

Sunday October 16, 2022

Heipa District Center

HEIPA REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Present: 28 members signed in. See sign in sheet.

Chairman Merlin Jay Renville called the meeting to order at 11:06am.

Prayer by Spencer Wanna.

Agenda:

- i. Chairman's Report
- ii. Vice-Chair's Report
- iii. Secretary's Report
- iv. Councilperson's Report
- v. Board and Committee Reports

CHAIRMAN MERLIN JAY RENVILLE'S REPORT

There was a discussion of tribal employees being let go at SWC because of at will employment. Heipa college board representative was not present today. Buffalo lake district voted in a member, but the college won't seat them. SWC charter.

The election board had court on October 5, 2022, for the treasurer position but candidate Michelle Wanna did not appear. A motion was made to accept Erin Kiyukanpi as the interim district treasurer.

Angie Johnson's home repair program – only enough to fund 30 homes and requested more funds from Council out of ARPA funds. There is a request for 2 million dollars for 2023-2024 to go towards home repair and rental assistance.

The election board requested to move the polling location for the November 8, 2022 election to St. Kateri's for more voter turnout.

There was a discussion on building a water tower for the jail infrastructure. The membership requested paper report and updates on who is hired for it and where they are at in the process.

Housing policies and procedures were passed out for the membership last month.

We are waiting on Council for a District Days decision. There were two options suggested at the October 6, 2022, Heipa Executive Meeting. College students, incarcerated, sick in the hospital, military, and those in treatment will only receive the District Portion of \$300.

There has not been a confirmed group to do the District Audit yet. The Watertown group has not replied with an answer if they will do the audit.

Motions

Motion 1 by Allen White, second Doug Renville, question Marie Renville to support Buffalo Lake District to get their elected college board member seated. 13 for, 2 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 2 by Gypsy Wanna, second Bob LaFromboise, question Elly LaBelle to get the current SWC charter and to bring it to the district for review. 15 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 3 by Bob LaFromboise, second by Alan LaBelle, question by Doug Renville for Council to allocate another 2 million dollars per year for 2023-2024 to Angie Johnson's Homeowners Program for home repair. 15 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 4 by Joey Heminger, second Barb Heminger, question Elly LaBelle to have the election polling station at St. Kateri's in Sisseton for the November 8, 2022 election. 13 for, 6 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 5 by Tammie Dumarce, second Helena LaBatte, question Elly LaBelle for option one for district days: \$300 per person must be present at the designated distribution center. To include college students, incarcerated, sick in the hospital, military, and those in treatment (must provide documentation). 17 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.

VICE-CHAIR KAREN WHITE'S REPORT

There was a discussion on when the Treatment Center would be finished and the feasibility of it. There are concerns about the type of treatment and what is used for the different addictions people have and having long enough treatment programs.

Discussion of Robert's County Officers overstepping their jurisdiction on tribal and trust land. This jeopardizes Tribal Sovereignty and goes against rights.

Erin Kiyukanpi was sworn in as interim Heipa Treasurer.

Break at 12:40pm. Resumed session at 12:55pm.

Motions

Motion 6 by Tammie Dumarce, second Bob LaFromboise, question Allen White to allocate more money to the Tribal Police Department to hire more tribal member police officers and to send them to train in Artesia, New Mexico. 17 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 7 by Joey Heminger, second Alan LaBelle, question Marie Renville to swear in Erin Kiyukanpi as Heipa Treasurer. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 8 by Tammie Dumarce, second Joey Heminger, question Barb Heminger to reaffirm district motion for the removal of Chief of Police Gary Gaikowski. 18 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

New member applicants: Dakota Robertson, Cynthia Darlene Galindo, Ronald Lee Dutchover, and Michael Dean Tarron. Michael Dean Tarron did not meet blood quantum requirement for Heipa Membership per Heipa Constitution and was denied membership.

Youth to adult applicant: Bailey Vivian Wanna

Motions

Motion 9 by Bob LaFromboise, second Tammie Dumarce, question Joey Heminger to accept the two Executive Meeting Minutes held on September 28, 2022, and October 6, 2022, and September 18, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 10 to by Alan LaBelle, second Bob LaFromboise, question Doug Renville to accept the three adult members Dakota Robertson, Cynthia Darlene Galindo, and Ronald Lee Dutchover. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 11 by Joey Heminger, second Helena LaBatte, question Mickey Renville to accept the youth to adult member Bailey Vivian Wanna. 15 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

COUNCILWOMAN GYPSY WANNA'S REPORT

Councilwoman Gypsy Wanna gave her report on tours of Flandreau's medical marijuana facility and their newly built nursing home.

