



PIMACHIOWIN AKI


WORLD HERITAGE PROJECT

The Land that Gives Life

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Annual Report 2016





PIMACHIOWIN AKI IS OJIBWE FOR THE *Land that Gives Life* (pim MATCH cho win - ahh KEY)

PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION

Pimachiowin Aki Corporation is a non-profit organization. We are working to achieve international recognition for an Anishinaabe cultural landscape in the boreal forest in central Canada as a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Site.

Members of the Pimachiowin Aki Corporation include the First Nations of Bloodvein River, Little Grand Rapids, Pauingassi and Poplar River, and the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario.

THE CORPORATION'S MISSION

"To acknowledge and support the Anishinaabe culture and safeguard the boreal forest; preserving a living cultural landscape to ensure the well-being of the Anishinaabe who live here and for the benefit and enjoyment of all people."



THE CORPORATION'S OBJECTIVES

- To create an internationally recognized network of linked protected areas (including aboriginal ancestral lands) which is worthy of UNESCO World Heritage inscription;
- To seek support and approval from governments of First Nations, Ontario, Manitoba, and Canada to complete the nomination process and achieve UNESCO designation;
- To enhance cooperative relationships amongst members in order to develop an appropriate management framework for the area; and
- To solicit governments and private organizations in order to raise funds to implement the objectives of the Corporation.



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MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

This report reviews the activities of the Pimachiowin Aki Corporation for 2016. The Board of Directors has overseen the Corporation's activities during this period.

We learned in May 2016 that the Advisory Bodies to the World Heritage Committee had recommended inscription of Pimachiowin Aki on the World Heritage List. This exciting news brought us very close to fulfilling the goal we have worked toward for a decade, and much of our work this year was premised on Pimachiowin Aki becoming a World Heritage Site.

Following the unexpected departure of Pikangikum First Nation from our partnership, and the World Heritage Committee's decision in July to refer the nomination back to Canada, we resolved to continue to move forward with a modified nominated area. Our goal was to bring Pimachiowin Aki back to the attention of the World Heritage Committee at the earliest possible date. Our good friend, Dr. Christina Cameron, wrote to us from Istanbul, Turkey, to share some of the remarkable comments made about Pimachiowin Aki at this year's World Heritage Committee meeting:

IUCN: "This nomination is a watershed in representing the seamless links between culture and nature, and traditional management."

Portugal: "This example should be underlined. I congratulate the First Nations for driving forward the nomination and Canada for taking First Nations into consideration."

Finland: "Finland congratulates Canada for its responsible action. This is an extraordinary World Heritage Site and the participation of First Nations in its management cannot be emphasized enough."

Based on advice received from the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies, we are preparing a new nomination for the inscription of Pimachiowin Aki on the World Heritage List.

We acknowledge and sincerely thank all of our supporters.



William Young, Director
Bloodvein River First Nation



Bruce Bremner, Assistant Deputy Minister
Manitoba Sustainable Development





BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ADVISORS AND STAFF

CO-CHAIRS



WILLIAM YOUNG is the Director from Bloodvein River First Nation. William is Project Manager for Bloodvein First Nation Construction Inc. He also owns and operates Bloodvein River Lodge and is Chair of Eastside Aboriginal Sustainable Tourism Inc. of Manitoba. He is a former Chief and served as Band Councillor for four terms.



BRUCE BREMNER represents Manitoba on the Board of Directors. He has worked for the Manitoba government for 35 years in a variety of positions and locations in northern, western, and eastern Manitoba. During his career, Bruce has worked as a Park Ranger, Park Planner, Park Manager and Director of the Eastern Region. His current position is the Assistant Deputy Minister of Regional Services and Parks, which includes responsibility for the wildland fire program, natural resource enforcement and compliance program, and parks operations and policy development.

