

Ke-ondaatiziying – How we will Sustain Ourselves 2014 Conference- FINAL REPORT



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How we will Sustain Ourselves 2014

September 16-18, 2014

A gathering of leaders to discuss cross-cultural collaboration
in sustainable economic development.

SEPTEMBER 16

Forest Inn, Sioux Lookout

SEPTEMBER 17-18

Lac Seul Event Centre,
Frenchmen's Head



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Lac Seul First Nation and the Municipality of Sioux Lookout were pleased and proud to have been chosen to host this 3rd annual conference. This conference was a gathering of leaders to discuss cross-cultural collaboration in sustainable economic development.

Sioux Lookout connects over 30,000 people in 29 remote northern First Nations communities to a state-of-the-art hospital and related health care, social and education services. This year the conference expanded its' scope to include both Treaty 3 and Treaty 9 territories.

The three (3) day conference focused on social and economic sustainability through the sharing of best practices, including:

- Health Care
- Education and Training
- First Nation-Municipal Economic Development Partnerships
- Resource Sector – Forestry & Mining

Where the Event objectives met? (Explain) Compare projected results versus actual results.

The Conference witnessed a gathering of professionals, entrepreneurs, business owners and public sector leaders from First Nation and Non-First Nation communities. Past conferences have focused on understanding and strengthening relationships between the two and identifying protocols for good business.

This year's conference focused on building on the successful partnerships built over the past few years and showcasing them in efforts to continue the development of strong collaboration between communities, organizations, enterprises and citizens in Treaty #3 and Treaty #9 areas.

The event was very successful, with an increase in participation and increased sponsorships.

	Projected	Actual
Sponsors	\$5,000	\$23,300
Delegates	\$8,000	\$ 5,300
Booths	\$3,500	\$ 1,500



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Who attended the Event?

Obishikokaang Resource Corporation

Nishnawbe-Gamik Friendship Centre

Cloverbelt Local Food Co-op

Confederation College - Sioux Lookout Campus

Lakehead University

Nishnawbe Aski Nation

City of Kenora

Wahsa Distance Education Centre

Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund

Eagle Lake First Nation

Kingfisher Lake Band

FedNor

Municipality of Machin

Ministry of Northern Development and Mines

Covello Wealth Management

Northwest Business Centre

Municipality of Machin

Diane Schwartz-Williams

Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre

CreeWest Limited Partnership

FedNor – Thunder Bay

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Municipality of Sioux Lookout

Yellowbird Construction

Sioux Lookout Economic Development
Commission

Bearskin Lake First Nation

Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (KI)

CANDO

Northern Policy Institute

Wabigoon Lake First Nation



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Number of people attending the Event: Forecast 80
Actual 53 + 30 guest speakers /honourary guests
Previous Years – 50+ - year one
40+ - year two

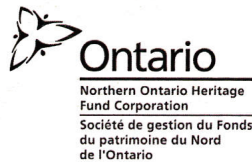
Describe who the attendees were.

Government Agencies, First Nation and Municipal Economic Developers, Community Leaders, Business and Industry

The 2014 Ke-Ondaatiziying Conference was graciously sponsored by the following organizations and partners:

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MEET AND GREET



Miigwech and Thank You to the 2014 Planning Committee:

Chief Clifford Bull, Lac Seul First Nation
Mayor Dennis Leney, Municipality of Sioux Lookout

Angelina Anderson, Confederation College
Barry King, Lac Seul Events Centre
Brad Hyslop, Sioux Lookout Economic Commission
Brenda Dovik, Nishnawbe-Gamik Friendship Centre
Brian Miles, PACE
Catherine Dashnay, MNDM
Chris Angeconeb, Lac Seul First Nation
Cuyler Cotton, Dovetail Resources
Debbie Lipscombe, Grand Council Treaty #3
Delores Day, Grand Council Treaty #3
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Conference Photos



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Survey Results

Of the over 80 people that attended the conference, 34 respondents completed the short survey that was provided at the end of the conference. Below are the survey results.

