

Native American Indiana Affairs Commission
Wednesday, June 6, 2007 (1:00 pm)
Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians & Western Art
Canal Level Board Room
500 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

- I. Call to Order and Noting of Quorum
 - A. Commission members present: Brian Buchanan, Terry Stuff, Brian Fahey, Steve Hall, Mike Barnhart, Ray Gonyea, Rick Jones, Reggie Petoskey, Clarence White, Dark Rain Thom, Jackie Cissell, Linda Madagame, Joe Baker, Senator Waterman, and John Quick.
 - B. Clarence White - opening prayer

- II. Introduction of Commission
 - A. Resolution thanking Josh Richardson for his leadership

- III. Agenda Approval
 - A. Motion to accept agenda made by Ray Gonyea and seconded by Terry Stuff
 - B. Motioned carried.

- IV. Minutes
 - A. Motion to accept minutes with corrections made by Ray Gonyea and seconded by Clarence White.
 - B. Motion carried.

- V. Announcements
 - A. INAIAC Funding approval in state budget

 - B. Next meeting September 12, 2007
 - C. Town Hall Information (PowerPoint available)
 - 1. First one was held in Wabash in April – 600 NA in Wabash county but only 15 showed up. There was a lack of media coverage. Awareness is out goal - communication
 - 2. Next Town Hall will be held in September hosted by Reggie Petoskey.
 - 3. We need a photo op and feature story.

 - D. Rotunda panel for Minority Health Coalition March 29
 - 1. See attached handout
 - E. Felicia Boyd-Smith, Child and Family Services review program manager – Point of Contact
 - 1. Assessment
 - 2. On-site review – Marion, Jefferson and Montgomery County
 - 3. Program improvement

VI. Organization of the Commission

A. Commission seat openings

1. One seat open

B. Commission meeting dates approval

1. New meeting date for November 7, 2007
2. Move to bi-monthly in 2008 – 1st Wednesday of month except January (2nd Wed.) and July (2nd Wed.) Ray Gonyea will check availability of board room for those dates. If not available the commission will meet in the Ruth Lilly Theatre. Brian Fahey moves to accept new meeting dates and Reggie Petoskey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VII. Committee Reports –

A. Executive Committee

1. Commission delegation for admin. tasks before July 1

B. Legislative Funding Committee

1. Formal approval of the INAIAC's FY'08 budget – see attachment- Commission chose Budget #2
2. DWD involvement – administrative tasks
3. Department of Education might print & distribute materials produced by NAIAC
4. Motion # 3 – That the INAIAC adopts its biennial budget for FY08-09 and recommends its acceptance and approval by DWD and the State Budget Agency
5. Motion #4 made by Brian Fahey seconded by Dark Rain Thom. That the INAIAC hereby authorized the executive committee to submit the commission's budget to DWD for its review and approval and further authorized the executive committee to make administrative and ministerial decisions and take such actions as are needed to give full effect to the commission's budget, to initiate and complete such personnel actions as are authorized by the budge, and to bring the commission's office into operational status. The executive committee shall report to the full commission its actions as they are taken with understanding that the selection committee will go to the full commission for final vote on any position offered. The executive committee will be expanded for the initial screening and selection of the executive director. Commission member added are Jackie Cissell, John Quick and Dark Rain Thom. Motion carried 12 to 1.
6. Motion #5 made by Brian Fahey and seconded by Brian Buchanan. That the INAIAC directs the legislative affairs committee to study the following legislative items and report its results at the next regularly scheduled meeting in September, 2007.

1. Amend the INAIAC's authorizing statute to specifically approve payment of per diems.
 2. Amend the INAIAC's authorizing statute to make it clear that members of state recognized Indiana tribes are eligible to be appointed to the Commission as Native American members.
 3. Amend the INAIAC's authorizing statute so as to make it clear that appropriations to the commission are "non-reverting"
 4. Reassign the proceeds of the BMV's Native American license plate fund to the INAIAC.
- Motion Carried.

C. State Recognition Committee Report

1. Senator John Waterman is looking at some things for next session.
2. Committee will meet in late July.

D. DOC Spirituality Committee Report

1. Steve Hall talked about the New Castle incident – the full report can be found on the DOC website. The NA unrest was reported in the newspapers as being a big factor but the report shows that it was not a precipitating event. The grievances were mainly about the differences in policies between the Arizona and Indiana systems. Indiana has not allowed smoking since 1987 but they are allowed to smoke in Arizona. Property issues are different – in Arizona prisoners are allowed to have personal items such as televisions and they are not allowed in Indiana. Another issue was the problem of family visitations. There is also a lack chaplains at New Castle. The ratio is usually 1 -500 but it is 1-2000. The prison at New Castle is privately run by the GEO Group and they have to follow Indiana policies. The staff was new for the most part.
 - a. A special thanks to Johnny Flynn who offered his help to New Castle. He built a Sweat Lodge
 - b. 90% of NA prisoners suffer substance abuse. AA is overwhelmed – White Bison is the NA AA group. Talking circles.
2. Special Library for NA at New Castle
3. Treatment Program
4. On-going need for qualified spiritual leaders at all facilities.

