



## **Mandan, Hidatsa, & Arikara Nation**

*Three Affiliated Tribes \* Fort Berthold Indian Reservation*

404 Frontage Road \* New Town, North Dakota 58763-9402

### **HEALTH & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Meeting 04-03-RP**

**February 3, 2004**

**01. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Wells calls the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

**02. ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Wells calls roll Councilman Packineau and Councilman Wolf, a quorum is established.

**03. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Chairman Wells requested to add on the Elders Organization under item 10-A, no other adds on. Councilman Packineau moves to approve the Agenda as amended and seconded by Councilman Wolf.

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

**04. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 6<sup>th</sup> and January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

Councilman Packineau moved to approve the January 6<sup>th</sup> and January 20<sup>th</sup> minutes with amendments and seconded by Councilman Wolf.

Discussion: On Item 9 on the January 20<sup>th</sup>, minutes Councilman Wolf requested to change that no action was taken for payment for Melda Lambert.

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

**05. INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES UP-DATE: (Karol Parker)**

-The Dental Department has two full-time dentist position opened and I.H.S. only have one filled by Dr. Colleen Hofer. Minni-Tohe has contracted out for two dentists for coverage of patients, currently dental is serving 200-250 patients a month. Dr. Hofer is working on improvements with preventive programs with children, working on getting an Oral Surgeon here on site and trying to get someone here to do dental imprints. Dental department is working with the diabetic patients and with WIC clinic to educate new mothers about dental care. Dental also works with Head start Mass Screening for the children.

-I.H.S. has no funds for Orthodontist this is not considered a priority, the Tribe can apply for grants pertaining to this for I.H.S. cannot apply for these grants. HERSA Grants will pay for equipment and staff for clinics this is on the inter-net for further information can be obtained through the inter-net.

-Contract Care-CHS on the medical bills for some of them that are not being paid because the patients did not follow the procedures for I.H.S. CHS is looking at resolving those outstanding medical bills.

-I.H.S. received funding for the clinic expansion, once the expansion is completed then the interior will be renovate for more space, will include 11 exam rooms with a spacious lab room.

-I.H.S. has meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month, I.H.S. does not see any patients at this time during this time we have two meetings scheduled. It is under the federal regulation that I.H.S. staff meets once a month.

-Prescription written at sub-clinics can be picked up at I.H.S. but the prescription that are from outside clinics cannot be filled at I.H.S.

**06. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: (*Bernadine Young Bird*)**

The last Human & Resource meeting Bernadine was directed to meet with Doris McGrady, but she resigned from the project. Bernadine did get a chance to meet with her briefly on the Educational Codes. One of Doris concerns she had is that the format for this project tended to fragment the efforts of the tribes.

-One is she is a Consultant and is not working under the Department of Education she is working separate. Doris concern about the fact because of the fragmentation from the work already being done and she wasn't sure on where to start. A committee was set up and she had difficulty at getting the committee together and was unable to get organized. Another concern was lack of direction for educational goals to help us focus for the tribe. We both felt that the Tribe needs to set up an education goals to help us focus for the tribe.

-Second concern is the need for definite Tribal Educational Goals be identified as a tribe. We have a philosophy mission for the tribe. We recommend that we find some way to develop goals under the philosophy mission and implementation plan once the goals are identified for the tribe.

-Third concern is the Education Department has no funding to proceed with Tribal Educational Code development work with.

Rich Mayer is setting up an educational task force with Agency Education, Head Start, and Higher Education, 477 Program and Community College. The first task he would like to see the Task Fore do is a SRE reservation wide and the task will be meeting next Friday at 1:00 this will need to compile with NARF Grant. Wayne White Eagle is the interim person and is taking Doris McGrady place for now until it is advertised and the position is filled.

Councilman Packineau motion to approve for funding for Education Week of February 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>, 2004 for the amount of \$4,800.00, seconded by Councilman Wolf. To be forwarded to full council, this to be added on the agenda for the February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2004 meeting.



**07. WIC UPDATE: (*Delphine Baker*)**

WIC is requesting for approval from the committee for employees to bring babies to the work place for mothers who are breast-feeding their babies. Guideline would be included with adequate equipment within the office. A copy is given to Human Resources Department for review and research, there is a revision with the Personnel Policies tomorrow and Delphine could bring this up at that meeting. The Tribe needs to protect ourselves incase the child get injured this will need to be covered.

Committee suggested that WIC/Director Delphine Baker work with the Personnel Policies Committee on this and see on what they think about implementing this.

**08. HEADSTART DEPARTMENT: (*Sara Young Bird*)**

**No one present at the meeting.**

**09. SHERRI GILLETTE – (CLOSED SESSION)**

**10. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**10-A Elders Organization** – due to cutback in funds would like to consolidate with other programs to continue their services, and if the tribe can pick up some of the employees staff. Councilman Packineau moved to forward the Elders proposal on consolidation with other programs to the full council seconded by Councilman Wolf.

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

**10-B – Dialysis Linda Irwin** – had two LPN resigned (Marion Rasmussen & Charles Felix) and dialysis needs two more nurses. Linda Rauser is currently working as temporary part-time and is requesting to move her to full time permanent. Charlene Samuelson, RN to hire as part-time permanent and Linda Irwin will train her on the job. Charlene is already working elsewhere but is interested in working with Dialysis.

Councilman Packineau moved to forward both Linda Rauser and Charlene Samuelson to the full council. Seconded by Councilman Wolf.

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

**10-C-Vonnie Alberts/Court System** – is requesting a letter of support from the Health & Human Resources Committee concerning her Child Custody Case.

Councilman Packineau moved to direct Tyra Wilkinson to contact Tribal Court on why a decision was changed on the supervisory child visits with the father without contacting the mother. Seconded by Councilman Wolf.

Discussion: Steve Kelly will have Tyra Wilkinson to do a phone call or visit with the Court on this and bring it to the next tribal business council meeting.

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

**10-D Educational Loans:** Shawn Charging and Andrew Reed for their second term in the Master Program with University of Mary.

Councilman Packineau motion to approve Shaw Charging and Andrew Reed for educational loans for University of Mary and seconded by Councilman Wolf.

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

**10-E Transportation Dept.-Daryl Hall** – presents a resolution on Brain Injury that needs approval.

Councilman Packineau move to forward this to the full council for February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval, seconded by Councilman Wolf.

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

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Wolf motion to adjourn at 5:23 p.m. and seconded by Councilman Packineau.

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

Next meeting will be February 17<sup>th</sup> 2004 at 11:00.

Approved by Committee this 3<sup>rd</sup> date of February 2004

  
Connie Fox/Committee Secretary  
Health & Human Resources Committee

ATTEST:

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Marcus Wells Jr. Chairman of  
Health & Human Resources Committee  
Three Affiliated Tribes