There was a discussion on IHS, dialysis, trained technicians, and new forms of treatment. IHS should have a biomed person for medical equipment. Council woman is advocating for better options, treatments, and services. There is concern for funding and which departments these would fall under.

Motions

Motion 12 by Joey Heminger, second Alan LaBelle, question Doug Renville to accept all Executive and Council Reports. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marie Renville

- i. Constitution amendments that will be voted on were presented.
- ii. THPO continues to work on bringing home family from Carlisle.
- iii. Personnel hired four new employees.

Bob LaFromboise

- i. Judicial had updates on codes.

Elly LaBelle

- ii. Elly was an alternate for the Election Board and requested stipend for subpoenaed members who showed up for testimonies in court.

Discussions

There is concern with Elderly Days for unfair treatment and double standards with bringing ID, tribal certificates, and power of attorney papers. A member had

difficulty picking up her daughter's elderly monies and another tribal member had trouble picking up his wife's elderly monies while another person was able to pick up her mother's elderly monies with no papers.

People are still waiting for Housing to repair homes for doors, stoves, refrigerators, etc. Housing road was given the wrong sign, Keeble Circle was given the sign Keoke.

There was discussion on school clothes and which ages are given assistance and which guidelines the district follows. We need to get the Tribe's policies and procedures for school clothes.

There were complaints of using the district van for youth trips.

Motions

Motion 13 by Elly LaBelle, second Allen White, question Helena LaBatte to pay Barbara Heminger and Karen White a \$250 stipend because they were subpoenaed to give testimony for Tribal Court for Heipa Election Board V Michelle Wanna. 7 for, 8 opposed, motion defeated.

Motion 14 by Marsha Renville, second Katherine Wanna, question Charlene Lafontaine to rescind motion 10 from Tribal Council minutes from October 4, 2022, because it is in violation of the Tribal Constitution Article 9 Bill of Rights. 20 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 15 by Barbara Heminger, second Katherine Wanna, question Elly LaBelle to pay all district youth head start through 12th grade who apply by the deadline of October 21, 2022, for school clothes regardless of age. 14 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 16 by Katherine Wanna, second Barbara Heminger, question Doug Renville to add Erin Kiyukanpi to the signature cards for the bank books. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 17 by Katherine Wanna, second Barbara Heminger, question Doug Renville to remove Clarine Dumarce from the signature cards for the bank books. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motions

Motion 18 by Marsha Renville, second Elly LaBelle to adjourn. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:12pm.

ATTENDANCE

Executives and Board & Committee Members					
Chairman	Jay Renville	X	Amos White	Constitution, Pow Wow	X
Vice-Chair	Karen White	X	Angel Wanna	Election, Youth	X
Treasurer			Barbara Heminger	Elderly	X
Secretary	Renaë Huntington	X	Bob LaFromboise	Constitution, Judicial, REB	X
Council Representative	Gypsy Wanna	X	Doug Renville	Elderly	X
Sargent of Arms	Mickey Renville	X	Elly Dumarce	Constitution, Elderly, Pow Wow	X
			Helena LaBatte	Environmental Protection	X
			Kristin Wanna	Pow Wow, Youth	X
			Leanna Bernard	Election, Youth	X
			Marie Renville	Constitution, Elderly, Personnel, THPO, TZTS	X
			Michelle Wanna	SWC	A
			Nadine LaBelle	Election, Pow Wow, Youth	X
			Spencer Wanna	Election, Fish & Wildlife, Housing	X
			Steve Renville	SWO Pow Wow	E
			Verlyn Beaudreau	Police Commission	E
			Winfield Rondell	Human Services, Planning, Tax, TERO	E
<i>X=present, E=excused absence, U=unexcused absence</i>					

*Minutes recorded by: Secretary Renaë Huntington
 Minutes approved on: November 20, 2022, Motion 10.*

Date 10-16-2022
Board Meeting District

Heipa District
Sign-In Sheet

Special Meeting
Executive Meeting
Regular Meeting

Meeting

[Signature]

1	Nochre LaBelle
2	Alex D LaBelle
3	Tammie Dullarce
4	Joey Kemmer
5	Mickey Renville
6	Spencer Danner
7	Mario Rencillo
8	Doug RENVILLE
9	Kenneth
10	Hyungseung
11	David
12	Katharine Wanna Kautel
13	Anaël Warner
14	Robert LaFrance
15	Elmira LaBelle
16	Brianne Kemmer
17	Betha Hrebyk
18	Shirley McConnell
19	Joseph
20	Charlene Odd
21	Ranielle, L, Feather
22	Edith MacConnell
23	Veronica Leaf-Bellitz
24	Renville, Marka
25	Helena LaBelle
26	Kristin
27	Renee Huntington
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