



**CALL TO ORDER:**

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

*Present:* Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh, & Councilwoman Monica Mayer. *Quorum established.*

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*Motion:* Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Education Committee Minutes.**

*Motion:* Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Education Committee Minutes, Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Internship Financial Assistance Grant – Carrie Kitzberger**

Lexi Taft presented request for education grant that falls under current policy. The item was previously heard in Committee already wasn't heard in TBC due to the disruption of the pandemic.

*Motion:* Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to reapproved assistance for \$4,500 with recommendation of approval to the TBC. Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

**V. PROGRAM REPORTS:**

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

**1. Mandaree Schools**

Students will head back to school in 6 weeks. New school should be done in August. No sports going on.

**2. Parshall Schools - Shane Sagert, Superintendent**

Provided school newsletter to the committee. Students went back to class in December 2020. Students are excited to be back. Everyone has to wear a mask. Basketball season is coming to an end this weekend. Want to do a study on students and staff, how shots and rapid testing effects them. December attendance rate at 82.93%. 1<sup>st</sup> semester attendance at 85.31%. Attendance goal of 95%. In December, a dozen of our students were given an amazing opportunity to



participate in a social justice forum. The summit, hosted by Close Up, a nonprofit group out of D.C., gave students the opportunity to talk about social justice issues in tribal communities. Our students met online for three weeks with peers from three other schools, broke up into teams and created presentations each addressing a social issue. Miss Kimberly Shirkey is their advisor. Senior Jalyn Hall scored 1000 points on Monday, January 4, 2021 as the Parshall Braves took on Killdeer Cowgirls.

**3. New Town Schools - Beth Zietz, Superintendent**

Current Fiscal Year Budget: \$22,502,695.12. Expenses to Date this Fiscal Year: \$7,944,281.66. As of today, 35% of the budget expended. Student Population (K-12): 953 students (836 or 88% American Indian students). Ethnic Diversity of NTPSD#1: 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%). Winter Sports/School Activities Began on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Weekly Book Studies for Paraeducators (American Indian Books) Continued through January 18<sup>th</sup>. Students (70%) Returned to School (Face to Face) on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Impact Aid Application (\$3,200,000 Funding from USDOE) Grant Application Submitted. Coyote Warrior: One Man, Three Tribes, and the Trial that Forged a Nation Book Study Began (46 Administrators/Teachers participating). School District Housing Project (I Home @ 10 Acre Property) Continued. Elementary School Building Phase II Addition (West Wing: Anticipated Completion Date: February 15<sup>th</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>; Interviews February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Covid-19 Challenges: Attendance Rates are the Lowest in 5 years and preparing multiple referrals to Social Services and Juvenile Court. Just under 25% of staff had or have Covid. 12% have been on quarantine at various times. We are concerned about travel over the holidays & the school board has told staff to teach from home from January 4<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>. Some students returned face to face. Students are eating lunch at their desks. Virtual Reality Pilot for NTMS Classrooms begin preparation work to begin. Waiting to move into new addition to the Elementary School Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Want to request to get help getting a new stadium. Councilwoman Monica Mayer states Marc Bluestone visited her about this, there should be some funding for this. Beth needs to get a hold of Marc Bluestone about the stadium. Should have a good financial plan to go forth with this. Lost a former student recently, want staff to be trained to work with students about this. Councilwoman Monica Mayer spoke about drug issues with youth and the need for a huge drug campaign in all the schools. The schools use COVID monies to have a nurse in the schools and asked the Superintendents to come up with an anti-drug campaign. Would like to have this brought back at the next Education Committee Meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked Amy Mossett to collaborate and put together a modest budget for the



anti-drug campaign. It was noted that there is D.A.R.E. training is going on in some schools. The Superintendent noted that they need an SRO back in the Parshall School. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked Amy Mossett contact Twin Buttes and White Shield about their reports and have them emailed.

**4. Twin Buttes Schools**

*Item deferred.*

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

*Item deferred.*

**B. MHA Education Department – Amy Mossett, Director**

Legislative Bill ND 2304 is a bill that was introduced went to Committee yesterday at State Legislature. Native American to be included in history curriculum. This bill is at the committee level now. Written testimony can be submitted by email. Culture is important in our schools. The Director offered to submit committee testimony on behalf of the Education Dept. On another matter, the Director presented a resolution that she would like to rescind and replace related to a position funded through the New Town school. Madre Cello is the Coordinator. New Town School pays them, but the funding will end at the end of the month. Need approval to pick the position up and with supervision by the New Town Superintendent. Requesting to rescind resolution 19-004-FWF and replace with another resolution

**Motion:** Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to forward rescinding resolution 19-004-FWF. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

**C. MHA Education Pathways – Deb Wilson**

*Item deferred.*

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

*See Closed Session.*

**E. Infant and Toddler Program – Kim Dickins, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**F. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College – Twyla Baker, Ph.D., President**

This year's tribal supplement budget request for is for \$1.25 million (half of last years request). The college continues to adapt and work towards accommodating the needs



and safety of the students and community we serve through the pandemic. Enrollment has seen a bit of a drop from last spring, so our staff and faculty have trained and been directed to remain responsive to the changing needs of students. Our focus remains on helping them to complete successfully. The primary challenge emerging is in completion, as we saw decreased enrollment last fall when we went fully virtual. Budget dollars, grants, and other support are being directed at helping students focus on successfully making it through virtual courses. As the pandemic continues, we reassess weekly our circumstances with the goal of returning to campus by summer session. Need a better IT system. A lot of the dollars that we will be getting from Cares Act and CV4 will mostly go directly to student support. The college continues to adapt and work towards accommodating the needs and safety of the students and community we serve through the pandemic. Staff have received training for Virtual Delivery. The new College Admissions initiative will be called "Storm Offers Support (SOS): College Knowledge", which incorporates our college's sports team name and emphasizes the plan's focus, scaffolding 4 main areas of college knowledge for prospective students (middle, high school, dual credit and GED students) and their families (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.). Also requesting support seeking support to increase facility energy efficiency. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked about the general fund budget, is this the only monies. No, there are grant monies.

**Motion:** Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to forward request to Executive Committee. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

**G. Higher Education Program – Martha Hunter, Melissa Everett**

*Item deferred.*

**H. 477 Program – Jerome Dancing Bull, Director**

*Item deferred.*

**VI. CLOSED SESSION:**

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

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:16 PM.



**CERTIFICATION**

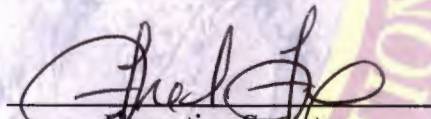
I, the undersigned, as Chairwoman for the Tribal Business Council's Education Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Education Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [ 2 ] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Education Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 22<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 22<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