DIRECTORS



AUGUSTINE KEEPER of Little Grand Rapids is his community's Land Use Planner. Born in Winnipeg, he was educated in both Winnipeg and in his community and is fluent in Ojibwe. Previously he worked for several years at the nursing station in his community.



GRAEME SWANWICK has been a member of the Pimachiowin Aki Board of Directors and treasurer since its inception in 2006. Graeme has been an Ontario Public Servant for 25 years and is currently the district manager for the Red Lake District of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.



JOE OWEN of Pauingassi First Nations served as Chief for six years before becoming his community's Lands Coordinator. His varied career includes being a Health Care Representative taking care of birthing mothers and sick children before his community had a nursing station.



ED HUDSON of Poplar River First Nation is a business owner and former elected Band Councillor serving eight terms. He has managed transportation, housing, education and training projects for his community. He has also been a Justice of the Peace and Magistrate.





ADVISORS



ALISON HAUGH is a corporate resource planner with Manitoba Conservation, working on traditional area Crown land use plans. Alison provides land use planning expertise on provincial policy and legislation



MARILYN PECKETT is the Field Unit Superintendent for Parks Canada in Manitoba responsible for the operation of Wapusk National Park and nine national historic sites, most notably Lower Fort Garry and The Forks.



RAY RABLIAUSKAS of Poplar River First Nation was his community's Land Use Planner for more than a decade, directed by community elders. He has also worked as an advisor for Southeast Tribal Council serving several First Nations in Manitoba.



THANKS TO STEPHEN BARG

We express our sincere thanks to Stephen Barg, formerly with IISD, for his years of service as an Advisor to the Board of Directors.

STAFF



GORD JONES is the Project Manager for the Pimachiowin Aki World Heritage Project. He joined the Pimachiowin Aki Corporation in 2007 following a career in the Manitoba public service in parks and forestry.



SOPHIA RABLIAUSKAS is a member of the Poplar River First Nation and formerly has served as Community Coordinator and spokesperson for the Pimachiowin Aki World Heritage Project. She currently assists the organization on a part-time basis. She has been a member of the Band Council for Poplar River and has been recognized internationally for her environmental and community work.



HISTORY

In 2002, Little Grand Rapids, Poplar River and Pauingassi First Nations of Manitoba and Pikangikum First Nation of Ontario – signed a document called the *Protected Areas and First Nations Resource Stewardship: A Cooperative Relationship Accord (the Accord)*. Through the Accord the First Nations agreed to work together to propose lands within their traditional territories as a World Heritage Site. A short time later, Bloodvein River First Nation also signed the Accord. These First Nations are linked by a shared Anishinaabe/Ojibwe culture and identity.

The *Accord* states, “Our First Nations are joining together in the spirit of cooperation and mutual respect. We are joining together so that we may support each other and work together in our shared vision of protecting the ancestral lands and resources of our respective First Nations.”

As part of the *Accord*, the First Nations committed to “cooperatively pursue the shared objective of creating an internationally recognized and designated network of linked protected areas on our ancestral lands” and to “seek support and recognition for our network of linked protected areas in the form of UNESCO World Cultural Heritage and World Natural Heritage designation.” The study and planning area for this proposed World Heritage Site encompassed over 40,000 square kilometres.

Following the *Accord’s* approval by the First Nations, the provincial governments of Ontario and Manitoba joined with the First Nations to develop a submission to Parks Canada, the government agency responsible for the World Heritage program in Canada. In May 2004, Parks Canada published its new Tentative List of sites that would be forthcoming from Canada to the World Heritage Centre over the next 10 years. The Pimachiowin Aki site was included on that list.

The next major milestone was the creation of the Assembly of Partners, which originated in a meeting held in December 2004. The First Nations and the provincial governments all met and agreed that a formal process should commence to develop the nomination document.

The Pimachiowin Aki Corporation was incorporated in 2006 as a legal entity that could manage money, attain charitable status, hire employees and consultants, and generally undertake all of the work necessary for

the development of the nomination package. A Project Manager was hired in April 2007 and work began on further defining the approach to the project, the recruitment of project teams and the development of the background information required to complete the nomination.