E. Directory Committee Report

1. Brian Fahey is cleaning up list.

F. Sachem Committee

1. Committee is acting in an advisory capacity on the redesign award display. Provide a wish list. Need to know how much money is there.

G. NAGPRA –Findings log

1. Need web-based log of NA findings
2. Status of human remains- giving no specific locations

3. Accidental discoveries
 - a. Bartholomew County – human remains – law enforcement, DNR & U of I.
 - b. Skull found in LaGrange County – 3000-4000 yrs old. Conservation officer investigated and U of I. Reburial has to be done in a designated area – denotes cemetery.
4. Rick Jones offered to make a presentation on state and federal laws. What do you do with eroded remains - reburial

H. Housing Assistance Committee

1. No current programs
2. Programs for seniors
3. Looking for NA programs in other states – Lt. Gov. Office

I. Education Assistance Committee

1. College Funding – Brian Fahey is putting a list together of financial aid for NA students.
2. Native awareness – Reggie Petoskey shared a racist experience he encountered at a Veterans program. He wants to educate the public. PowWows are about celebration not war time.

J. Health Assistance Committee - Joseph Baker - Dept. of Health

1. Increase outreach efforts by going to PowWows, etc. Educating Natives about health issues.
2. Culturally tailor website, create network, Native health survey.

VIII. Future Topics

- A. Steeplechase Productions – New film on Tecumseh in Tippecanoe Co. July and Nov. Casting for non-speaking parts - 30-40 parts.

X. Public Comments

- A. Dennis Lamente – Grad Student at IU working on a resource library and is offering assistance.
- B. Stu Clampant – works for Montgomery County newspaper.

Adjournment

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Resolution

The Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission hereby resolves that Joshua D. Richardson, Department of Workforce Development, be commended for his leadership and effective assistance to the Commission during the time he has served as DWD's designee to the Commission. His guidance and able support has advanced the work of the Commission in ways which will resonate in the years to come.

Adopted unanimously this 6th day of June, 2007.

Brian J. Buchanan
Chairman
INAIAC

Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission Budget 2 FY2008 -2009

	FY1008	FY2009
Salaries & Wages	49,800	51,294
Fringe Benefits	15,937	16,415
Other Personal Services	0	0
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Total Personal Services	65,737	67,709
52 Services Other than Personal	2,500	2,500
53 Services by Contract Production/distribution of PSAs for radio and television; printing studies and reports	11,293	10,942
54 Materials and Supplies	2,150	2,100
55 Equipment Laptop for slide show; tabletop displays	3,870	1,440
57 Grants, Distributions & Subsidies	0	0
58 In-State Travel	10,400	11,009
59 Out-of-State Travel	4,100	4,300
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Total Other Services	34,263	32,291
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Grabd Total	100,000	100,000
 Staffing:		
Full Time {positions	1	1
Intermittent Positions	1	1

Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission **Budget 1** **FY2008 -2009**

	FY2008	FY2009
Salaries & Wages	12,000	12,000
Fringe Benefits	918	918
Other Personal Services	0	0
Total Personal Services	12,918	12,918
52 Services Other than Personal	2,500	2,500
53 Services by Contract Production/distribution of supplemental educational materials, K-5; production/ distribution of PSAs (radio, television); printing studies and reports	67,411	68,641
54 Materials and Supplies	1,851	1,851
55 Equipment Laptop for slide show; tabletop displays	3,870	1,440
57 Grants, Distributions & Subsidies	0	0
58 In-State Travel	9,400	10,500
59 Out-of-State Travel	2,050	2,150
Total Other Services	87,082	87,082
Grabd Total	100,000	100,000
Staffing:		
Full Time {psitions	0	0
Intermittent Positions	1	1

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Motions

Motion #1:

That the Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission schedule a regular meeting of the Commission on Wednesday, November 7, 2007, in the Board Room at the Eiteljorg Museum.

Motion #2:

That the Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission adopt a bi-monthly meeting schedule of official Commission meetings, beginning in 2008, as follows:

January 9, 2008
March 5, 2008
May 7, 2008
July 9, 2008
September 10, 2008
~~October 8, 2008~~
November 5

Motion #3:

That the Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission adopts its biennial budget for FY2008-FY2009, and recommends its acceptance and approval by DWD and the State Budget Agency.

Motion #4:

That the Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Committee to submit the Commission's budget to the DWD for its review and approval, and further authorizes the Executive Committee to make all administrative and ministerial decisions and take such actions as are needed to give full effect to the Commission's budget, to initiate and complete such personnel actions as are authorized by the budget, and to bring the Commission's office into operational status. The Executive Committee shall report to the full Commission its actions as they are taken. *with understanding ---*

Motion #5:

*Discussion regarding hiring of executive director
selection committee - go to full commission
for final vote on position*

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