



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF  
**OJIBWE INDIANS**

*Education Division*

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**COMMISSIONER'S ORDER # 929-01**

**A COMMISSIONER'S ORDER TO CREATE A  
DISTRICT III EDUCATION ADVISORY TASK  
FORCE TO SERVE IN A FACT FINDING AND  
OVERSIGHT CAPACITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
PROMOTING AN INTERACTIVE PROCESS OF  
PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR  
EDUCATIONAL NEEDS, PLANNING, EVALUATION  
AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OF THE MILLE  
LACS BAND OF OJIBWE.**

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 4MLBSA sec. 4 states that the Commissioner of Education is an executive officer; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 4MLBSA sec. 7(I) states that executive officers shall have the general authority to take measures as are deemed necessary to prevent any action which threatens the well-being of programs within their respective jurisdiction, by the issuance of commissioner's orders; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 4MLBSA sec. 7(h) states that the executive officers shall have the general authority to issue commissioner's orders on any subject matter within their jurisdiction pursuant to the authority conferred by Band Statute. Such written statement shall be uniform format, numbered consecutively and have the effective and expiration dates affixed thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 4 MLBSA sec. 7(g) states that executive officers shall have the general authority to prescribe procedures for the development of policy in the area under their respective jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 9 MLBSA sec. 16 states that the Commissioner of Education may do all things deemed by him as desirable in the preservation or protection of education facilities or educational matters through the issuance of Commissioner's Orders, and

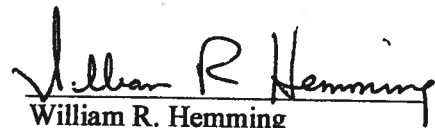
**WHEREAS**, there exists a need to provide a mechanism to act in an advisory capacity to the Commissioner of Education where the widest range of community input and departmental expertise can be shared, insuring the quality control of current and future educational planning and development efforts.

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, by the authority vested in me by the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, I, William Hemming, Commissioner of Education for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, hereby adopt the following attached task force structure and operational procedures on behalf of the District III education task force and the Mille Lacs Band.

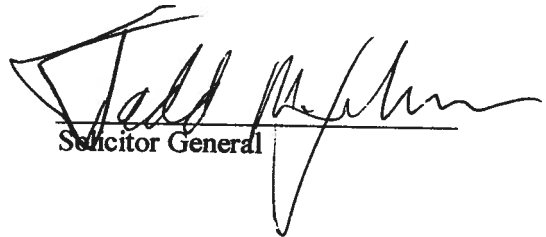
DATED at Vineland, Minnesota. This twenty- second day of May, in the year two thousand and one

EFFECTIVE: IMMEDIATELY

EXPIRATION: NONE

  
William R. Hemming  
Commissioner of Education

APPROVED AS TO FORM,  
EXECUTION AND NUMBERING

  
Solicitor General

OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND

## **PURPOSE.**

The District III education task force will serve the Commissioner of Education as an over site and fact finding committee, to assist the Commissioner in determining the viability of programs and /or projects assigned to the task force by the commissioner for evaluation and development potential.

## **COMMITTEE COMPOSITION.**

### **Elder participation.**

Elder participation will be unlimited and will follow no appointment process other than an elder's willingness to serve.

The task force will act only in an advisory capacity to the Commissioner of Education and will not supercede or interfere with any existing authority, board, committee, task force, group or council.

The task force will be comprised of no less than (three) 3 band members from District III to serve as community members. Members will be solicited by the Commissioner and recommended by the Band Assembly Representative from District III. The community task force members will represent the interests of the District Representative, their community and the Mille Lacs Band at large.

Urban Band Member Task Force representation will be determined by consultation between the Commissioners of Education and Administration and the community task force.

The Commissioner of Administration, The Commissioner of Finance, The Commissioner of Community Development, The Commissioner of Corporate Affairs, The Commissioner of Natural Resources, The Commissioner of Health and Human Services, The Commissioner of Finance and The Commissioner of Education, or their representative(s), may also be members to insure continuity, input, technical assistance and to act as a clearing house for the educational needs of District III and the Mille Lacs Band at large.

## **TASK FORCE SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY**

Under the direction of the Commissioner of Education the task force will review, evaluate and comment on projects and development based on educational expansion and need.

Under the direction of the Commissioner of Education the task force will develop program/project goals and objectives and design strategies to meet objectives.

Under the direction of the Commissioner of Education the task force will prepare and disseminate public information material, including reports, working papers, newsletters and press releases.

The District III task force will develop and implement surveys, needs assessments, feasibility studies, land use, capital improvement and strategic plans, for review and action by the Commissioner of Education.

The task force will assist the Commissioner of Education in providing communication and coordination with the Departments and Branches of the Mille Lacs Band, as well as other education systems, communities, Federal and State agencies and the public.

The task force will provide a vehicle for Band Member participation into the planning process.