

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL EDUCATION COMMITTEE APRIL 27th, 2021 MINUTES (NO CLOSED SESSION CONTENT)

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u>
Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 11:43 AM.

I. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight, Councilwoman Monica Mayer, & Councilman Fred Fox, Councilman Cory Spotted Bear. Quorum established.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 22nd, 2021 Education Committee Minutes.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the March 22nd, 2021 Education Committee Minutes. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

A. Education request - Robert Hunter Sr.

Requesting financial assistance for children's homeschooling. Break down is in the handout for the \$6,468 financial request. Children's ages are 17,13 and 10-years-old. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked Marc Bluestone how much they pay? He states for each child \$10,300 per kid. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear noted the standing policy.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Book for Senate Bill 2304 - Hunter Andes

Mr. Andes is a teacher at White Shield Schools and is an English major teaching PE. The ND Senate Bill was discussed. The bill was passed in the senate but not the House. Hunter is requesting the council recommend his book for reservation schools.

Motion: Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight moved to forward request to TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

C. School Trip Request – Misty Adler

Requesting for \$736.00 for her son, and \$830.00 for her to chaperone for the 5th grader that lives in Florida. Total cost of both parent and child is \$1,566.00.



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Councilman Fred Fox noted that there is a standing policy. Will do their trip in Florida and North Segment will cover what the policy doesn't.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to support according to the standing policy, North Segment will assist with the remaining amount. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

V. PROGRAM REPORTS:

A. Elementary/High School Program Reports

1) Mandaree Schools - Tara Thomas, Superintendent Report submitted for the record. Current Fiscal Year Budget: \$7,786,510.10. Expensed to Date this Fiscal Year: \$4,310,178.82. 57.23% of the budget expended. 2020-2021 Breakdown for Diversity/Employee Ethnic Diversity: Administrative Staff (5) [2 Non-Indian (40%), 3 American Indian (60%)]: Teaching Staff (19) [10 Non-Indian (50%), 11 American Indian (50%)]: Hourly Employees [5 Non-Indian (23%), 16 American Indian (77%)]. Upcoming Activities: Kindergarten Graduation (May 26, 2020), HS Graduation (May 27), 8th Grade Graduation (May 27). Goal/Tasks for the Next Month: Revise application for CTE funding DPI, Working on MOU with TAT Police to house an officer, Summer school- June 1-24, Correcting ongoing HR deficiencies from SY2018-21. Review deficiencies from BIA 3-year inspection completed. Have Library to Go Program students and parents can use this all year round. Will have GED this year, working on getting it set up. Have deficiencies, asbestos, outside entrance is a hazard, Need pumps to get water out of the basements, need a new boiler, Boiler unit, these are some of the concerns we need help working on. 2.5 million is owed, the construction company will not work until that is paid. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight heard the Mandaree Community board, School board will be coming to the Council regarding the school. Councilman Fred Fox asked, is there a plan for any other issues with getting the school done. Discussion on the old school, will they keep it and utilize or let it go. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight states, Mandaree Segment does not have the funds to keep the old school right now. Councilman Fred Fox states, the old White Shield schools two boilers broke, two more were purchased with segment funds. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight states, there are no funds in Mandaree to keep the old school. In the budget meeting only January was paid, February and March have not been paid. Tara will meet/ask Councilman Fred Fox how they kept the old school. At first was 2.5 paid, 2.3 paid right before when the work was stopped on the school.

Motion: Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight moved for Mandaree School to be followed up at Executive and TBC. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.



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Discussion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer states we should have a working session. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight states, we will need to meet with Dennis Fox. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggested having everyone from the Mandaree school, Construction Management, and TAT Finance meet. Should have the original contract looked over and payouts that have been paid. Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight will set a meeting up on the 3rd of May at 10:00AM in the Tribal Chambers.

