



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilman Cory Spotted Bear called the meeting to order at 10:46am.

PRAYER

Prayer by Councilman L. Kenneth Hall.

I. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilman L. Kenneth Hall, Councilman Cory Spotted Bear (Via Phone), Councilman Fred Fox. Quorum established.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman L. Kenneth Hall moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- November 2nd, 2015 Education Committee Minutes

Item deferred.

IV. PROGRAM REPORTS

A. Chief Education Administrator - Damon Brady

Item deferred.

B. Boys and Girls Club - Prairie Rose Seminole

Item deferred.

C. Head Start Program - Kelly Bradfield

Made great strides in getting caught up in reconciliations. Follow up review for 2012 year. Safety Services and environmental requirements. 158 children enrolled in all centers. New Town is maxed out at 80 students. Purchased 17 pairs of glasses for our children. We have drawn down for the first time in 2 years. Will be looking at updating financial procedures for the TAT. Councilman Fred Fox stated that we haven't used about 30 million in federal funding. Kelly Bradfield doesn't know if there have been changes made but final report has not been completed and for this year the report is still pending. I don't know how we will fare on this report either. I think the financial policies may be an issue and will affect us on other federal grants. Councilman Fred Fox stated asked that she keep reporting and letting us know of any problems.



D. Education Trust Fund - Barb Miller
Item deferred.

E. Elementary/High School Programs

1) New Town - Marc Bluestone

Submitted a written and oral report to the Committee. We have 886 Students which is down due to relaxing of the oil boom. Of the total we have 780 Native Students. We have expensed 31% of our current yearly budget. We have hired two new teachers in Special Ed. 1st semester is finished and report cards are due out on Thursday. We had a National Honors Banquet for 4 Seniors and one Junior. VocEd Center construction is on track. Teachers are finalizing their Model Training and assessment. ICU implementation progress is continuing. Mentoring program is continuing quite well. Restorative Justice Program has come to resolution to help mediate bully issues. Middle School & High School curriculum aligned with national standards. We have 6 students in AP Calculus Class and 14 dual-credit students attending at NHS College.

2) Parshall - John Weidner

Work continues on and improvement in math scores. Technology is growing with laptop program and introduction of computer coding. 4 graders all passed the "Hour of Code" program. District is providing more laptops over the years and technology is increasing in the classroom. Seeing some decrease in oil impact money. Budget is at about 5 million. Upgrading playground equipment at the Elementary and security cameras at the schools.

3) Mandaree - Carolyn Bluestone

Submitted a written report that Mr. Marc Bluestone presented.

FTR: 11:19am Councilman Cory Spotted Bear joined the meeting.

4) White Shield - John Jankowski

Item deferred.

5) Twin Buttes - Sandy Starr

We are at 38 students, but down about 3 students from the Christmas break. 40 has been the average over the last 3 years with the highest at 52. We have 8 certified teachers with 2 paraprofessionals. We have an afterschool mentoring program and attendance is also an issue. We have switched to Central time to help address this. We are doing Saturday Academy to help them get back some of their hours missed. We are doing cultural activities and waiting on the Language Initiative to get language back up and running in



the schools. Base teacher salary is at \$33,000 and have one position that hasn't been filled.

F. MHA Education Advocate - Francine White

With the new resolution on truancy we are looking forward to enforcing and have meet with Judicial staff over the process. We are doing a newsletter and setting up a mailing list to inform the public of the new resolution. We are also working on attendance incentives with a trip somewhere. Budget work continues and looking at funding this program through the back end. Al Nygard has provided us with an overview of the budget progress of these other external programs. Discussed collaboration with the RAIN and Learn and Lead Programs. Marc Bluestone discussed his school's experience with the Learn and Lead Program. Stressed the importance on attendance to success.

