

June 2023 LIEC Meeting

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Veronica Veaux, Chair called the meeting to order at 12:09 via Google Meet.

Roll Call: Members Present: (Virtually) Veronica Veaux, Sydney Novak, Doris Vleck, and Sharon Kingbird

Absent Excused: Sidney Kingbird-Haugen, Jordan Hickman, and Petra Neadeau

Also Present: Sonia Wadena Guests:

Reminders for Board Members:

Please complete the 2022-2023 Bemidji LIEC Board Members Ethics and Code of Conduct.

Update your W-9 form for 2022-2023 and complete your voucher, if you are meeting online

Sonia Wadena will serve in lieu of Patty Graham for this meeting as secretary, and will complete your voucher.

Approve Minutes:

Doris Vleck made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 16, 2023 LIEC meeting Sydney Novak seconded. - carried

Business:

1) **Title VI:** Informational - 2023/24 SY GAN (Grant Award Notice) should be coming out on or about July 1st. We don't anticipate an increase in the original anticipated award, so the original budget won't need to be revised.

2) **MDE American Indian Student Count Notice & Estimated Student Aid Award:**

Informational - Discussion of how the additional legislative aid would be best used to benefit the students. It was recommended that it be used to support secondary education (6-12) to increase academic achievement and increase graduation rates. LIEC parents were invited to engage with district staff in the discussion of needs and planning. Veronica Veaux volunteered to participate.

3) **The Resilience Challenge Grant Opportunity:** Discussion was held & ideas shared on the idea of applying for the grant based on seasonal teachings such as hunting and gathering with a focus on fishing and sugar bush at this time. Ricing was not feasible due to the time constraints of the award timeline. Seasonal Activities such as Snow Snakes was also an activity that could be added. It was decided no motion was needed, but all were in support of the other agency moving forward with writing the application on our behalf.

4) **Summer School:** Our students are off to a great start with summer school and classrooms are full. The LIEC agreed to utilize JOM funds and braid with state American Indian Education Aid to purchase incentives for students to reach academic and attendance goals for summer.

Updates on:

Graduation Rate Calculation - Discussion was had on cohorts and on the 4 year vs. 5 year grad rates, we will invite Michael Diedrich from MDE to an upcoming LIEC mtg to clarify the data.

Other:

Adjourn:

Sydney Novak made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Doris Vleck seconded. - Carried

Reminder:

The next LIEC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 5:00 PM
in the BMS Media Center Classroom / Google Meets Available.