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Minutes of the Culture Preservation Committee Meeting

January 7th, 2025

Present: Tristen Tucker, Martina Thomas, Alicia Rezendes, Sarah Boyd, via zoom. Jim was excused due to illness.

The meeting was called to order at 5:14 p.m. by Martina Thomas.

A prayer was given by Tristen . Roll call was taken. We then reviewed and approved the agenda after making motions to amend them.

#1.) Martina made a motion to excuse jim. Tristen seconded.

Levi joined the meeting via zoom. At 5:17.

#2.) Sarah made a motion to approve the agenda for the January 7th meeting pending corrections. It was seconded by Alicia.

#3.) Levi made a motion to approve Nov. 2024 financials.

It was seconded by Martina.

Next we discussed the 3 part history class, who would be available to teach and what we would be paying speakers.

Levi shared that Nicky Michaels and Jeremy Johnson were available to teach.

Sarah then shared a story about her experiences at Caesar's Ford Theatre, and what they did and taught while there.

We continued to discuss who could fill the last history class as a speaker and Martina said that she would be up for teaching one of the classes.

We decided that Martina would teach Pre-contact, Jeremy would teach post contact, and Nicky Michaels will teach forced removal/where we are today.

We then discussed how much to pay speakers. We agreed that we would pay \$250 to each speaker.

#4.) Sarah made a motion to pay Martina Thomas \$250, for an hour talk, on pre-contact for the history class. (paid by line item #62351

It was seconded by Levi. Martina Abstained.

#5.) Sarah made a motion to pay Jeremy Johnson \$250, for a 1hour talk, on post contact for the history class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Levi.

#6.) Sarah made a motion to pay Nicky Michaels \$250 for a 1 hour talk, on where we are today as Lenape people. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Levi.

Next we discussed the brain tan class. Tristen spoke of his concerns being able to get a hide in time and not having any place to store it until the class. He then suggested using different animal hides for the class to make it easier, like coyotes or raccoons, Levi suggested beavers.

Then we discussed purchasing materials for the class and Levi suggested green deer hides.

We then talked about whether or not we would have enough material for everyone to go home with a football, Sarah suggested we do a drawing for who ended up with one.

Alicia asked about correcting the minutes.

Next we discussed how much to spend per class.

#7.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$500 for green deer hides for the February class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Tristen.

#8.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$200 for tanned leather, glover needles, sinew, razors and other supplies, for the February class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Tristen.

Next we discussed having 8 people in the football making class, as well as having a zoom class available for any federally recognized tribal member. They would be responsible for providing their own supplies for the class, which will be provided in a supplies list for the class. We went over the need for leather, sinew, glover needles, green deer hide. The class is to be held on Feb. 23rd, 3-8 pm, with a 5 pm dinner break.

#9.) Levi made a motion to pay Tristen Tucker \$60 to help teach the pahsahikan (Indian football) class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Martina. Tristen abstained.

#10.) Martina made a motion to amend the December meeting minutes, that the pahsahikan (indian football) class is on February 23rd.

#11.) Martina made a motion to amend the December meeting minutes, that the first history class is on the 23rd of January.

Next we discussed the survey results. There were 20 responses, from florida, kansas, copan area, with the most common age range in responses being around 35-44. Days that work best for cultural classes were said to be Sat, sunday and friday. Best time after 6 pm. There was a wide interested in all of the classes that were suggested.

Next we discussed the use of jotform. Giving stipulations for signing up for classes, to confirm attendance leading closer to the class date- to allow space for others interested if there are last minute cancellations. We ultimately decided not to use jot form and continue doing things how we have been.

Levi then suggested having multiple classes on one subject, split up, so that more people have an opportunity to participate in case they were unable to join the first class.

Next we discussed getting a zoom account and creating an email for that zoom that we can all access. Alicia said that she would look into creating the email and what it would require.

Next we revisited making a wampum belt and purchasing supplies. We discussed not wanting to involve politics in the creation of this belt. Sarah suggested we create a write up about the belt, before sharing publicly.

We then moved on to new business.

#12.) Martina made a motion to ratify poll votes made on 12/14/2024

It was seconded by Alicia.

We decided that the culture camp discussion would require a separate special meeting, as there is a lot to go over.

Next we discussed a drum group. Sarah had shared that a song was gifted to our tribe a few years ago at powwow. We had talked about having these classes 1-2 times a week for an hour and a half, to teach the basics of drumming and how to respect the drum. We discussed various people to head the class, and provide beverages. Who to ask for use of a big drum and compensation for drummers. We ultimately decided that we need to wait until we have confirmation of participation for drummers, before scheduling anything.

Next we discussed the various topics that we need to go over in a special meeting, including the culture camp and wampum belt.

#13.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$100 at Tacos Maria, for January 19th special meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4th @ 5:30 in the FCS building.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

December 3rd 2024

Motion Number 1

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Alicia

Motion: To approve agenda.

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 2

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To approve poll vote made on Nov.14th.

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 3

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Sarah

Motion: To approve meeting minutes.

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 4

Motion made by: Sarah

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: To spend up to \$250 on a Zoom subscription for the committee.

(paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 5

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: To pay Alicia \$50, to make a Brain Tanning Class flyer.

(paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 1

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Motion Number 6

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Sarah

Motion: To spend up to \$200 at Subway, for history class on January 3rd. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 7

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Tristen

Motion: spend up to \$200 on pizza for the history class on January 30th. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 8

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To spend up to \$250 at Luigi's, for the Feb 6th history class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 9

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: Martina made a motion to pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, to make the 3 part history class flyer. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 1

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Motion Number 10

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Sarah

Motion: To purchase two lockable boxes that do not exceed \$500. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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Motion Number 11

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, to make a flyer for the Indian Football Class. (paid by line item #62351.)

Motion passed: Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 1

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Motion Number 12

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Alicia

Motion: To spend up to \$250 on calzones, for the Indian football class, on feb.19th.

Motion passed: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0

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