



**CALL TO ORDER:**

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 1:14 PM.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

*Present:* Councilman Fred Fox, Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight (*Conference Call*), Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh, & Councilwoman Monica Mayer.  
*Quorum established.*

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*Motion:* Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Education Committee Minutes.**

*Motion:* Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to approve the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Education Committee Minutes. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**IV. PROGRAM REPORTS:**

**A. Elementary/High School Program Reports**

1. **Mandaree Schools<sup>1</sup>** – *Tara Thomas, Superintendent*

*Item deferred.*

2. **Parshall Schools<sup>2</sup>** - *Shane Sagert, Superintendent*

*Item deferred.*

3. **New Town Schools** – *Beth Zietz, Superintendent & Marc Bluestone Sr., Assistant Superintendent.*

Report Submitted for the record. Current Fiscal Year Budget: \$22,469,386.12 with 26% of the budget expended. Student Population (K-12): 953 students (836 or 88% American Indian students). Teaching Staff (98): 48 Non-Indian (49%), 10 American Indian (10%), 40 Other Minority (41%). Administrative Staff (9): 8 Non-Indian (89%), 1 American Indian (11%). Hiring Staff (All Teaching Positions Filled). Teacher/Administrator Evaluations for First Semester Completed. First Semester Completed on December 18<sup>th</sup> (Distance Learning for Most Students: Special Education Students/NTHS Alternative Program Students began on October 13<sup>th</sup>). After School Face to Face and Virtual Tutoring Completed on December 21<sup>st</sup> for First Semester (Began on October 13<sup>th</sup>).



Satellite School at Four Bears Segment (Johnny Bird South Center) Continued. Weekly Book Studies for Para-educators (American Indian Books) Continued. Winter Sports/School Activities Postponed by School Board until January 15<sup>th</sup>. Impact Aid Application (\$3,200,000 Funding from USDOE) Work Began. School Board Decided that Students May Return to School (Face to Face) on January 19<sup>th</sup>. School Board Decided that Staff Will Teach from Home from January 4<sup>th</sup>-January 15<sup>th</sup> (No Staff/ Students on Campus). Prep for School in-service (January 13<sup>th</sup>: Technology and January 18<sup>th</sup>: Curriculum Development & Family Engagement). School District Housing Project (1 Home @ 10 Acre Property) Continued. Elementary School Building Phase II Addition (West Wing: Anticipated Completion Date: February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021) Continued. Preliminary Planning for High School Addition (Auditorium; Music Room; Kitchen Storage; Wrestling Room; Weight Room; Locker Rooms; Storage Area): Construction Manager at Risk Advertised through January 12<sup>th</sup>. Community In Schools Project Implementation (Services/Training) Continues. School Improvement Process-Preparation for Spring 2021 Site Visit Continues. No School, December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked Vonica LaPlant to let the CEO know we need list from HR and Housing Authority, need it now, dead line is February 1. COVID request with students missing school, figuring out how to change it. Feb 14<sup>th</sup> is the day the come back to school. Trying to figure out staff training for on line learning. January 13<sup>th</sup> is the training. Attendance rates are in the low 70% area. Council will put out a message to the families how important school is. Retention Officer will go out and some families have internet, some do correspondence and even that is not working well. Not everyone is different in learning, some are falling behind, they need to be back in school. 4-18 staff will be tested for COVID. There was resolution from 2015 for attendance at school. New Town has Truancy officers that reach out to students and parents. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggested having parents volunteer to call students and parents. Credits can be completed during off hours of school. Could offer incentives to have a better turnout. Reward for the 4.0 students.

**4. Twin Buttes Schools<sup>1</sup> - Troy Walters, Superintendent/Principal**

*Item deferred.*

**5. White Shield Schools - Wayne Fox, Superintendent**

Councilman Fred Fox gave the update as member of the school board. Starting up Monday, the hybrid model will be utilized for 2 days high school and 2 days elementary, the same as Mandaree. The percentage rate is 15% for sports. There is an app to watch on. Students are giving out some passes for family and friends for sports events.

**B. MHA Education Department<sup>1</sup> – Amy Mossett, Director**



*Item deferred.*

**C. MHA Education Pathways<sup>1</sup> – Deb Wilson, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**D. Head Start Program – Kelly Bradfield, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**E. Infant and Toddler Program<sup>5</sup> – Kim Dickins, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**F. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College (NHSC)<sup>5</sup> – Twyla Baker, Ph.D., President**

*Item deferred.*

**G. Higher Education Program<sup>1</sup> – Martha Hunter, Director & Melissa Everett**

*Item deferred.*

**H. 477 Program<sup>5</sup> – Jerome Dancing Bull, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM.




**CERTIFICATION**


I, the undersigned, as Chairwoman 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021; 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.

**ATTEST:**



Education Committee Chairwoman,  
Councilwoman Monica Mayer, M.D.  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes



Executive Secretary,  
Councilman Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes