

January LIEC Meeting

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Veronica Veaux, called the meeting to order via Google Hangout Meets at 5:13.

**Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** Veronica Veaux, Sydney Novak, Sharon Kingbird, and Jordan Hickman.

**Absent:** Petra Neadeau, Doris Vleck, and MacKenna Sugar.

**Also Present:** Sonia Wadena and Patty Graham

**Guest:** Ashley Jones

\* NOTE: Patty Graham will complete the LL vouchers and Sonia Wadena will sign off on them.

**Reminders:**

**2021-2022 Bemidji LIEC Board Members Ethics and Code of Conduct** was sent out and board members were asked to read them over, sign them and return to Patty Graham, Secretary to have on file in the Indian Education Office.

**2021-2022 W-9 Tax Form** was also sent out to board members who receive LL vouchers, please complete these W-9 forms, return them to Patty Graham as soon as possible.

\*NOTE: Meeting vouchers can not be sent in without having a current year's W-9 form on file.

**Approve November 2021 Minutes:** Sydney Novak made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 2021 LIEC meeting Sharon Kingbird seconded. - carried

Business:

**1. JOM Student Count:** LL JOM = 214 students / RL JOM = 272 students

Informational on JOM student count. These were the numbers turned into RL JOM & LL JOM.

**2. Annual Compliance Overview & Parent Roster - Due 03/01/2022:**

(Formally known as Resolution of Concurrence) / School Board Meeting will be Monday, January 24, 2022

After some discussion, it was decided to table this decision and set a date for a February meeting.

This Annual Compliance Overview is due March 1, 2022. TABLED UNTIL FEBRUARY 2022.

**3. Impact Aid Application - Due January 31, 2022:**

Our Indian Education Office is working on compiling information from surveys to identify where parents or guardians' places of employment is, where they are living, if that is on federal properties. Our survey date was 10/01/2021 and the deadline for this project is 01/31/2022.

**4. Planning for EASIE Title VI Grant - Surveys discussion/input:**

In times of the pandemic and not being able to host in person family nights our Indian Education Program has not been able to get many Needs Assessments done by families. In hopes to help get surveys back from families, Sonia asked the parent committee if they would approve of her

offering larger items for a drawing, or a door prize for surveys returned. There was no formal vote on this but everyone in attendance said they did not have any issue with this idea.

**5. Language from the student handbook regarding bandanas:**

- ❖ **Gene Dillon Elementary Handbook Dress Expectation - page 8 refers to bandanas.**
- ❖ **BMS Handbook Dress Guidelines - page 15 & 16 refers to bandanas.**
- ❖ **BHS Handbook Dress Guidelines - page 40 makes no reference to bandanas.**

Some of our young men with long hair are looking for an acceptable aid to help keep their hair neat and out of their faces. No action was taken on this matter, but after some discussion, everyone seemed to like the “culturally appropriate and functional” statement when it came to the use of bandanas. Sonia will forward this recommendation for student handbooks next year.

**6. Dennis Rogers - Visiting Guest Speaker:**

Dennis Rogers, is from the Navajo Nation. He is giving demonstrations of traditional Navajo Hoop Dance, Navajo sand painting, and a message of positive self-image for our Bemidji Area School students in elementary and middle school.

**Adjourn:**

Sharon Kingbird made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sydney Novak seconded. -Carried