

# CALL TO ORDER:

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM.

## I. <u>ROLL CALL:</u>

*Present:* Councilman Mervin Packineau (via conference call), Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight, & Councilwoman Monica Mayer. *Quorum established.* 

# II. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u>

*Motion:* Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

# III. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u>

# July 25th 2023 Education Committee Minutes.

*Motion:* Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight moved to approve the July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Education Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

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

A. Next Education Committee Meeting September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## V. PROGRAM REPORTS:

- A. Elementary/High School Program Reports:
  - 1) Mandaree Schools Carolyn Bluestone, Superintendent/High School Principal

Item deferred.

2) Parshall Schools Shane Sagert, Superintendent

Item deferred.

## 3) New Town Schools - Anthony Vondell, Superintendent

Mr. Vandal introduced himself and handed out a report to the committee. Current Fiscal Year Budget: \$ 26,422,279.88. Expenses to Date this Fiscal Year:
\$ 1,139,406.19. Student Population (K-12): 909 students (775 or 85% American Indian students). Ethnic Diversity of NTPSD #I: Teaching Staff (97): [37 non-Indian (38%), 7 American Indian (7%), 53 Other Minority (55%)]. Administrative Staff (10): [6 non-Indian (60%), 4 American Indian (40%)]. Finalized Agreement with MHA Nation to Provide a Hidatsa Language Teacher (Jayli Fimbres) for 2 Periods a Day for the New Town High School. Hiring Staff (11 Paraeducator Positions and 3 Coaches). High School Summer School Session

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3 Completed on July 21<sup>st</sup> (Senior Seminar & Area Studies). New Town Public School District # 1 August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 Report. Met Goal of Two Summer High School Graduates by July 31<sup>st</sup> Jump Start Held at the Elementary School for Grades on Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> (35 students participated). New Teacher Workshop Held (Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>. MHA Nation Book Study Final Session Held (August 9<sup>th</sup>; New Teachers/Administrators to the School District. Back to School Staff inservices Held. Back to School Open Houses Held (Elementary School: Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> & Middle School High School: Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> School Year is Underway (First Day of School, Thursday, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>). Fall Sports Underway (Girls Golf, Football, Cross Country, Volleyball). Track Renovation Project Continued (Anticipated Completion Date: July 30, 2023). Prep Work for Storage Facility Construction Project Continued. High School Construction Project (Auditorium; Music Room; Kitchen Storage; Wrestling Room; Weight Room; Locker Rooms; Storage Area: Anticipated Completion.

#### 4) Twin Buttes Schools – Troy Walters, Superintendent

Items deferred.

5) White Shield Schools – Wayne Fox, Superintendent

Items deferred.

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

Report submitted for the record. Ms. Mossett introduced the new Superintendent of New Town Schools. (Anthony Vondell) Mr. Vondell introduced himself and gave a background on his education and work experience. Councilwoman Monica Mayer welcomed Mr. Vondell to the New Town area. The Director provided a school board list with 1,699 students from the current roster without Mandaree students. Will be over 1,700 K-12 students from Fort Berthold. Ms. Mossett stated that she received information regarding 638ing three schools on the FBIR. Dr. Sosie (In Packet) out of Minnesota would like to have a meeting with the tribe. She states she was contracted about the Segment schools. Ms. Mossett and Councilwoman Monica Mayer have not heard of her. These are BIE controlled schools, not sure where 638 comes in Tribally controlled schools. She is not aware of it or who made that request. Councilwoman Monica Mayer stated that she is not aware of that either. That issue will be moved to the next Executive. Distributed 1,300 back packs to students so far, will be in Mandaree tomorrow. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommended that the Chairman's budget should cover students that live off the reservation, shouldn't have to use MHA Education Dept funds. 930 plus students reside in North Segment, Councilwoman Monica Mayer informs that is half of all students on Fort Berthold. She needs to get her salary changed to be paid 50/50 between Tribal (170) and Federal funds. (112) The pay/salary issue will be forwarded to the next Executive meeting.



*Motion:* Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight moved to forward The Impact Aid for NTHS with discussion to Executive Committee. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

*Motion:* Councilman Mervin Packineau moved to forward Education Director Salary Modification to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

800,000, 177 families that did not qualify. Aid, there is a consistency from the BIA, have staff working on it. Major funding source is from foster care students. Now we are slowly getting some of them families back so it not at 800,000. Mr. Bluestone would have more information on it, Councilwoman Monica Mayer all you should get together and get some data. Accurate data from this Impact Aid. Councilman Mervin Packineau asked about the B.I.A aid. Is it fee land or tribal trust? Mr. Vondell will check into the impact aid.

C. MHA Education Pathways – Barb Anderson, RAIN Program Director

Item deferred.

D. Head Start Program – Kelly Bradfield, Director

#### Item deferred.

E. Infant and Toddler Program – Kim Dickins, Director

#### Item deferred.

## F. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College (NHSC) - Twyla Baker, President

Dr. Baker gave an update to the committee. She is anticipating having a total of 200 students enrolled at NHSC. Any student that graduates from any High School on FBIR will receive a tuition waiver. There are guidelines for the students to follow in order to continue receiving the waiver. Last supplement was at \$2.5 million the schools fiscal year goes until July and \$4.5 million dollars from all funding sources. Councilwoman Monica Mayer stated that NHSC needs to provide services/training that would be beneficial to the tribe and the casino. We need a lot of health care, QSP, CNA and LPN's, Casino is in dire straits, should have courses to hire people at the casino Business administration or slot tech, attendants, restraint, customer service areas. Start with health and hospitality first, please look into it, it would be great if we had that here at our college. Councilwoman Monica Mayer there is a 16-week phlebotomist program at the College in Belcourt, there were 14 phlebotomists there when she left the medical field. We have the services here, so we don't have the work force here. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight we need vocational trades.



Critical care access center would be a goal here so Sanford could run it and all our people have the health care here that was promised to us. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight how do we get a dormitory here, we need it here.

*Motion:* Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight moved to forward to Executive Committee. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

G. Higher Education Program – Martha Hunter, Director & Melissa Everett

Item deferred.

H. 477 Program – Jerome Dancing Bull, Director

FTR: Chair of Committee removed from standing agenda.

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VI. <u>CLOSED SESSION:</u> A. Debrief – Head Start Program – Kelly Bradfield, Director

# VII. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

*Motion:* Councilman Mervin Packineau moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023; 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

**ATTEST:** 

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

Executive Secretary.

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

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