The Board of Directors oversaw the development of the Pimachiowin Aki nomination dossier between 2007 and 2012. The Pimachiowin Aki nominated area encompasses 33,400 square kilometres of land and water in the North American boreal shield. The nominated area is comprised of the protected areas established in First Nation planning areas as well as Atikaki Provincial Park in Manitoba, and Woodland Caribou Provincial Park and the Eagle-Snowshoe Conservation Reserve in Ontario. During this same period, the First Nations prepared land management plans for their traditional territories with provincial support. Manitoba and Ontario each introduced new legislation to enable all First Nations in the Pimachiowin Aki region to create and implement land management plans.

IUCN and ICOMOS carried out a field mission to Pimachiowin Aki in 2012 as part of the technical evaluation of the nomination. In May 2013, these Advisory Bodies recommended that the nomination of Pimachiowin Aki be deferred. The Board of Directors, in concert with Parks Canada, after careful review of the Advisory Bodies’ evaluation reports, decided to let the nomination stand on the agenda of the 37th session of the World Heritage Committee held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in June 2013.

The World Heritage Committee upheld the Advisory Bodies’ recommendation to defer the nomination and suggested that Canada invite a joint ICOMOS and IUCN Advisory Mission in order to address issues raised during the evaluation. The Committee also requested the World Heritage Centre, in consultation with the Advisory Bodies, to examine options for changes to the criteria and/or to the Advisory Body evaluation process to address broader concerns resulting from the Pimachiowin Aki evaluation process, and to discuss this matter during the Committee’s 38th session in 2014.

The Advisory Mission to Pimachiowin Aki was held in October 2013 and a joint ICOMOS/IUCN report on the mission was issued in November 2013.





A new Pimachiowin Aki nomination dossier was submitted to the World Heritage Center in January 2015. The 39th session of the World Heritage Committee in July 2015 marked a number of significance changes in World Heritage processes. The Pimachiowin Aki project has been a catalyst for change.

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on January 13, 2016, in Winnipeg, this meeting was well attended by First Nation community members and representatives of the provincial government partners.

Simon Hall of Simon Hall Chartered Accountants, Auditor to Pimachiowin Aki, joined the AGM to present the 2015 financial statements.

The meeting included presentations on the World Heritage Advisory Body field mission to Pimachiowin Aki in August 2015 and the Corporation's data library managed by HTFC Planning and Design. A planning team forum provided the opportunity for Lands Coordinators and members of First Nation planning teams to present information on programs and priorities from the past year. Finally, there was a brief presentation on potential fundraising activities related to the inscription of Pimachiowin Aki.

COMPLETING THE INSCRIPTION PROCESS

Pimachiowin Aki's possible inscription on the World Heritage List at the 40th Session of the World Heritage Committee in Istanbul, Turkey, in July 2016, was highly anticipated. As a result, the Corporation's efforts were directed at the completion of the inscription process, including planning for celebratory events, media relations, public information, fundraising and attendance at the Committee meeting in Istanbul. A number of these activities are discussed in other sections of this report.

40TH SESSION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Given the unforeseen circumstances respecting Pikangikum First Nation, the Committee was asked to refer the nomination back to Canada to consider potential options.

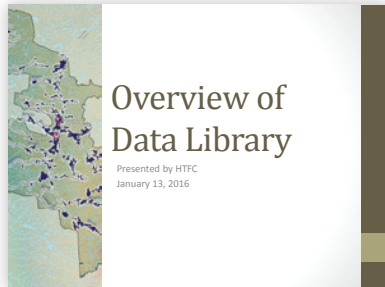
In its written decision to refer the nomination, the Committee expressed appreciation for the combined efforts of the State Party, First Nations, and all authorities and stakeholders in deepening the understanding of nature-culture connections in the context of the *World Heritage Convention*.

