



**KWAYACIIWIN**  
Education Resource Centre  
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**Annual General Meeting**  
March 27-28, 2018

**RESOLUTION #06/2018**  
**Acceptance of Concept Paper and Final Report**

**WHEREAS** on January 26, 2017, the Kwayaciiwin Education Resource Centre (KERC) was given a one-year mandate by the Chiefs-in-Assembly “to explore concepts and options for transforming the on-reserve education system to a district education authority”; and

**WHEREAS** between January and April 2017, KERC coordinated the consultation of the 13 KERC communities to collect and record feedback from community members representing managers, professionals and parents on the delivery of support services to the Kindergarten to Grade 8 programs; and

**WHEREAS** in July 2017, based on the initial community consultations, the Kwayaciiwin Education Resource Centre produced a Concept Paper outlining:

- (1) current problems related to education underfunding,
- (2) the administrative and professional benefits of establishing a regional school board,
- (3) detailed descriptions of First Nations “Best Practices” in other provinces, and
- (4) three proposed governance options – Option 1: Status Quo, Option 2: District School Board, and Option 3: Fee for Service; and

**WHEREAS** on November 20, 2017, the Kwayaciiwin Education Resource Centre produced a Final Report based on a Community Engagement process in all 13 KERC communities which confirmed that 82.4% of responses to the surveys indicated support for Option 2 – District School Board; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chiefs-in-Assembly accept the *Concept Paper: Options for Developing a First Nations School Board* as well as the *Final Report* as presented.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018 in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

Moved by: Sadie McKay  
(Proxy, Sadie McKay, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug)

Seconded by: David Masakeyash  
(Chief David Masakeyash, Mishkeegogamang)

Chairperson: Jim Chapman