

Agenda Item: Special Resolution – Amendment to By-Laws

Reference: Article 2.4(c) – Associate Member

Purpose:

To consider and, if deemed appropriate, approve a proposed amendment to Article 2.4(c) of the Society’s by-laws to expand eligibility for Associate Membership to individuals with family ties to Kelly Lake.

Background:

The current by-law under Article 2.4(c) provides criteria for Associate Membership. The proposed amendment aims to recognize and include individuals with familial or ancestral connections to Kelly Lake—through blood, marriage, or legal guardianship—even if they do not meet the criteria for Lifetime Membership.

Current Wording of Article 2.4(c):

Associate Member: An individual who supports the objectives of the Kelly Lake Métis Settlement Society but does not qualify for Lifetime Membership. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in Métis culture and community involvement. The Board of Directors may establish additional criteria as deemed necessary. An Associate membership card will be issued upon approval of their application.

Proposed Amended Wording of Article 2.4(c):

Associate Member: An individual who supports the objectives of the Kelly Lake Métis Settlement Society but does not qualify for Lifetime Membership. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in Métis culture and community involvement. Individuals with family ties to Kelly Lake—whether by blood, marriage, or through a parent or legal guardian—are eligible to apply for Associate Membership. The Board of Directors may establish additional criteria and shall have discretion in approving applications as deemed necessary. An Associate membership card will be issued upon acceptance.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 2.4(c) of the by-laws of the Kelly Lake Métis Settlement Society be repealed and replaced with the amended wording as stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the amendment take effect immediately upon approval by a majority vote of the members present at the Annual General Meeting.

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Discussion:

[To be filled in during AGM]

Vote Result:

☐ Carried

☐ Defeated