this Assembly of the Union of Ontario Indians and the Anishinabek Nation request that the Department of Indian Affairs fund and assist Chief Joe Hare of West Bay in his endeavours to protect his Aboriginal right to hunt and fish.

CARRIED.



MOTION #12:

MOVED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island  
SECONDED BY: Chief James Mason, Saugeen

THAT, Grand Council Chief Joe Miskokomon be nominated as one of our representatives on the Confederacy of Nations.

CARRIED.

MOTION #13:

MOVED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ray Rogers, Chippewas of Sarnia

THAT, Patrick Madahbee be nominated as the other representative on the Confederacy of Nations.

CARRIED.

MOTION #14:

MOVED BY: Mr. Eugene Manitowabi, Wikwemikong  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Roger Jones, Shawanaga

THAT, these Police Committees be properly funded.

CARRIED.

MOTION #15:

MOVED BY: Chief Norman Aguonie, Sheguiandah  
SECONDED BY: Chief Ether Deleary, Chippewas of the Thames

THAT, we request a thirty day time frame to review the revised ORLC mandate, and

FURTHERMORE THAT, each Band Council of the Union of Ontario Indians' membership state by resolution indicating support or disbandment of the ORLC. A majority vote will determine the decision.

CARRIED. (39 in favour, 12 opposed)



MOTION #16:

MOVED BY: Chief Norman Aguonie, Sheguiandah  
SECONDED BY: Chief Reno Dokis, Dokis

WHEREAS there was an agreement negotiated between the Chiefs of Superior, the Department of Indian Affairs and Parks Canada regarding issues related to Pukaskwa National Park, and

WHEREAS there were guarantees that Native People would have preference for job opportunities within the Park operation, and

WHEREAS the Chiefs would be consulted on matters that affect their communities in relation to the Park, and that the Park would not interfere with hunting, fishing and trapping of band members, and

WHEREAS it is noted that operating procedures and hiring practices of the park management have not respected the spirit of the Agreement signed by the Chiefs, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Grand Council Chief of the Anishinabek be directed to contact the Regional Director of Parks Canada, Mr. J. Christakos, to investigate these violations of the Agreement.

CARRIED.



MOTION #17:

MOVED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Ben Wawia, Lake Helen

WHEREAS the federal government intends to start discussions with the provinces on Indian Health delivery on reserves, and

WHEREAS the federal government has made statements on policy which indicates that they will transfer some health jurisdiction for Indians to the Provinces, and

WHEREAS the following statement on health issues have been made by the federal and provincial governments;

- 1) there is no federal legal responsibility for Indian Health which springs from Treaties or the Royal Proclamation of 1763,
- 2) Indian Health delivery on reserves must meet Canadian standards which are set by the different provinces,
- 3) there is a definite slow down giving up of government control of Indian Health to Band Councils,
- 4) the provinces will accept responsibility for Indian Health providing the federal government guarantee the federal trust financial responsibility for these services provided by the province, and

WHEREAS some Band Councils have already entered into some provincial health agreements.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek Nation direct the Grand Council Chief to negotiate a position on the issue of transfer of Indian Health services to the Provinces with the other Grand Chiefs of the Ontario Executive Council.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Executive Council then meet with the federal/provincial Health Minister's on Indian Health and the federal trust responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Health Staff of the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to initiate discussion with Band Councils who have already or who are planning to enter into Health Agreement with the Province of Ontario to point out the implications of such Provincial agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Health Staff of the Union of Ontario Indians bring that information for discussions for the Chiefs at the regional Chiefs meetings.

CARRIED.

MOTION #18:

MOVED BY: Mr. Ben Wawia, Lake Helen  
SECONDED BY: Chief Flora Tabobondung, Parry Island

WHEREAS there have been commercial fishing quota cut backs in the Lake Superior region,

AND WHEREAS there have been unfair allotment of fishing licenses based on the number of fishermen per licenses for Band Councils.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the President of the Union of Ontario Indians arrange for a meeting with Alan Pope, Minister of Natural Resources to discuss commercial fishing on Lake Nipigon and Lake Superior and that the meeting be held at Lake Helen reserve on July 19, 1982 in the evening, and it is to include the District Managers of that area of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

CARRIED.





MOTION #19:

MOVED BY: Chief Norman Aguonie, Sheguiandah  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Dick Pine, Elder, Garden River

THAT we the Chiefs and delegates show appreciation to Carol White and Esther Jocko for their fine efforts in co-ordinating this Grand Council Assembly.

CARRIED.