

SPEAKING NOTES FPGI AGM: OCTOBER 24 – 25, 2019

Greetings Elders, Chiefs, Training Coordinators, Guests.

On behalf of FPGI, it's a pleasure to welcome you today and open this meeting.
I am the FPGI Board President, Ethel Anderson, and I am from Pinaymootang First Nation.

I am pleased to present the 2018-19 Annual Report.

Over the past year, there has been a tremendous amount of achievements with the Aboriginal Skills and Employment Training Strategy (ASETS), as well as proposal based projects.

For fiscal year 2018-19, ASETS trained 3,399 clients achieving 99% of the 3,425 clients projected. 2,244 clients returned to school or became employed.

FPGI proposal based projects included:

- Licenced Practical Nursing (LPN) program – registered 30 participants, graduated 16;
- First Nation Youth Summit, in partnership with Indigenous Services Canada and the National Screening Institute – provided 102 Youth from 51 First Nations communities the opportunity to learn how to *write a proposal, develop a project plan and learn multimedia products*;
- Welding program – recruited 13 participants, 9 currently in the program;
- Enbridge Welding Camps – recruited 45 participants, 38 completed
- Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel Project – Class 1 Truck Driving, Heavy Equipment Operator and Construction Employment Prep Program – recruited 82 participants, 64 completed;
- FPGI Robotics Lego EV3 Program – 441 participants in 20 First Nations completed.

661 Participants successfully completed the proposal based training programs.

Thank you to the Board of Directors for their guidance and contributions in ensuring this years' success. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would also like to thank the Sub-Agreement Holders and our valued partners; industry, government and service providers for your continued support and commitment.

We look forward to the new Indigenous Skills and Employment Training (ISET) program for First Nations people to gain more employment or seek further post-secondary education.

Thank you,

Ethel Anderson,

FPDI Board President
Pinaymootang First Nation HRD.