

Indian Education Committee Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2019

I. Call to order

Ricardo Sanchez called to order the regular meeting of the IEC at 10:00 am on September 12, 2019 at Indian Education Office/CVMS.

II. Roll call

Veronica Ortiz conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Jessica Wright, Aileen Lopez, Gina Chavarria, Victoria Aquino, Lisa Lopez, Angie Baca, Veronica Ortiz, Ricardo Sanchez

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Veronica Ortiz read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

- a) IGA-PED/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that the grant was approved. And a copy of the letter was given to Ohkay Owingeh and Santa Clara via Email.
- b) Tribal Education Status Report/ Rebecca Moore would like to start the process of the need's assessment. Ricardo Sanchez stated that he would talk with the students and get their input. Ricardo Sanchez also stated that Ohkay Owingeh and Santa Clara would like to have their own sessions with Rebecca Moore. There would be dates and times set up with the community as well as the council. Aileen Lopez stated that it would be better to get the Educational Board's opinion first before it goes to Tribal Council. Ricardo Sanchez stated that the involvement of the community would need to have some sort of community event. Jessica Wright stated that during November her school would be doing Roc your Moccasins at San Juan Elementary on November 15th and for the Ohkay Owingeh community that would be a great time to discuss the needs assessment.

V. New business

- a) Ricardo Sanchez stated that with Angie Baca and Lisa Lopez now on the committee there can be a quorum. Ricardo Sanchez asked Angie Baca if she would like to be the president of the IEC Committee. Ricardo Sanchez also

asked the other committee members if this was something they would agree upon. All the members stated that yes, they agreed to it and had no objections to Angie Baca being the president. Angie Baca asked what her duties would be being the president. Ricardo Sanchez told her that she would only be responsible for conducting the meetings with the help of him. Angie Baca told Ricardo Sanchez that she would think about it.

- b) Budget/ Gina Chavarria and Aileen Lopez asked Ricardo Sanchez to get them a copy of the budget.
- c) MOU Update/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that he had dropped off a copy of the MOU to Aileen Lopez
- d) Letter from Governors/Ricardo Sanchez asked about the letter from the Governors. Ricardo Sanchez stated he would just like an update.
- e) Fall and Spring dates/ Ricardo Sanchez asked if there were any dates that were a potential. Aileen Lopez stated that it would be November or December and July for the spring.
- f) Roberto Salazar/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that he would like the artist Roberto Salazar to do a mural for the high school classroom. Gina Chavarria asked why would he be the one doing the mural when it would be good to have the students do the mural.
- g) Community Events/Calendars/ Ricardo Sanchez asked both Aileen Lopez and Gina Chavarria to get him a copy of their calendars so that way he knew what dates there are any special ceremonies that some of the students need to be given and excuse to participate. Academic Data/Ricardo Sanchez stated that if there is any academic data that is needed to please call or email him and he will get it out to those needing the data.
- h) College night at NMHU/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that there is a good opportunity for the senior students to attend a visit with NMHU collage. It is a 2-night event but the first night would be only for adults and the 2nd day would be for students so that they can tour the collage then they can talk with different people of about the different programs provided to them. Gina Chavarria asked why it would only the seniors be allowed to attend and not extend it to the juniors as well. Ricardo Sanchez stated that he will extend the invitation to those students.
- i) Bilingual Seal/Ricardo Sanchez stated that he was working with Fanny Castillo to get the seal finalized. Ricardo Sanchez asked Aileen Lopez if the

council wanted a final say about the seal. Ricardo Sanchez then asked Jessica Wright if she was in agreement with having the council have the final say for the bilingual seal. Jessica Wright stated she didn't agree the council having the final say being that some of the council did not speak the language. Ricardo Sanchez stated that the only reason he was looking towards the tribal council was that he wanted the tribal backing and support for the native American students seeking the tribal seal. Aileen Lopez stated that the council would back up what the teacher's discretion as far as the finalization of the seal because the teacher knows the student better. Aileen Lopez stated that she did send Ricardo Sanchez a copy of what Ohkay Owingeh tribal was working on as far as the seal process. Ricardo Sanchez then stated that he would have to get with Fanny Castillo and see what guidelines they would need to take that way it can be certified through PED. Ricardo Sanchez also stated that Santa Clara would need to do the same as far as the seal is concerned.

- j) Tim Tingle/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that he would like to get Tim Tingle to come in and do a demonstration for all the Native American students. Jessica Wright asked if he would be doing the speaking to the all Native American students at one time or would he be going to the individual schools. Ricardo Sanchez stated that it might be better to have it site based.
- k) IGA/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that threw the IGA he would like to get a teacher from Santa Clara to serve the James H. Rodriguez students due to the population is more Santa Clara at that school.
- l) Tutors/ Ricardo Sanchez stated that he would like to go and talk with the Northern Collage an see if there were any English and Math majors that can tutor for some of the students at the high school. Ricardo Sanchez stated that he would like Native American tutor preference, an he would pay them for there services through Indian Education funds.
- m) Meeting with Landen Knaggs Senior EVHS Counselor/ Ricardo Sanchez meet with the senior counselor to talk about the status of the Native American students and see what they need to graduate. Ricardo Sanchez went through the list of the 16 senior students. Ricardo Sanchez did state that some of the students need to pay for credit recovery and would be willing to pay. Gina Chavarria stated that Ricardo would need to do a contract with the students if they didn't comply with the requirements. Aileen Lopez stated that she would like to meet with the Ohkay Owingeh senior students and Ricardo Sanchez so they can get their students on track.

VI. Adjournment

Ricardo Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Minutes submitted by: Veronica Ortiz

Minutes approved by: Ricardo Sanchez