The Committee commended Canada for a landmark nomination for sites nominated through the commitment of Indigenous peoples, and confirmed that Pimachiowin Aki meets the conditions of integrity and authenticity, has adequate protection and management, and justifies Outstanding Universal Value on the basis of World Heritage criteria (iii), (vi) and (ix).

ACTIVITIES FOLLOWING THE SESSION

The Pimachiowin Aki partners decided to move forward with a revised boundary for the nominated area, based on confirmation of Pikangikum First Nation's position. The revised nominated area is 13% smaller, reduced from 33,400 km² to 29,040 km².

The Corporation proposed to Canada the development of an addendum to the 2015 nomination that would examine the implications of the reduced area on the adopted Statement of Outstanding Universal Value for the site. This option potentially enabled the site to be on the 2017 agenda of the World Heritage Committee. Canada in turn consulted with the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies on the proposed approach. The World Heritage Centre and Advisory Bodies recommended instead that a new nomination be prepared for submission by February 1, 2017.





PIMACHIOWIN AKI NOMINATED AREA



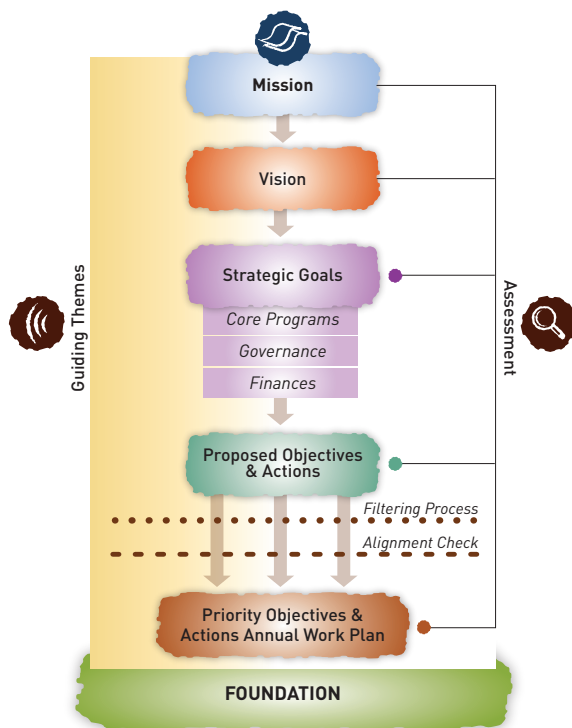


DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN

The Corporation prepared a Strategic Plan to facilitate the organization's transition to roles and responsibilities associated with a new World Heritage Site. The plan is a tool to further guide and support effective management of the proposed site. It presents the organization's vision, mission, goals, core programs and detailed actions for three years.

The organization's core programs are:

1. Safeguarding tangible and intangible cultural heritage;
2. Conserving and understanding ecosystems and species;
3. Supporting sustainable economic diversification;
4. Informing and educating the public;
5. Coordinating monitoring and reporting; and
6. Supporting community-based initiatives.



Strategic Planning Framework

The plan also describes a process for continuous planning to protect site values and to realize potential social, cultural, economic and environmental benefits associated with inscription.

The plan was prepared with support from the John D. And Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Preparation of the Strategic Plan was a final step in an agreement between the organizations. Representatives of Pimachiowin Aki and MacArthur met in Chicago in February 2016 to discuss concluding the agreement. We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the MacArthur Foundation for its generous support.

SAFEGUARDING TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE HERITAGE

A Women's Forum is proposed as a standing institution within the governance structure of the Pimachiowin Aki Corporation. A brochure promoting the Women's Forum was distributed in communities in preparation for an initial Forum in early 2017.

SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION

Board members and community representatives attended a workshop at the Social Enterprise Centre in Winnipeg in January 2016. Staff from the Canadian Community Economic Development Network gave a presentation on



"social enterprise" as a means to support economic diversification in communities. The workshop also featured a presentation from Aki Energy on their successful energy and food projects in indigenous communities in Manitoba.

