

# MINUTES

## Oregon Indian Education Association General Board Meeting

**In Attendance: Joseph Revay, Se-ah-dom Edmo, Christine Bruno, Ruth Jensen, Art Mc Conville, Tom Ball, Nick SixKiller, Allen Merrill, Steve Woodcock, Juliana Marez, Marge Wise, Delphine Jackson, Ev Evans, Az Carmen Wren Christopher, Brent Florendo, Rhonda Myers, Jerry Roseik**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
Welcome, Prayer, and Introductions	Alison Ball called the meeting to order. Art Mc Conville offered the prayer. Agenda was revised to include Tom Ball's discussion of Bridge of the Gods Academy. Ruth Jensen was also added to agenda for discussion of Federal reporting race and ethnicity in Title programs.	
Teaching Program	Posters were handed out and Alison	
Roll Call		
Review of Minutes	Az Carmen read the minutes.	Christine Bruno moved accepting Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> meeting Se-ah-dom seconded. Minutes approved with corrections, by majority with Ruth Jensen abstaining due to her excused absence at the meeting.
Treasurers Report	Report to be delayed	
Executive Board	Lemuel Charley will be working on website and awardees will be listed with pictures to	Delphine will forward awardees

Report	<p>celebrate the student's success. Pictures were requested for website and historical needs of OIEA</p>	<p>names to Alison or to Se-ah-dom. Se-ah-dom volunteered to help out with website</p>
	<p>Brochure will be undertaken by Az. Please send her info and pictures.</p> <p>Membership drive needs to be rethought. All officers will be on Membership Committee, Alison is communications, Chris Bailey is working with Awards Committee, Se-ah-dom will be doing membership.</p> <p>Conference fees may need to be adjusted to better cover charges for students. People can sponsor a student's membership fees.</p> <p>Reason for officers of OIEA to serve as committee chairs is to maintain historical knowledge of workings of OIEA</p> <p>Strategic Plan will be worked on in Executive Board Meetings.</p> <p>Steve Woodcock volunteered his office opportunities for technical opportunities for meetings.</p>	<p>Brochure to be designed by someone Az knows.</p> <p>Delphine Jackson will forward info regarding awards info to Chris Bailey</p>
OIEA Conference Update	<p>Make sure and get Conference at a Glance.</p> <p>Alison explained the exciting educational experience for attendees. Excellent speakers. A competition for poster design has begun.</p> <p>Judy Wiley would like to speak about Special Education either pre or post conference.</p> <p>Marge Wise explained that the Conference will be held upstairs in the EMU student center. Dorm space at UO for 35 people but</p>	<p>Conference At A Glance will be sent to everyone on listserve in a week. It will also be listed on the website.</p>

an estimated cost has yet to be determined. No food will be provided in dorms.

Meeting spaces for vendors and meetings will be held on the second floor. Meals will not all be catered. Banquet will be catered but many meals will be self hosted (meaning the conference will not be hosting.)

Se-ah-dom suggested more outcome based process at conference to go toward Strategic Plan process. This could be included in the Call for Presentations. Alison emphasized the need to refocus on objectives and outcomes for Strategic Plan. Discussion followed how to charge attendees when the conference is underwritten by a specific group. This is a struggle and policy should be enacted to cover increases for membership fees. June 21-23<sup>rd</sup> 2010 is conference date.

Speakers, pre-conference speakers suggested would be Sandra Brown and others.

Ambassador Program will be involved with the hospitality end. Ruth is excited about how to expand the program. The ambassadors are a valuable group who can assist in the conference in many needed areas.

By encouraging universities to become involved with networking with Indian Tribes valuable research opportunities will benefit Tribal Communities.

IWOK conference had Bob Miller (Lewis and Clark Law professor who has written a book on this issue) present on Treaty Education Foundation Rights might be a consideration for conference speaker. Treaties are supreme law of the land even

	<p>before constitution.</p> <p>Conference site and scheduling out for a few years was discussed. Next site may be PSU and then COCC? Ruth will check on COCC and send info to Alison.</p>	
<p>Youth Conference</p>	<p>Teddy has set conference at Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort &amp; Casino, rooms available at \$59.00. April 2, 2010 is deadline date. They are looking for a theme. Send suggestions to Urbana Ross or Teddy. NARA wants to assist with the process for Youth Conference. They have a full staff for outreach and can assist with the OIEA Youth Conference. Robin Butterfield's sister is now the one to contact at NARA.</p> <p>Ruth was asked to create a Save The Date card for Youth Conference.</p>	<p>Ruth to create Save the Date postcard</p>
<p>Special Education Report</p>	<p>Christine Bruno gave out save the date cards for a Family Gathering at PSU Native American Center for families with special needs. Networking opportunity for family to family experience. Free event with includes lite breakfast and lunch, as well as, child care. Lots of fun! Family pictures too. Volunteers needed.</p> <p>All IEPs are required to be reviewed annually. If a student is struggling they can ask for another meeting and ask for an Advocate to assist them. Christine will be available and has a broad network of folks who she can network with to assist in this process..</p> <p>Alison asked about a newsletter for this</p>	

