CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE



COMMISSION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE AFFAIRS

Topic: Monthly Meeting

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2022, at 5:00 pm

Location: Zoom

Contact: Terry Sloan, Liaison

MEMBERS

Dr. Lloyd Lee Denise Zuni Lorenzo Jim Kim Benally Kimberly Gleason Jimmy Secatero Rebecca Riley (Chair) Kyle Tapaha (Co-Chair) Thelma Antonio (Secretary) Marissa Naranjo

Minutes

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call/Establish Quorum

The following members were absent: Jimmy Secatero (To'Hajiilee), Marissa Naranjo; and Kim Benally. Denise Zuni logged off at 5:25. Roll call at 5:25 with six commissioners present; three absent; and quorum is present.

2. Approval of meeting agenda.

- Agenda reviewed with a request to add 5B Kim Gleason.
- 4A, presenter had an emergency, there will be no presenter.
- Letter of support for Indian education suggested by Lloyd Lee.
- Discussion on renaming commission title. It was recommended to move to April.

Motion to approve agenda with changes made by Commissioner Lee; seconded by Co-Chair Tapaha; none opposed; motion passed.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes for March 9, 20022

Motion to approve minutes made by Commissioner Jim; seconded by Commissioner Lee; none opposed; minutes approved.

4. New Business

a) Warlance Chee, Sa'ad Kidilye, presenter of Lake Valley, NM resides in Albuquerque with Cheryl Yazzie spoke about the non-profit community services offered in the urban environment. It has created a language nest and works with people from the prenatal stage, infants and newborns due to lack of access. The office is located at Candelaria and Moon streets. It is a place that conducts training; caretaker program; parenting; prevention; language classes; team building; introduction to Montessori; community programs in moccasin making, Dine´ culture, planting; community meeting space; and conducts a sweat lodge. The center has been open since 1921 but has existed for four years. Commissioners asked the following questions: Has the center connected with any home visiting programs? The center has not developed a family program yet. Commissioner Chair Riley offered that NAPR (Native American Professional Parent Resources) has a home visiting program that they may be interested in learning about. Commissioner Gleason would like to hear more on an Arts program and children language program. Commissioner Antonio asked about participant attendance which was explained to be about 30 families/children.

Commissioner Jim spoke in Dine' of gratitude and best wishes.

- b) No Public Comment
- c) Discussion and Approval of New Action Items

Letter of support to the board of education.

Phil Farson is the interim director for the Indian Education. The board should consider sending a letter to the board of education to request and inquire when a new director will be advertised, as the interim director has been in the position for quite some time. The board would like to see a movement on a replacement before the new school year begins.

Commission Chair Riley suggests inviting Mr. Farson to a meeting to discuss the matter further. There is a committee meeting which is a public meeting on March 17th.

5. Commission Administrative Matters

a. CABQ Native American Affairs Liaison, **Terry Sloan**, CABQ Intergovernmental Tribal Liaison and **Dawn Begay**, Native American Affairs Coordinator report updates.

Dawn

- Update: OEI (Office of Equity and Inclusion) moved to the 4th floor due to the office expansion.
- Drew Ayotte (Communications) move to the Parks and Recreation division.
- Data Analyst position is open.
- OEI is evaluating service delivery; resolutions and ordinances; procurement process; language address program.
- Community block party event planned.
- MMIW (Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls) day is an event in planning for May 5th.
- 4H Park meeting with APCG for tribal consultation in latter March is scheduled and research is still ongoing in identifying the deceased on the site.
- *TASK: 1) Invite Phil Farson to provide an update on new education director. 2) Reach out to the Chairperson of the Parent Committee. Commissioner Chair Riley will invite Mr. Farson to the next board meeting.
 - b. Commission Sector Reports and Updates
 - i. Government VACANT

ii. **Education** – Commissioner Lee

 Announces that the IAIE (Institute for American Indian Education) extended deadline for proposal to make a presentation at its 2022 conference scheduled for April 28 and 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

iii. Culture – Commissioner Jim

- o Planning for an event at the Berna Fasio Center will be taking place.
- iv. **Health** Commissioner Riley No updates.
- v. Workforce/Employment VACANT
- vi. **Environment** Commissioner Naranjo No updates.
- vii. Commissioner Gleason Arts Subcommittee
 - April 4th Performing Arts planning information on zoom.
 - Concept and design for performance space will be discussed.
 - Support from other organizations at local and national level.
 - Commission Chair Riley and subcommittee to work on a draft by April meeting. Subcommittee consists of Commissioners Chair Riley, Co-Chair Tapaha, Secretary Antonio, Gleason, and Naranjo. The content should include activities, lessons learned, and either a written or oral presentation. Inquire with Terry and Dawn about the process for providing an oral presentation. And should this be done on an annual or bi-annual basis. Commissioner Gleason suggests on a 6-month basis (bi-annual).
 - Commissioner Chair Riley spoke about the website and would like a bio from everyone and a photo for the website which needs to be updated.
 - Commissioner Co-Chair Tapaha recommends a retreat and photo at an in-person meeting.

Announcements:

- Native American Training Institute at Isleta; call for proposals.
- Commissioner Co-Chair Tapaha bas been attending AIO representing the commission.
- c. Commission Member Recruitment and Application Updates
 Application for Raven Begay to fulfill the commission position Work Force Development sector has been selected but will be officially approved at the next city council meeting.

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6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Gleason; seconded by Commissioner Co-Chair Tapaha; none opposed; adjournment at 7:10 p.m.

*Action Items

Next CAIANA Meeting: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 @ 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Approved by Rebecca Riley, Commission Chair.