

SYS.2022.06**Title: *Mission & Mandates*****Type:** Policy**Authority:** Members**Resolution No.:** NIKLA AGM 2022-006**Associated Documents:****SYS.2022.06.1****Purpose**

1. The mission statement articulates the Council's and Member's shared understanding of the core purpose of NIKLA.
2. The mandate specifies more closely the core function of each of the Communities.

SYS.2022.06.2**Mission Statement of the National Indigenous Knowledge & Language Alliance**

Create an association to unify and amplify the voices of Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) to network and nurture a community of practice related to Indigenous knowledges, language, and Indigenous ways of knowing, as they relate to culture memory and heritage.

SYS.2022.06.3**Core Activities of the Charter**

The five (5) core activities listed in the constating documents (Charter), in no hierarchical order, are:

1. Professional development for members;
2. Public advocacy for Indigenous cultural transmission;
3. Building a community of practice;
4. Unsettling and disrupting existing frameworks and pedagogy; and
5. Scholarship and Grants [when charitable registry is received].

These may be changed through Council resolution and Member ratification, followed by updating of the constating documents according to relevant Acts.

SYS.2022.06.4**Archives Community Mandate**

The Archives Community has a mandate to represent the interests, issues, and trends of the field of archives as it pertains to best practice, Indigenous Knowledge, advocacy, and training.

SYS.2022.06.5**Culture & Heritage Community Mandate**

The Culture and Heritage Community has a mandate to represent the interests, issues, and trends of the field of social and educational outreach through culture and heritage as it pertains to best practice, Indigenous Knowledge, advocacy, and training.

SYS.2022.06.6**Language Preservation & Instruction Community Mandate**

The Language Preservation and Instruction Community has a mandate to represent the interests, issues, and trends of the field of language prevention and instructors as it pertains to best practice, Indigenous Knowledge, advocacy, and training.

SYS.2022.06.7**Libraries Community Mandate**

The Libraries Community has a mandate to represent the interests, issues, and trends of the field of school, academic, public, special and Indigenous libraries as it pertains to best practice, Indigenous Knowledge, advocacy, and training.

SYS.2022.06.8 Museums Community Mandate

The Museums Community has a mandate to represent the interests, issues, and trends of the field of curation and museology as it pertains to best practice, Indigenous Knowledge, advocacy, and training.

SYS.2022.06.9 Review Cycle

The mission statement is developed, reviewed and/or revised by Council as part of the Strategic Plan Process, or as deemed necessary by Council or NIKLA Members.

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