- 2) Parshall Schools Shane Sagert, Superintendent
 Submitted newsletter. May 23, 2021 will be Parshalls High School Graduation.
 There will be 14 who graduate, 9 are enrolled tribal members.
- 3) New Town Schools Beth Zietz, Superintendent Report submitted for the record. Marc Bluestone provide the report on behalf of the superintendent. Current Fiscal Year Budget: \$ 22,502,685.12. Expenses to Date this Fiscal Year: \$ 12,211,923.57 with 54% of the budget expended. Student Population (K-12): 942 students (830 or 88% American Indian students). Ethnic Diversity of NTPSD#1: Teaching Staff (99) [48 Non-Indian (48%), 10 American Indian (10%), 41 Other Minority (42%); Administrative Staff (9) [8 Non-Indian (89%), 1 American Indian (11%)]. Goals/Tasks Accomplished this Reporting Period: Hiring Staff for 2021-2022 School Year (Middle School Assistant Principal: Earl Kirkpatrick; High School Assistant Principal: Nancy Reimer; Elementary Special Education Teacher: Josefina Tavera). Speech Season Completed (L. Lone Bear & S. Heart participated in the State Tournament on April 24th (Boys & Girls Track; Boys Baseball; Girls Softball: Inaugural Season; Speech; Eagle Feather Indian Club. 84% of Students are Attending School Daily and 16% of Students are Attending by Distance Learning. After School Tutoring, Saturday Academies, and Noon Tutoring Across the School District Continued. Reading Month (March: Various Activities Across the School District) Completed. School Improvement (Cognia) Site Visitation Completed on April 121h-161. Prom Held (April 17th), Parent Teacher Conferences Held (NTMS/NTHS: April 19th & ELES: April 22nd), Shopping Day for Red Hawk Estates Students Impacted by Fire (April 19th), Backpack Program (Weekend Healthy Food for Needy Students), Elementary School Building Phase II Addition, Consolidated Construction of Bismarck was Selected as the Construction Manager at Risk for the High School Addition Project (Auditorium; Music Room; Kitchen Storage; Wrestling Room; Weight Room; Locker Rooms; Storage Area); Prep Work Continued. 46 graduates, need to work on 6 to graduate. May 18 last day of school. May 8th will have a school Pow Wow at the High School Gym.
- 4) Twin Buttes Schools Troy Walters, Superintendent/Principal
 Mr. Walters gave an update. Twin Buttes has 43 students, 28 students last year.
 School Green House Project, BIE helping us with CRRP8 grant \$123,000 for it.



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Have 8 grade graduates on May 18, 6 students graduating. Will have a PE teacher next year, Music and Computer classes also. Title I Summer School, math or reading, will provide bussing and lunch. 1-7 grade will do this June and July. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear will work on paying and putting more language signs in the Community.

5) White Shield Schools

Item deferred.

B. MHA Education Department - Amy Mossett, Director

Report submitted for the record. Of the 1666 students on the reservation 1197 are MHA tribal members. Reservation wide: 131 IEP's have been completed, 479 phone calls logged, 14 student transports, 50 home visits4 informal hearings, and 0 court referrals. Average attendance rate is 86%.

C. MHA Education Pathways - Deb Wilson

Item deferred.

D. Head Start Program - Kelly Bradfield, Director

Item deferred.

E. Infant and Toddler Program – Kim Dickins, Director
Requesting training on Child Plus data program used in the Infant Toddler Program
The cost to participate in the training is \$15,000.

Motion: Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight moved to forward to TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded to the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

Kim Dickens needs a service agreement pending legal. Angel Poitra. Kim will work with Lexi on all the upcoming trainings North Segment will have HIPPA and CPR, anything else I&TP needs.

Motion: Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight moved to forward to TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded to the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

F. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College – Twyla Baker, President

Item deferred.

G. Higher Education Program – Martha Hunter, Melissa Everett



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Item deferred.

H. 477 Program - Jerome Dancing Bull

Item deferred.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM.



Councilman Fred W. Fox

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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; 5 were present at the Education Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 5th day of October, 2021; that the foregoing Minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 Members not voting.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:

Education Committee Chairwoman, Councilwoman Monica Mayer, M.D.

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