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Meeting Minutes

Indiana Native American Indiana Affairs Commission (INAIAC)

December 15, 2021

Call to Order: 1:06 pm Sally Tuttle, Vice Chairman

Roll Call: Pete Magnant, Secretary

Voting Members Present:

Felica T. Ahasteen-Bryant, Tatiana Alvarez, Antoniette Holt, David Liebel, Pete Magnant, Rebecca McClain, Dorene Red Cloud, and Sally Tuttle, Madison May-Gruthusen

Voting Members Absent/Regrets:

John Adams, Scott Brewer, Bryant, Anthony Jones, and Paul Stuck

Non-Voting Members Present: Lisa Welch, Chris Campbell, and Shelli Yoder

Non-Voting Members Absent/Regrets: Dan Leonard, and Greg Walker

Guests & Introductions: David Fleischhacker, ICRC Deputy Director & General Counsel, James Garrett, Director, Indiana Commission on the Social Status of Black Males, Alexis Gonzalez, Director, Indiana Commission for Women Esther Lewis NW IN, Cathy Draeger-Williams, DNR, Dan Bortner from DNR, Wayne Campbell, Veterans Affairs

Invocation: Sally Tuttle, Vice Chairman

Approvals:

- August Meeting Minutes
- October Meeting Minutes

Director's Report:

- Native American Heritage Month
 - attendance doubled over last year
 - web sites, live events, hybrid events
 - more work with social media

Financial Reports:

October and November 2021 - Approved

Old Business:

Summer and Spring Scholarships conflicts have been resolved. About \$27,000 was given last year.

New Business:

Meeting Schedule for 2022 February 16, April 20, June 15, August 17, October 18, and December 14.

Education Subcommittee Report:

The minutes of the meeting were reviewed. 10 applications for scholarship will be available in the future. We have three scholarship programs.

Symposium:

Reported by Gil Porter, Historian in April 2022 Howard County Event Kokomo was the last Indiana community moved out of the state. Budget proposal was tabled because the lack of a quorum.

Census Report:

286,313 Indians in Indiana but there are six way to count them by the recent census bureau – over 100 different tribes in our state reported by Sally Tuttle.

Native American Indian Child Welfare Act – No changes in the 1978 document – reported by Sally Tuttle.

Sagamore Award: Conversation on the symbol and not the award itself is on-going.

Tabled: Conversation with the State Education Commissioner will be table until Scott Brewer is available.

Biographies: Short biography for the Commission is needed and they will be updated in the near future.

Debra Haza– Nine sets of human remains found in Columbus last May. There was discussion but no resolution.

Discussion on the Indianapolis Baseball Team – Scott Brewer has made contact

Adjourn: The motion to adjourn was passed at 2:43p.m.