# Nevada Indian Commission Indian Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

*June 17, 2021*Via ZOOM

Committee Member	Seat Filled	Present	Absent
Chair – Fawn Hunter	Washoe Tribe School District	X	
Theresa Rowe	Washoe Tribe of NV & CA Head Start	X	
Miguel Martinez	Truckee Meadows Community College	X	
Fredina Drye-Romero	Nevada Department of Education	X	
Vice Chair - Della Frank	Clark County Department of Education	X	
	Coordinator II		
Mary Williams	Yerington Paiute Tribe Education Director	X	
Cassandra Stahlke	Elko School District	X	
Kari Emm	Director of Transfer Admissions and		X
	Programs UNR		
Lance West	Principal Schurz Elementary School		X
William Bauer	Professor of History and Program Director	X	
	American Indian & Indigenous Studies,		
	UNLV		

NIC Staff Present: Stacey Montooth, Executive Director; Sari Nichols, Program Officer

#### I. Invocation

Fredina Drye-Romero gave the invocation.

### II. Welcome and Introductions

Chairwoman Hunter called the meeting to order at 1:34pm. Chairwoman Hunter asked for introductions and roll call. Quorum was established.

#### **III.** Initial Public Comment

There were no public comments

# IV. Approval of May 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Theresa Rowe moved to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. Miguel Martinez seconded. The motion passed.

#### V. Unfinished Business (For Possible Discussion and Possible Action)

#### A. Discussion on current bylaws

The committee members discussed the best way to work on the bylaws that did not include hours long meetings. Ms. Drye-Romero shared a past document that broke she worked on with another committee. The document showed the suggested changes and reason for them in tables next to the original document. Everyone agreed this demonstrated the changes in an easy to understand form. The group agreed to track the changes using this template. Next, the group discussed using Google docs in order to share a collective document that they could work on individually. Mr. Martinez asked if this would count as a meeting. Ms. Nichols assured him that working in Google docs individually does not count as a meeting. Chairwoman Hunter asked Mrs. Drye-Romero to share the document and gave a deadline of July 01, 2021 to make suggested changes.

#### VI. Committee Member Comments and Announcements (For Discussion)

- a) Mrs. Drye-Romero thanked Professor Bauer for his interview on NPR.
- b) Mrs. Montooth reported on the new laws just passed that help Indigenous people, including the tuition waiver for students of higher education. She reported on how well these bills were received by the Native community.
- c) Vice Chairwoman Frank reported on a job opening within the Clark County Indian Education Department, student success advocate. She will share a link to the job posting.
- d) Chairwoman Hunter reported on three part-time positions for student graduation success advocates for Washoe County Title VI program.

## VII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings (For Discussion)

Continuing with a work session that goes into detail on the recommended changes. Scheduling and Location of Next Meeting (For Discussion)

The next meeting will be on ZOOM, July 8, 2021 at 1:30pm

## VIII. Final Public Comment

Ms. Nichols asked Mr. Martinez and Mrs. Drye-Romero to return their signed membership forms.

# IX. Adjournment

Chairwoman Hunter adjourned the meeting at 2:50.