



Kenora District Services Board

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NEWS RELEASE

The Board of Directors wish to advise that the development of a multi-year Strategic Plan for the organization has commenced with a two-day planning session held at Red Indian Lodge in Sioux Narrows having just been completed.

The session, attended by the Board of Directors and the Senior Management Team, was facilitated by Prairie Edge Management Inc. The comprehensive session included an overview of strategic areas of focus and the role of the Board of Directors in setting strategic objectives. In particular the Mission, Vision, Values, Strategic Directions, Business Planning and Operational Planning were reviewed. The session included plenary discussions to develop Strategic Themes to identify/clarify priorities and opportunities. In addition 'break-out' groups reviewed and discussed Strategic Directions and associated initiatives as well as their resource requirements, responsibilities and gaps in current ability to deliver.

Board Chair, Rory McMillan stated "that this Strategic Planning event has been long overdue. This session has definitely put the board in a position to ensure that our services meet the needs of the citizens within the district. We will achieve this by maximizing our resources in an effective and efficient manner. I want to thank my colleagues and members of the senior management team for their thoughtful contributions to the process."

The Board will hold a second session in September to develop a draft Strategic Plan with the final Plan scheduled for adoption in October 2009.