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## THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES HEALTH & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 09, 2001

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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### 01. CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Chairman, Randy Phelan, called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. Chairman Phelan would like to leave the agenda open and would like to add Connie Fox to the agenda.

### 02. ROLL CALL:

**Members present:** Committee Chairman Randy Phelan; Member Daylon Spotted Bear; Member Malcolm Wolf. Others present were: V. Judy Brugh, Recording Secretary; Leo Cummings, Hugh Baker, Terry RedFox, Pat Wilkinson, Mark Fox, Abigail Bingen, Dennis Burr, Bernadine Young Bird and a Community First representative named Betty Kolling.

### 04. 477 PROGRAM:

Mr. Leo Cummings gave his presentation to the committee. He stated he had concerns about the chief person in Albuquerque not giving the Tribes good information on G.A. A long discussion between Mr. Hugh Baker and Mr. Leo Cummings transpired on the topic of receiving G.A. while off the Reservation attending school. Mr. Baker also spoke on TEAM..

Mr. Cummings was interested in transferring a person who has been injured on the job to another position. This person is Leo Lockwood who has a two year degree and a four year degree. Mr. Cummings went on to state he can obtain 100% funding for him. He could also coordinate with Mr. Baker to assist his program.

**Committee member Daylon Spotted Bear motioned to transfer Leo Lockwood to the 477 program with the understanding something in writing has to be provided from his supervisor and that the 477 program provides 100% of the funding. Seconded by Committee member Malcolm Wolf.**

**VOTE:** 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Not Voting  
Motion carried.

Mr. Baker brought to the attention of the committee that he is short five staff and needs those positions filled. He felt if he had the authority to find and appoint these people he could get them here.

**Committee member Daylon Spotted Bear motioned to bring this back to the full council for their decision regarding Mr. Baker's request. Seconded by Committee**

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**member Malcolm Wolf.**

**VOTE:** 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Not Voting  
Motion carried.

Mr. Cummings informed the committee that on the School to Work program the students are paid a little stipend and one of the students is 18 and signed up for G.A. This stipend amount was deducted from her G.A. check. Mr. Baker said he was unaware of this and will handle it.

Mr. Cummings spoke on the following subjects:

- a. A tribal youth resource center has been established and six tutors have been hired. there is a tutor for each segment of the reservation.
- b. TANF: He said the civil rights people in Denver felt a case could be established against the State.
- c. Eligibility: This was discussed in length by both Mr. Cummings and Mr. Baker.
- d. JOM: Just certain school districts are eligible for JOM.
- e. Adult Education: 477 has been supplying money over the last four years.

**Committee member Malcolm Wolf motioned that based on Councilman Fox's recommendation to look at Leo Cummings plan and to have a plan B in place provided the State TANF don't look at the 1st recommendation and for the record to support Leo Cummings. Seconded by Committee member Daylon Spotted Bear.**

Discussion: Mr. Cummings stated we have to put a plan together that will meet all our needs. The waters have to be tested first. Councilman Mark Fox said to develop two plans but to implement 1st plan. Mr. Cummings felt the time tables were wrong and don't see plan B having a state match in place.

**VOTE:** 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Not Voting  
Motion carried.

**05. EDUCATION - BERNADINE YOUNG BIRD:**

Ms. Young Bird informed the committee there is a lack of early childhood professionals. She would like a certain percent of the educational funds earmarked for higher education for this type of degree. She said the Tribe is training and educating people but they don't serve here. We need a service agreement set up whereby they work for the Tribe at least two years.

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**06. DIALYSIS:**

Chairman Phelan suggested to the Committee that a task force be organized and a representative from each community work on researching the diabetes prevention along with the prescription issue. Mr. Dennis Burr spoke up that he is a strong believer in self determination and would recommend to 638 I.H.S.

**07. COMMUNITY FIRST:**


Betty Kolling of Community First gave the Committee information on how the money the Three Affiliated Tribes employees had deducted on the retirement program was invested. Discussion pursued about the lack of information an employee receives on this program and how orientation is needed. It was a consensus that a seminar needs to be put in place and to have Mr. Terry Red Fox check into this.

**Committee member Malcom Wolf motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Committee member Daylon Spotted Bear.**

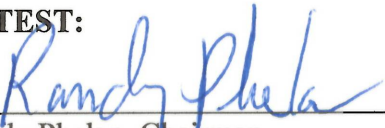
**VOTE:** 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Not Voting  
Motion carried.

**The meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m.**

Approved by Committee this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2001.

  
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V. Judy Brugh, Recording Secretary  
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**ATTEST:**

  
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Randy Phelan, Chairman  
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