Overall, I am satisfied with this conference:

Scoring Scale	Score
1 – Strongly disagree	
2 – Disagree	
3 – Neutral	3
4 – Agree	17
5 – Strongly Agree	14

I would recommend this conference to others:

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1 – Strongly disagree	
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5 – Strongly Agree	17

Comments:

- *Very informative, helped with my understanding of First Nations past history, current needs and confirmed that there is a willingness to enter into mutually beneficial business arrangements.*
- *Great event! Great speakers and people. One suggestion: start on time or move the start time to 8:30 or 9:00 a.m. Thank you!*
- *Several presenters seemed more intent on selling their programs than suggesting how we could work together or talk about sustaining.*
- *Was not able to attend the full conference, but portion attended was enjoyable and related to theme.*
- *You need to attract more Anishnawbe! I was surprised to see that there was not many Anishnawbe.*
- *Start time too early for commuting, lovely facility on First Nation, each presentation should have evaluation.*



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- *Wonderful experience, abundant knowledge sharing, beginning of fruitful relationships. Thank you for this opportunity!*
- *Wished for more Far North representation. Question period after some speakers in Bear Room. Thank you very much – great energy in the rooms. Outstanding organization and services. What a great team you are.*
- *Great conference! Very informative and good networking.*
- *Excellent information, superb networking.*
- *Great presentations and topics, relative to current times and circumstances. Overall, job well done.*
- *Would have been good to see more on encouraging small business and entrepreneurs.*
- *Have the conference again next year.*
- *Have in different location.*
- *Great conference! Keep the ec. dev. focus*
- *Very well planned and delivered – food and hospitality services were excellent! Thank you to all the speakers – I enjoyed having the option to choose session topics.*
- *Excellent event – venue is perfect – presentations were excellent. Incredible atmosphere, very welcoming community. Loved the sharing spirit, kudos to all that worked so hard to put this together. Fish and bannock, what a treat! Many thanks!! Drummers were so good! Impressive community.*
- *Would have liked to have seen opportunity for break-out group/discussions on some of the topics – particularly two keynotes on Thursday. Lots of potential for good idea sharing. Good speakers throughout but too much sitting and listening. Wednesday was too long. Considering travel time to Lac Seul the day began at 7:00 a.m. and ended at 9 p.m. 1.5 hours between afternoon session ending and dinner was a bit long. Many people finding it difficult to concentrate. Dinner and other refreshments were great. If format and agenda the same next year, I am not sure I would attend or recommend. Two keynotes Thursday were excellent. Great teamwork between Sioux Lookout and Lac Seul First Nation. Good location and facilities.*



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- *Presentations were very informative and interacting. Was a good layout of group presentations and breakout sessions. One recommendation: shorten 1st day, 12 hours of conference plus travel is a long day. Remove dinner or make earlier. Put guest speaker at conclusion of conference. Dinner was fantastic. Great job to staff and organizers on a great, informative conference and to the community for hosting. It was good to have in Frenchman's Head.*
- *While it is interesting to hear of economic successes in First Nation such as Membertou, how does this relate to FN which are remote to large centres, roads? How can they develop a viable economy? Often places like Chief Louis community of Membertou are held up as the example. Unfortunately, they are unrealistic role models for the North. More is needed on the North itself. I wish too that there could be more talk about some of the social issues that plague the North, and how rapid economic development can exacerbate those problems, and what must happen for economic development to be truly beneficial.*
- *Start time too early given the drive to commute. End earlier after full day. Move traditional meal to lunch last day. Supper meal was delicious. Other meals, snacks were under expected level. Nice to be at First Nation but adjust schedule accordingly. Expected more showcasing of some of the regional and local partnerships which are moving us forward together.*

What long-term impacts do you anticipate the Event will have? Include learning outcomes if applicable. (Explain)

There was a clear indication that First Nation communities and Municipalities want to work together to support growth and economic benefit for the whole region. The belief that “what is good for one community is good for the other” resonated.