In April 2016, Travel Manitoba convened a workshop involving Manitoba-based tourism operators in Pimachiowin Aki to discuss tourism products and marketing ideas. Pimachiowin Aki Corporation was pleased to host a tour by senior Travel Manitoba staff to Bloodvein and Poplar River in early summer to experience the site first hand. The tour provided the opportunity for tourism capacity development.

INFORMING AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC

A brochure summarizing the 2015 Pimachiowin Aki nomination was produced for distribution to partners and stakeholders. In preparation for potential inscription, a Pimachiowin Aki World Heritage Site poster and a 30-second video were developed for public distribution. Other activities included updates to the Pimachiowin Aki website and development of a new brand/logo package. These initiatives were discontinued following the referral decision.



MONITORING

The Corporation was included on various government contact lists for land use planning and development activities in the vicinity of the nominated area. The receipt and review of such information is a means by which the Corporation supports monitoring of the area.

Notifications were received regarding a forest resources inventory project and forestry plan reviews and work schedules in Ontario, and about the initiation of land use planning by McDowell Lake First Nation, in Ontario. The Corporation was also notified and invited to attend a workshop in Berens River, Manitoba, regarding land use planning by this First Nation.

GOVERNANCE

The Corporation contracted a human resources firm to initiate recruitment of an Executive Director. The process was suspended as result of the referral decision.

The Corporation also contracted with a technology firm to assess current and future technology needs. The assessment addressed computer hardware and software, website upgrading, constituent relationship management/fundraising support and IT support.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Corporation contracted expertise to develop and implement a communications strategy. National media interest and coverage of Pimachiowin Aki occurred on two separate occasions--following the posting of the Advisory Bodies recommendations to inscribe the site in May, and after the World Heritage Committee's decision to refer the nomination back to Canada.

In June, Sophia Rabliauskas joined the Honourable Glen Murray, Ontario's Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, and Julian Smith, Dean of Faculty of Willowbank, an Ontario based cultural heritage educational institution, in a panel discussion titled "Ecology Re-imagined: Nature and Culture in Historic Places". The conversation was broadcast on national radio across Canada in August.

FUNDRAISING

The Corporation contracted fundraising expertise in support of fund development and for sponsorship purposes. Potential sponsors were sought to participate in celebratory events being planned following inscription. Several positive responses could not be pursued due to the referral decision.

The Pimachiowin Aki World Heritage Fund at The Winnipeg Foundation (TWF) is critical to the financial sustainability of the Pimachiowin Aki Corporation. The Fund will ensure a consistent stream of operating funds for the Corporation as well as supporting community-led projects.

We were very grateful to receive a generous \$10,000.00 donation to the Pimachiowin Aki Fund from The Great West Life Assurance Company.

At the end of August 2016, the market value of the fund was \$4,443,810.50. The Fund generated \$154,990.00 in revenue for the Corporation this year. The Corporation sincerely appreciates the over 150 donors who have contributed to the Fund.





FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Corporation is funded primarily by grants from the governments of Manitoba and Ontario. The attached Financial Statements show the position of the Corporation at the end of its Fiscal year, August 31, 2016

PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AUGUST 31, 2016

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board Members of
PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION,
Winnipeg, Manitoba

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Pimachiowin Aki Corporation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at AUGUST 31, 2016 and the statement of operations and changes in net assets, and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting standards for Not For Profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.





Clear Opinion

In my opinion the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Pimachiowin Aki Corporation as at AUGUST 31, 2016, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Not For Profit Reporting Standards.

