



CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Chairman Cory Spotted Bear called the meeting to order at 11:07 am.

PRAYER:

The invocation was given by Chuck Hunter.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Councilman Frank Grady, (for Councilman Mervin Packineau) and Councilwoman Monica Mayer. *Quorum established.*

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Frank Grady moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **2/23/2017 Education Committee Minutes**

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve the 2/23/2017 Education Committee minutes with corrections. Councilman Frank Grady seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. PROGRAM REPORTS:

A. Head Start Program - Kelly Bradfield , Director

TAT Head Start has been recommend as a model program in the region. Attendance rate has improved to 65-90% from 45-65% of last year with parents responsive to letter sent out. Disability waiver due to LEA unable to get to the centers for testing but, are working Red Door Medical facility to diagnose disabilities to speed up the process. Advertising for all positions and so far there are four leaving the program. Transition Day is May 18th. Parents' have different views— They want their own ceremony in each community. Some parents are recognizing be aware understood people are seeking monetary assistance from the segment offices and asked that they go through the Program. Governance training required for all TBC members as a formal procedure for Head start. Funding 163 students. Federal funds used for 25-33 staff positions and funded for 33. Staffing and Budget meeting scheduled for next week with the CEO. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted that we have no services for disabled children.



B. MHA Language Department⁵

Item deferred.

C. MHA Education Pipeline¹

Item deferred

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D. Higher Education Department – Martha Hunter, Director

Provided an oral report on recent activities such as the Scholarship Night at the MHA Nation Satellite Office in Bismarck. Busy taking in application for the Spring Quarter. Attending the April Career Fair and planning luncheon for the Helen Gogh Scholarship. Discussion of budget expenditures and her Federal/Tribal breakdown. Would like additional funding for Summer students.

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E. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College – Dr. Twyla Demaray-Baker, President

Presented report written and oral report. 31 graduates. Preparing for program review to meet Higher Learning Commission Accreditation guidelines and culture of continues improvement. Seeking collaboration with Minot State University. Presented the Enrollment and Persistence and Completion report. 11% enrollment increase this year. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked that the college focus on employment data. Dr. Baker noted that the college will be tracking Alumni.

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F. GED Program – Betty Lockwood, Director

1 million cut from the state funding and asking all to call their Senators to support their budget. Federal funding is stable from year to year. Presented report from the testing service.

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G. MHA Truancy Program (Education Resource Program) – Francine White

Provided update and with statistics. Discussion of annual calendar; Language Institute, College and Career Fair. Expressed the need to further implement changes to the Juvenile Code.

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H. MHA Education Department - Collette Berg, Director

The new Director discussed plans to further develop the program, lifelong data tracking, and advocacy. Councilwoman asked that the Director to develop a plan to restructure the program.

I. Elementary/High School Programs

1) **New Town - Marc Bluestone¹**



- 2) **Twin Buttes** - *Sandy Starr*⁴
- 3) **White Shield** - *Wayne Fox*¹
- 4) **Mandaree** - *Carolyn Bluestone*¹
- 5) **Parshall** - *Beth Schwarz*³

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

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A. Education Assistance - *Monica Trevino*

Seeking assistance with bills incurred while attending school for Criminal Justice to get back into school. Grants & Donation referred Monica Trevino to the Education Committee. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear noted that the application was incomplete and she should return when completed.

B. Education Assistance - *Wendi Wells*¹

Item deferred.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilman Frank Grady moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:28PM.



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 28th day of March, 2017; 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 27th day of March, 2017.

ATTEST:

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

Executive Secretary,
Councilman Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council
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