The long-term impacts include:

- Partnerships between First Nation and Mainstream Businesses
 - Rockex Mining is working with the Municipality of Sioux Lookout have entered into an agreement to pursue Foreign Direct Investors and are coordinating a Familiarization Tour and Investment Mission
- Wealth Management for the Far North
 - A New Wealth Management business is locating in Sioux Lookout to serve First Nation communities in the Far North and in the surrounding region
- Regional and National partnerships in Education



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- Cape Breton University and Lac Seul First Nation are entering a service agreement to provide the program, In.Business – A Business Network for Indigenous Youth for the Northwest region
- Cambrian College and Lac Seul are developing a Memorandum of Understanding
- Regional and National partnerships in Distribution
 - Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwig (KI), Lac Seul First Nation and Municipality of Sioux Lookout signed an agreement to work collectively on the development of a regional, cooperative food and goods distribution centre to serve the region and the 29 Far North communities north of Sioux Lookout.
- Stronger Relationships
 - Shared services agreements with Aboriginal communities secured
 - Understanding Aboriginal and treaty rights
 - Engagement is a process that should aim to develop a common understanding of shared interests, concerns, expectations and responsibilities.



Signing of the CEDI Agreement, Regional Distribution Centre



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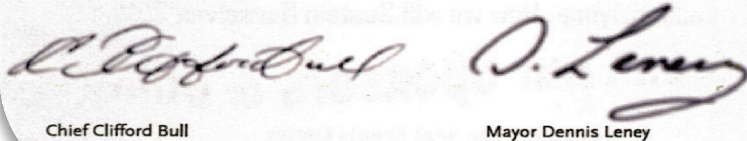
Conference Agenda

Welcome Boozhoo

Thank you for coming to Keondaatiziying – How We Will Sustain Ourselves Conference 2014. This conference is a continuation of a conversation that began 140 years ago with the signing of the Treaty. Through the Treaty document, our futures are inextricably linked together.

In 2001, Mayors and Chiefs, the leadership in the Treaty 3 area, met in Kenora and developed a document called Common Principles leading to cooperation between aboriginal and municipal leaders. In 2008, a "Joint Proclamation on Renewed Treaty Based Relations" was signed. As a result of these events exploring relationships based on the Treaty, the need for a conference focusing solely on economic relationships originated. In 2011, the first Keondaatiziying: "How we will sustain ourselves" Treaty 3 Economic Opportunities Conference was held in Kenora. At the 2013 Conference, Chief Bull and Mayor Leney presented the Sioux Lookout Friendship Accord, which truly represented the spirit and intent of our treaty.

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout and Lac Seul First Nation are pleased to be hosting this year's event and are especially proud of how the scope of the conference has evolved and is inclusive of all Treaty people in the Northwest region. We have reached a place where we can showcase how we are following a path to restore our political, economic and cultural partnerships. We are all Treaty People.



Chief Clifford Bull Mayor Dennis Leney

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre – Tour www.slmhc.on.ca/about
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Meet & Greet – Early Registration EMCEE Intro Mayor DENNIS Thank you to attendees Forest Inn

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

7:30 am to 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	EMCEE Opens by thanking everyone. EMCEE Intro drummers and elder Drummers
8:30 a.m.	Elder – Opening Prayer EMCEE Intro Chief Bull Chief Bull to Intro



