

ICI Board of Directors
Minutes for meeting on August 21, 2019
At 6:00pm in the Rose Room

1. Invocation –
Thank you Ms. Phyllis Stone, Sicangu Lakota Elder
2. Roll call
Deveron Baxter, Colette Yellow Robe, Kris Ross, Sloan Rupp & Kevin Abourezk
3. Approval of Agenda-
 - a. Kevin A. moved to approve the agenda. Judy V. seconded the motion.
4. Approval of Minutes – July 17, 2019 Board of Directors Minutes – see handout
 - a. Minutes approved. Unanimous approval.
5. Board Members Update
 - a. New member nominations
 - i. Kevin A. moved to nominate Jeff Mohr to serve as a Director. Kris Ross seconded the motion. Kevin offered an introduction and background on Jeff Mohr. Mr. Mohr is an employee of Nebraska Wesleyan University. Mr. Mohr addressed the Board of Directors and provided insight about his schedule and availability. Unanimous approval of his nomination and appointment to the Board. Deveron Baxter performed the swearing in of Mr. Mohr.
 - ii. Chair Baxter nominated Mr. Larry Weixelman to serve as a Director. Sloan R. seconded the motion. Mr. Weixelman offered insight and background about his business expertise. He is currently an employee at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a descendant of the Apache Tribe of New Mexico. He brings a skill set in Academic/Technology and a breadth of other things. Unanimous approval of Mr. Weixelman to the ICI Board of Directors.
 - iii. Each Board Member introduced themselves to our new Board members. Chair Baxter thanked each one of us for our service thus far. He even shed a tear. The Chair gave brief updates about the former grants and other information. Sloan requested that Nettie introduce herself. Colette Y.R. asked that additional members of the Community present introduce themselves as well. There were four additional members present (Phyllis Stone, Nettie Grant-Sikyta, Lavan Yankton & Taryn Abourezk). Chair Baxter thanked them for their attendance at the meeting. Chair Baxter provided several updates to our new members about several aspects. His updates were candid and realistic appraisals.
6. Huskers Sports Parking
 - a. Tailgating policy- there should be a price set for the parking. There are Football and some Volleyball games as well that has to be decided. It is possible to provide a “pass” or other information for parking. Director Ross suggested a permanent pass to give to the parking patrons. Director Vance gave insight about how it was done in the past and the best practices. A lot of discussion about the procedures that were done in the past. Director Ross and Community Volunteer Taryn Abourezk will work on this sub-committee.

There will be no alcohol allowed on the premises, which is a continuation of the previous policy.

Director Weixelman suggested that we invite a Pop-Up Truck to the Tailgate. Director Weixelman will look at the prices for the Port-a-potties. There was discussion about other pop-up trucks that were contacted in the past. A range of fees starting at 200.00 were discussed depending on profit and the PR strategy from the Vendor. (Profit margin of 1200 – 1500 at a percentage or flat fee).

Any expenditures and details that may arise for the August 30th and August 31st volleyball and football games will go through Treasurer Vance. ICI will provide a nominal gift to “volunteers” that assist with the parking (\$20.00).

Chair Baxter made a motion to charge \$20.00 for each car and ICI will provide one portable bathroom. Director Ross seconded the motion.

Unanimous approval. Colette abstained.

b. Additional items- additional discussion about the logistics used in the past for the games.

7. ICI Advisory Council Update- No Report.

Taco Sale held during the Pow-wow. Positive turnout. Director Colette Y.R. donated \$20 to supplies for the Taco Sale as she couldn't volunteer. Director Vance requested that the second kitchen get cleaned up. It is still in disarray from the pow-wow date when the Advisory Council utilized it.

8. Community idea – Lucinda M. & Society of Care

a. Director Ross handed out the proposal from the Healing Society. See attached.

b. Director Ross moved to approve the Society of Care proposal. Chair Baxter seconded the motion. Lucinda will work with Director Rupp to schedule the events.

Unanimous approval. No abstentions.

9. Vehicles, surplus equipment update (Kevin)-

Chair Baxter moved to sell the vehicles on Craigslist. Kevin A. seconded the motion.

Unanimous approval.

Kevin A. explained the updates with the auctioneer.

Colette Y.R. secured two titles from the DMV and turned in the receipts to Treasurer Vance for reimbursement.

10. Host a viewing of Rumble (Kevin)

Kevin is working with Shirley Sneve about the possible screening of Rumble.

11. Financial Update and Treasurer Report (Judy)

a. Petty cash policy – Treasurer Vance reported that there is a \$300.00 petty cash envelope. She paid Percy with it for the mowing (\$100.00). The room in the Admin Office is secured and locked. Treasurer Vance will write up a policy for the ICI on the access to the room and the petty cash. She will be the exclusive person who handles the petty cash.

Judy Vance continues to pay the bills and updated the Board on the settlement offer from Staples.

b. Additional items

- i. Information shared that Nettie Grant-Sikyta is assisting Judy Vance with the reconciliation of financial matters. She and Nettie just met with Denise, CPA. The audits are behind for two years. Currently, the auditor is finishing up to proceed with our audit. Then, it will go for an outside audit.
Nettie stated that the former Program Director attempted to pay bills. She found some of the documentation for the IHS grant. There is a lot of progress made up to this point.

12. Kevin A. moved to go into Executive Session after the public comments. Judy V. seconded the motion.

13. Committee Updates- the members were updated for each Committee. Secretary Yellow Robe emailed the list to Vice Chair Kevin A.

- a. Planning/Development- Deveron, Kevin, Larry, Jeff & Kris. No Report
- b. Finance/Administration- Kevin, Deveron, Judy & Larry. No Report
- c. Program/Policy- Kris, Deveron & Colette. No Report
- d. Building/Grounds- Sloan & Judy. No Report

14. New Business –

Follow up on the AA group status.

15. Public Comment-

Nettie stated that her partner is chopping wood. She also inquired about the Housing Trust Board. Kevin provided an update about the Board meeting he attended with Dr. Kirk D. Kevin informed us that they need help from the ICI Board. The current board members are still in place. Some explanation given about the ICI Housing Trust Board and background information to the new Board Members. Nettie requested that the Board Members support her volunteer work as she handles the monies for Indian Taco Sales, Event parking or any other opportunities to generate funding. The board supports her efforts. Nettie requested a letter to solicit fundraising. Chair Baxter requested that she send him an email to request the contact person.

Phyllis Stone requested that a point of clarification made about the ICI Advisory Board. She inquired about the Fundraising on behalf of ICI Advisory Board Chair Clem Crazy Thunder. Clem stated that he asked a Board member and received no answer. No one showed up to the ICI Advisory Council meeting and he wonders if it is still necessary. Chair Baxter will contact the Advisory Chair Crazy Thunder.

End of Public Comment.

16. Kevin moved to go into Executive Session. Chair Baxter seconded the motion. Unanimous approval. Executive Session ended at 9:41pm. Meeting adjourned.

17. Date and Time of Next Meeting- **September 18, 2019**

Special time in light of upcoming elections and Board membership.
September 15, 2019