	<p>information. Ruth was asked to work with Alison to create a newsletter.</p> <p>Steve Woodcock mentioned trainings statewide for families but Christine mentioned that Native Families often don't make use of them. She will coordinate with Steve and OTI to encourage Indian families to attend.</p> <p>Nick SixKiller asked about IEP meetings and wanted to know law regarding him acting as a student advocate in IEP meetings. Christine explained rights of families to non-related families. Prior notice may need to be given if advocate will attend. IEP Partner Training available through Oregon Parent Training and Information Center-located in Salem. Most school districts will respect this certification and allow him to attend without argument. Alison suggested that this might be a good idea for a break out session at OIEA Conference. Judy Wiley has all chapter information throughout US.</p>	
<p>Invited Speakers</p>	<p>Rhonda Myers, from UO College of Education, gave background of Native American student teaching placements. Discussion of partnering opportunities.</p> <p>Jerry Roseik spoke about the dramatic changes at the UO College of Education in regard to the teaching program and students of color. New people have been hired who are Native American. A full professor has been hired Dr. Mike Pavell, Sokomish, from Washington State University, he is the most senior professor at the COE. Other departments are now being involved with Native American students for undergraduate programs. Shared major with Ethnic Studies</p>	

	<p>Program for undergraduate programs. NILI is cooperating with COE for a shared degree program for a Master's program. Discussion of programs inception took place with Native American input to correct the story.</p> <p>Talking Circle may need to be done to honor those who began the process for healing. This might be done at OIEA for an attempt at healing. History often needs to be recreated with all parties involved in the story of what happened.</p> <p>Making peace with the consequences of problems is not always easy and can do much to solve problems in the future.</p> <p>Might want to forward this info to OCIPSE as a means of resolving conflict in higher education and Indian people.</p> <p>Tom Ball, spoke on the Bridge of the Gods Summer Academy. Sophomore, juniors, and seniors. June 21-30<sup>th</sup> 2010. Not held last year due to lack of funds. 20 high school Native students who will stay in a dorm and take classes to receive college credit. Students will be working with Hatfield Institute with hands on science instruction and at Lane Community College. James Florendo has the applications for program. James and Tom want to collaborate with OIEA for this year's conference to allow students the opportunity to attend some of the conference.</p>	
<p>IWOK Program at Lewis and Clark College</p>	<p>Se-Ah-Dom Edmo gave an inspirational power point regarding IWOK Tribal Educator Program Grant submission to Department of Education, Indian Education, Professional</p>	

	<p>Technical grant. She requested a Letter of Support for this project from various agencies. Allen Merrell moved that OIEA support this effort, Wren Christopher seconded it. Vote was taken and passed by full consensus to write a Letter of Support before Feb. 25, 2010</p>	
<p>Federal Reporting Race and Ethnicity</p>	<p>Ruth Jensen explained that all those who claim Hispanic or Latino as yes, even if s/he is a Native person will not be listed as Native American but as Hispanic or Latino. Over and undercounts will occur.</p> <p>Discussion: Tom Ball mentioned the format of this program flies in the face of how Oregon Tribes identify “what a Native American is...”. Tom Ball made a motion that OIEA write a letter that the this regulation , seconded by Ruth Jensen. Tom rescinded the letter motion and moved that a Resolution be drawn up disagreeing with the law and Ruth Jensen seconded. Letter needs to be drafted immediately for ATNI and G2G meeting. Electronic vote on resolution will expedite the process to meet upcoming short deadlines.</p>	
<p>Department of Education, State of Oregon</p>	<p>Steve Woodcock reported out on Indian Education Draft on Social Sciences Standards Development Plan for Oregon Department of Education. He will forward information from tribes to include in the process draft. OIEA should make recommendations to this process. Steve will send out information to G2G and to Dept of Education. First recommendation would be</p>	

<p>OCIPSE Report</p>	<p>that Indian people be involved at government level and Regional Learning Project, from University of Montana, DVD list was submitted and Steve asked for input. Attendees agreed that Oregon needs to put together something like this. The OIEA Education committee will be involved with this in partnership with Steve Woodcock.</p> <p>Alison mentioned that Tribal Consultation has to take place for this to happen and that legislation needs to take place to make laws that would ensure that integrated curriculum should be on the books.</p> <p>OIEA Education Committee will work to get together excellent examples of Oregon Native curriculum currently being used by Oregon Tribes in Tribal schools. Will then give a report to Steve Woodcock for Oregon Department of Education.</p> <p>OCIPSE- Se-ah-dom reported out that OCIPSE will be working with G2G for Campus Climate project for Native students. Gap created by technology access for Indian students is creating difficulties for Indian students.</p> <p>OCIPSE may be the place for healing of old hurts and frustrations. Alison asked Se-ah-dom bring it up at the next OCIPSE meeting.</p> <p>Next OIEA meeting March 19<sup>th</sup>, tentatively in Astoria.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 2:30.p.m.</p>	
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