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9:15 – 10:00 a.m.	<p>Opening Ceremonies Chief Paul Watts, Grand Council Treaty #3 Chief Clifford Bull, Lac Seul First Nation Mayor Dennis Leney, Municipality of Sioux Lookout</p> <p>Chief EMCEE Intro Russ The State of the Lac Seul Forest and Industry Partnerships Russ Hughes Obishikokaang Resources Corp Bear Room</p>	
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Break – Sponsored by CEDI – MC to intro CEDI	
10:30 am to 12:00 pm	Concurrent Session Northern Local Food Distribution System Jen Springett, President Cloverbelt Local Food Co-op Moose Room	Concurrent Session Building Industry Partnerships Chris Angecone Lac Seul Economic Development Manager Wolf Room
12:00 pm to 1:30 pm	<p>Lunch – Sponsored by Northwest Training and Adjustment Board</p> <p>Keynote Address: Blaine Bouchard Senior Policy Analyst, Ring of Fire Secretariat http://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/en/ring-fire-secretariat Bear Room</p>	
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm	Concurrent Session Mobile Trades Training – Going Places Richard Ouellet Director of the Wabnode Centre for Aboriginal Services Cambrian College http://www.cambriancollege.ca/ Moose Room	Concurrent Session Rockex Mining Corporation A New Iron Ore Company In Canada 100km northeast of Sioux Lookout Pierre Gagne, Chairman www.rockexmining.com/ Wolf Room
3:00 pm to 3:15 pm	Break – Sponsored by The Municipality of Sioux Lookout	
3:15 pm to 4:45 pm	Concurrent Session Brad to intr Statistical Tools Supporting Economic Development: Providing Your Business Case Garnett Genuis Abingdon Research http://www.abingdon.ca/our-firm/what-we-do/ Moose Room	Concurrent Session Mapping & Distribution of Local Food in Northwestern Ontario Dr. Connie Nelson Lakehead University Jen Springett, President Cloverbelt Local Food Co-op http://www.foodsecurityresearch.ca/index.php?pid=15 Wolf Room



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6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	<p>Gala Dinner: Sponsored by Patricia Area Community Endeavors</p> <p>MC to intro Opening Prayer</p> <p>Clifford to intro Keynote Address: Grand Chief Harvey Yesno Nishnawbe Aski Nation Bear Room</p>
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Thursday, September 18, 2014

7:30 am to 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast	
8:00 am to 9:00 am	<p>MC to intro Brian Smith National General Manager Purdy Crawford Chair in Aboriginal Business Studies Cape Breton University http://www.cbu.ca/crawford Bear Room</p>	
9:00 am to 10:00 am	<p>MC to intro Richard Paul Community of Membertou First aboriginal community in the world to receive ISO: 9001-2008 certification and their businesses continue to develop. http://www.membertoucorporate.com/ Bear Room</p>	
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Break – Sponsored by The Government of Ontario	
10:30 am to 11:30 am	<p>Concurrent Session Health Care: A Driver for Economic Development Jenn Maki, Vice President of Quality and Support Services & Doug Lawrence, Engineering Consultant http://www.slmhc.on.ca/ Moose Room</p>	<p>Concurrent Session First Nation-Municipal Community Economic Development Initiative Morgan Bamford, CANDO/CEDI Program Coordinator http://www.edo.ca/about-cando Wolf Room</p>
11:30 am – 12 noon	<p>MC to intro Introduction to the Regional Distribution Centre Project First Nation-Municipal Community Economic Development Initiative Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwig First Nation Lac Seul First Nation Municipality of Sioux Lookout Bear Room</p>	



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12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Closing Ceremonies MC to intro Chief Clifford Bull & Mayor Dennis Leney Travelling Song Bear Room Bag Lunch Provided – Sponsored by Lac Seul First Nation</p>
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Presentations:

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[Cloverbelt Local Food Co-op \(PowerPoint - 1.9 Mb\)](#)

[Garnet Genius - Conference Worksheet \(PDF - 120 Kb\)](#)

[Garnet Genius \(PDF - 1.2 Mb\)](#)

[Health Care as an Economic Driver \(PowerPoint - 11.7 Mb\)](#)

[Mayor Leney and Chief Bull \(JPG - 296 Kb\)](#)

[Northwestern Ontario Local Food Distribution System \(PDF - 4.2 Mb\)](#)

[CEDI Presentation \(PowerPoint - 1.8 Mb\)](#)

[Purdy Crawford Presentation \(PowerPoint - 1.1 Mb\)](#)

[Obishikokaang Resources - Lac Seul Forest \(PowerPoint - 11.9 Mb\)](#)

[Rockex Mining \(PDF - 1.6 Mb\)](#)

[Signing Agreement \(JPG - 308 Kb\)](#)



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LAC SEUL FIRST NATION

Would like to cordially welcome all conference participants and is proud to launch this year's event

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Location: Lac Seul Events Centre
Hosted in the community of Frenchman's Head

Presented by Chief & Council in collaboration with The Corporation of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout.



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Sioux Lookout Municipal Economic Development Office
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