



SQ'EWÁ:LXW FIRST NATION

SKAWAHLOOK

Proposed Amendment of the Skawahlook First Nation the Membership Code 2018

The authority of the Sq'ewá:lxw First Nation to govern its membership flows from the Creator to the people of the Sq'ewá:lxw, and from the people to the Chief and Council according to the culture, traditions, customs and laws of the Sq'ewá:lxw First Nation.

Consultation and Amendment Process

The current Membership Code has been in force since 1985. On September 7, 2018, a petition signed by 10% of the eligible electorate of the Skawahlook First Nation was submitted to the Enrollment Officer, initiating the amendment process, pursuant to section 8.1 of the current Membership Code.

The proposed amendments include:

- Removal of the requirements for descendants of Skawahlook to have Indian status (status that is derived from the *Indian Act*);
- Clarification to sections that were unclear in the current Membership Code;
- Creation of application forms;
- Clarification of decision making process for applications and revocations; and
- Changes to the amendment procedure.

NOTICE

A final meeting of Members is scheduled for September 29, 2018 at 10:30 am in the Government House at Sto:lo Nation located at 8B - 7201 Vedder Road, Chilliwack, V2R 4G5.

At this meeting, the proposed amendments will be presented, and our lawyer will be available to answer questions.

A vote on the proposed amendments will be held on October 27, 2018.

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