

September LIEC Meeting
Tuesday, September 29, 2020

Veronica Veaux, LIEC Chair called the meeting to order via Google Hangout Meets @ 5:07.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Veronica Veaux, Petra Neadeau, Sydney Harper, Sharon Kingbird, Don Kingbird, Mary Fairbanks, Doris Vleck, and Jordan Hickman.

Absent: Joe Day

Also Present: Sonia Wadena and Patty Graham.

Guests: Tim Lutz and John Gonzalez

Approved April 2020 Minutes: Doris Vleck made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 2020 meeting Sydney Harper seconded. –carried.

*A “Save the Date” Reminder of LIEC 2020-2021 Meetings Dates were handed out.

#1. 3- 2 yr. (2020-2022) Board Members positions are open.

Members at large are: Veronica Veaux/ Petra Neadeau/ Joe Day.

Sydney Harper nominated Veronica Veaux to the board for 20-22 seat Petra Neadeau seconded.
- carried.

Veronica Veaux nominated Petra Neadeau to the board for 20-22 seat Doris Vleck seconded.
- carried.

With no more nominations, it was decided to leave an open seat on the board.

– TABLED until the October 13, 2020 meeting.

#2. Election for Chair: Doris Vleck nominated Veronica Veaux for the Chair position Petra Neadeau seconded. *Nomination Closed - carried

#3. Election for Vice Chair: Veronica Veaux nominated Petra Neadeau for Vice Chair position Sydney Harper seconded. *Nomination Closed - carried

#4. Appointed Teacher Rep.: Doris Vleck –

#5. Appointed Student Rep.: _____ - Unable to attend, will be appointed at the next meeting. - TABLED until the October 13, 2020 meeting.

#6. LIEC BY-LAWS: Article II /10. Review and approve parent committee BY-LAWS on an annual basis. Following the recommendations of the board - No changes will be made. Sydney Harper made a motion to approve the current LIEC BY-LAWS with no changes to them. Doris seconded – carried.

#7. Approval of the IPP – Indian Policies & Procedures: The IPP were presented to the LIEC Board for their approval. Mary Fairbanks suggest that LEA be spelled out at least once (LEA) The Local Education Authority for clear understanding. Sydney Harper then made a motion to

approve the IPP SY:2020-2021 Doris Vleck seconded. -carried. This will be presented to the school board for their approval at the 10-19-2020 meeting.

#8. Approval of JOM Expenditure: Petra Neadeau made a motion to approve JOM expenditures for 09-29-2020 invoices for \$13,241.49. Sharon Kingbird seconded. –carried

#9. Indian Education Program Plan/ Family Engagement Activities Discussion:

Without being able to host family nights at our schools, our program is looking for ideas in finding family engagement activities for students and families from grades 1 – 12. Being aware of the mental health, social emotional health, and the stress levels that our families may be in right now. Some of the things we are working on are beading packets, videoing book reading or story time, looking into videoing a cooking segment. Board members suggest things like outdoor activities, Indigenous games, maybe do a monthly theme. The program will be able to start up the Drum Group, Beading Circle and Quiz Bowl again, with safety changes and social distancing. Sonia invited LIEC members that if they have strengths or talents that they would like to share to contact her to make a possible video.

#10. Distance Learning Discussion: To make a clarification that tribes have not made any recommendation to either distance or in person learning. They are leaving the decision to the families of their student's education. As of today, we have 398 K-12 distance learners that is 47% American Indian Students of the total district distance learners. This is a worry considering the future's achievement gap, and simply getting some of those distance learners back in our schools when it's a safe. Other struggles are no internet availability to some rural areas forcing students to do paper packets. Supporting care givers, teaching them how to help their students.

#11. Graduation Update: 35 American Indians student graduated in the class of 2020 with 4 of those students not completing requirements to receive their diplomas. We are working with the high school to make sure that COVID 19 was not a factor in them not receiving credits. These students are so close to achieving their high school graduation goal and we'll continue to encourage and serve them.

Adjourn: Doris Vleck made a motion to adjourn, Sharon Kingbird seconded – carried.

Reminder:

The next LIEC Meeting is Tuesday, October 13, 2020 @ 5:00 Google Hangout Meets.