G. GED Department - Betty Lockwood
Item deferred.

H. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College - Twyla Baker-Demaray

Last day for registration is today and we are still waiting on results. On Dec 8-9th we had an HLC Visit and hope to hear in February on the results. We are in high alert for the 10 year accreditation and will be preparing for this. Working on the Technology upgrade to go to bid soon. We received a \$10,000 anonymous donation. Connie Frankenberry, Vice President of Student Affairs discussed Heightened Cash Monitoring due to program review and change in Financial Aid staff that is taking time to bring up to snuff. Issues include student records and filing Financial Aid reports on time, and producing audit documents. We cannot have Work Students available until this is resolved. President Twyla Demeray provided some information on upcoming events such as the Writer's Conference, Travel for AIHEC visits to DC., and working on the Day Care Licensing issue with the CEO. Connie Frankenberry expressed they have the records and done some inspections working on developing the process. Al Nygard provided some information on the licensing guidelines and the move to the College. We started with a broke system and some administration and looked at the auxiliary systems. There is much more to the system than originally taken on. They are recommending in the end to transfer the responsibility to the 477 program. Still some contractual agreements with 477 to be developed. We are hoping to be completed in the next 30 days. We brought in Child Care Ware of America and Jolene Cross-White as experts in the field. The College has been accepted into the HLC Persistence & Retention Academy.

I. Higher Education Program - Martha Hunter
Item deferred.

J. CEO Office on Childcare Policies - Al Nygard



Presented the new Child Care Guidelines and requested that the item be forwarded to the full Council.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward transfer of Day Care Licensure to the 477 Program and present to the January 14th Tribal Business Council meeting. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward the Day Care Licensure Guidelines to the January 14th Tribal Business Council meeting. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

K. 477 Program - Jerome Dancing Bull

Provided a year-end report, narrative, and budget to the Committee. 24 students at Tribes and 15 at NHSC. Described child care benefits provided by the program.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward the TERO Vocational Education Grant issue to the January 14th Tribal Business Council meeting. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

L. All Language Departments

1) Hidatsa-

a. Bernadine Young Bird

Presented the vision, mission, and goals of the Nueta, Hidatsa, Sahnish Language Board. Seeking formal recognition for the group. Submitted a Declaration of Emergency and need for a budget to back up resolution 15-057-LKH. Councilman Fred Fox stated that each community was given \$500,000 for cultural needs. Bernadine Young Bird provided information concerning the success of the NHS Language Teacher Training workshops. They will be submitting a proposal for Phase III of the Language Conservancy Project and recommendations of 30-40 members of the Board.

2) Arikara - Dancing Eagle Perkins
Item deferred.

3) Mandan (Nueta) - Marty Young Bear
Item deferred.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Shiloh Christian Tuition Payment for J.T. Largo II - Kathy Chapin



Vivian Gillette presented for J.T. Largo seeking Financial Assistance for tuition assistance.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward request to the January 14th, 2016 Tribal Business Council. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Funding Request for the Cultural Survival School - Jasper Young Bear, Tanya Fimbres, Jennifer Young Bear First Rider, and Susan Paulson.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward the request for \$283,000 to finish Phase II to the January 14th Tribal Business Council meeting. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

C. Education Assistance for Dalton Huber - Mike Huber

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward request to the January 14th, 2016 Tribal Business Council. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

D. Education Assistance for Gabrielle Poitra-Young Bird - LuAnn Poitra
Seeking financial assistance for a pilgrimage for \$3,865.

Motion: Councilman L. Kenneth Hall moved to forward request to the January 14th, 2016 Tribal Business Council. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

E. Education Loan Assistance - Ismelda Vasquez
Financial assistance to pay off student loans that total \$15,396.26. Committee recommended seeking an education Loan if at a lower interest rate.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to adjourn. Councilman L. Kenneth Hall seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:41pm.



CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council 's Education Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Education Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Education Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 11th day of January 2016; that the foregoing Minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 3 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 Members not voting.

Dated this 7th day of April, 2016.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Cory Spotted Bear", written over a horizontal line.

Education Committee Chairman,
Councilman Cory Spotted Bear
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "L. Kenneth Hall", written over a horizontal line.

Executive Secretary,
Councilman L. Kenneth Hall
Tribal Business Council
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