SIMON HALL CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

December 2, 2016
Winnipeg, Manitoba

PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash in bank	271,040	462,762
Accounts receivable	4,338	8,417
Prepaid expenses	202	2,620
	<u>275,580</u>	<u>473,799</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS:		
Funds held in trust (note 3)	<u>145,102</u>	<u>100,000</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>420,682</u></u>	<u><u>573,799</u></u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable (note 4)	25,811	26,887
Deferred revenue	-	136,500
	<u>25,811</u>	<u>163,387</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Unrestricted net assets	<u>394,871</u>	<u>410,412</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u><u>420,682</u></u>	<u><u>573,799</u></u>
APPROVED BY BOARD:		
_____ : Director	_____ : Director	
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PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
REVENUES:		
Manitoba Conservation - Operating	-	234,000
Manitoba Conservation - Deferred from prior year	136,500	-
Ontario M.N.R.	-	200,000
Sales	747	539
Winnipeg Foundation	157,390	140,175
Miscellaneous Income	4,603	8,826
Donations	473	486
Total Revenues	<u>299,713</u>	<u>584,026</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Advisory Bodies Mission (Pg 9)	-	210
Bloodvein River Tourism Access (Pg 9)	-	4,258
Celebratory Material (Pg 9)	14,300	-
Communications (Pg 9)	44,272	29,478
Comparative Review (Pg 9)	-	32,636
First Nation Participation (Pg 9)	35,271	25,511
Fundraising (Pg 10)	13,081	2,791
General Administration (Pg 10)	149,709	157,671
International Awareness/Promotion (Pg 10)	-	26,664
Management Plan - Revised (Pg 11)	-	9,622
Miscellaneous (Pg 11)	1,666	-
Nomination Evaluation (Pg 11)	19,409	54,111
Nomination - Printing/Summary (Pg 11)	7,377	2,485
Revised Nomination (Pg 11)	-	196,909
Succession Planning (Pg 12)	11,439	-
Technology assessment (Pg 12)	6,900	-
Tourism Capacity Training (Pg 12)	4,540	1,875
Women's Forum/Cultural (Pg 12)	1,163	-
WH Committee Meeting (Pg 12)	6,127	-
Total Expenditures	<u>315,254</u>	<u>544,221</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenses	(15,541)	39,805
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>410,412</u>	<u>370,607</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u><u>394,871</u></u>	<u><u>410,412</u></u>

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PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) OPERATIONS:		
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenses expenses for the year	(15,541)	39,805
Change in working capital:		
Accounts receivable	4,079	(1,007)
Prepaid expenses	2,418	42
Accounts payable	(1,076)	8,408
Funds in trust	(45,102)	-
Deferred revenue	(136,500)	-
	<u>(191,722)</u>	<u>47,248</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash for the year	(191,722)	47,248
Cash, beginning of year	<u>462,762</u>	<u>415,514</u>
Cash, end of year	<u>271,040</u>	<u>462,762</u>
Represented By:		
Cash in bank	<u>271,040</u>	<u>462,762</u>

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PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

1. FORM OF ORGANIZATION

Pimachiowin Aki Corporation (Pimachiowin hereafter) is a non profit corporation, federally incorporated in Canada. Pimachiowin Aki is working to create an internationally recognized network of linked protected areas and managed landscapes which is worthy of UNESCO World Cultural and World Heritage designation. Pimachiowin Aki is working with governments of First Nations, Ontario, Manitoba and Canada to complete the nomination process and achieve the UNESCO designation.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for not for profit organizations. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

i) Revenue Recognition

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Restricted contributions are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Other donations are recorded on a cash basis since pledges are not legally enforceable claims.

ii) Measurement Uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accounts receivable are stated after evaluation as to their collectibility and an appropriate allowance for doubtful accounts is provided where considered necessary. These assumptions are reviewed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known.

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PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

iii) Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are recorded at cost in the year of acquisition. The cost of the fixed assets less any expected residual value is expensed over the assets useful life.

iv) Financial Instruments

Financial statements include cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Unless otherwise stated it is management's opinion that the corporation is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from its financial instruments. Unless otherwise stated, the carrying value of the organization's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair value.

v) Accounting

The organization uses a full accrual system of accounting for revenues and expenditures.

3. FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

Pimachiowin Aki contributed \$145,102 to the Winnipeg Foundation for the benefit of the Pimachiowin Aki World Heritage Site. The monies are held in trust for the benefit of the Pimachiowin AKI World Heritage Site and are restricted to that purpose.

4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
Accounts Payable and Accrued liabilities	<u>25,811</u>	<u>26,887</u>

5. COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Certain 2015 comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the 2016 financial statement presentation in order to provide meaningful comparative information.

6. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The organization's primary source of funding is through government grants. The organization's ability to continue viable operations is dependent upon maintaining these grants.

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AUGUST 31, 2016

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PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
SUPPORTING SCHEDULES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
<u>ADVISORY BODIES MISSION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Accommodations & meals	-	210
<u>BLOODVEIN RIVER TOURISM ACCESS</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	-	4,258
<u>CELEBRATORY MATERIAL</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Celebratory poster	1,830	-
Celebratory video	12,470	-
	14,300	-
<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	39,742	28,153
Logo Package	4,530	-
Travel	-	1,325
	44,272	29,478
<u>COMPARATIVE REVIEW</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultants	-	32,636
<u>FIRST NATION PARTICIPATION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Honorarium	5,850	4,650
Meals & Accommodation	9,066	9,647
Other	-	2,034
Travel	20,355	9,180
	35,271	25,511





PIMACHIOWIN AKI CORPORATION
SUPPORTING SCHEDULES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
<u>FUNDRAISING</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultants	13,081	-
Meals & Accommodations	-	289
Other	-	2,502
	<u>13,081</u>	<u>2,791</u>

<u>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Audit Fees	4,320	4,212
Bank Charges	1,223	2,142
Board - Travel	21,452	10,013
Bookkeeping	8,400	8,400
Community coordinator	10,118	-
Community Coordination	4,532	5,134
Computer & Office Equipment	1,196	400
Courier & Postage	961	914
Employee Benefits	1,276	2,716
GST	8,517	16,313
Insurance	2,418	2,403
Legal Fees	546	1,312
Internet	180	405
Miscellaneous	140	364
Office Supplies	1,348	1,482
GIS Support	808	-
Project Manager - Travel, Meals & Accommodation	4,441	7,881
Promotions	-	5,403
Publications	-	95
Telephone	3,197	3,461
Website Hosting	4,097	2,663
Wages & Salaries	70,539	81,958
	<u>149,709</u>	<u>157,671</u>

<u>INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS/PROMOTION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	-	12,672
Meals & accomodations	-	2,730
Travel	-	11,262
	<u>-</u>	<u>26,664</u>

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	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
<u>MANAGEMENT PLAN - REVISED</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	-	9,622
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Mc ARTHUR Grant expense	1,666	-
<u>NOMINATION - EVALUATION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Other	-	3,788
Consultant fees	10,966	16,366
Travel & accommodations	8,443	33,957
	<u>19,409</u>	<u>54,111</u>
<u>NOMINATION - PRINTING/SUMMARY</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Printing	7,377	2,485
<u>REVISED NOMINATION</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	-	179,496
Meals & Accommodation	-	3,959
Other	-	8,490
Travel	-	4,964
	<u>-</u>	<u>196,909</u>

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	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
<u>SUCCESSION PLANNING</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	<u>11,439</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	<u>6,900</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>TOURISM CAPACITY TRAINING</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
Consultant fees	3,690	1,875
Meals & accomodations	500	-
Travel	<u>350</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>4,540</u>	<u>1,875</u>
<u>WOMEN'S FORUM/CULTURAL</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
FN Preparation	750	-
Travel	150	-
Video books	<u>263</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,163</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>WH COMMITTEE MEETING</u>		
EXPENDITURES:		
FN Preparation	1,770	-
Travel	2,823	-
Video books	<u>1,534</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6,127</u>	<u>-</u>

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