

News Release

30 resolutions debated; President acclaimed

November 22, 2011 – Over 900 delegates debated are registered for the AMM 13th Annual Convention taking place at the Keystone Centre in Brandon this week. Today, they participated in the first of four scheduled resolution sessions.

Today's session saw 30 of 67 resolutions debated, with 25 of those being carried and 5 being defeated. Defeated resolutions were #2, #4, #24, #27 and #29.

One resolution - #15 – was amended slightly. Rather than call on the AMM to lobby the Province of Manitoba for an increase in funding for library boards from \$8:50 to \$10.00, it now asks for an annual or bi-annual re-evaluation of the formula to better reflect the cost of library services.

One defeated resolution generating some discussion was #27, calling on the AMM to lobby the Province of Manitoba to provide greater funding to local regional health authorities for the purpose of funding the retention and recruitment of health care professionals. Reeve Randy Lints, RM of Hamiota, commented that he would “rather lobby the Province to stop the downloading of something that is not our responsibility.”

Three additional resolutions sessions are scheduled for Wednesday, November 23. They take place at 10:45 am, 1:30 pm, and 2:45 pm (if needed).

In other Convention news, Doug Dobrowolski, Councillor for the RM of Macdonald, was acclaimed to serve a fourth term as AMM President.

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