



81st Annual Tribal Assembly

Chief Operating Officer's Report



Greetings

- ☞ *Xaada'a 'la'a isis* (Good people)
- ☞ *Dii' uu xaata'a'agang* (I am Haida)
- ☞ *Ga qu'udaas uu dii k'wa'alaagang*
(I belong to the Eagle clan)
- ☞ *S'ak'saani hi'n uu di'l kya'a'ang*
(My name is *S'ak'saani*)



Introduction

- ☞ Haida Name: *S'ak'saani*
- ☞ Tlingit Name: *Daanna' Shawa'at*
(Money Woman)
- ☞ Haida Clan: Eagle/Frog/Sculpin
- ☞ Tlingit Clan: Raven/Coho



Presentation Contents

- ✪ Ramah Settlement
- ✪ 2015 BIA Compact
- ✪ 2015 Accomplishments
- ✪ George Family Lease
- ✪ Cost Saving Initiatives
- ✪ 2016 Events
- ✪ 2016 Initiatives
- ✪ Andrew Hope Building Renovations
- ✪ New Management

Ramah Settlement

- ☞ Central Council's estimated share of the Ramah settlement is approximately \$11 million.
- ☞ The settled claims are for underpayments of contract support costs by the BIA/OSG from 1994 to 2013.
- ☞ Congress capped BIA's appropriations used to pay contract support.

Summary of Settlement

- ✪ The class consists of Indian tribes and organizations that entered into contracts with the BIA or OSG under ISDEA between 1994 to 2013.
- ✪ Tribes released all claims for underpayment of contract support, both direct and indirect for 1994 to 2013.
- ✪ Parties agreed to a statistical and accounting analysis.

Summary of Settlement (Cont.)

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- ✈ Each class member's share is determined by:
- Amount of contract support costs that should have been paid (rate * direct).
 - Amount of contract support costs paid.
 - Data collected from the sample.
(Central Council participated in the sample)

Use of Settlement

- ☞ Central Council will deposit the settlement into the Trust Fund.
- ☞ The Trust Fund paid for indirect shortfall in years past.
- ☞ The estimated settlement is included in the audit in the General Fund revenue and as a receivable.

2015 BIA Compact

- 🦅 2015 Direct Expenditures: \$7,958,142.
- 🦅 Oversight transferred to Tribal Operations department.
- 🦅 DIA no longer a part of the Compact.
- 🦅 Additional funding to obtain baseline water quality data for the Taku, Stikine, & Unuk transboundary rivers.

2015 Accomplishments

- ✪ Leased 20 acres from the George family on Douglas Island for economic development.
- ✪ Completed renovations to the 3rd floor of the Andrew Hope Building (Hope Building).
- ✪ Replaced sprinkler system at the Hope Building.
- ✪ Refinanced Hope Building loan to include the 3rd floor and exterior renovations.

George Family Lease

- ✎ Signed 25-year lease with BIA on behalf of George family for 20 acres on Douglas Island with option to extend 25 more years.
 - Central Council may surrender all or part after fifth year.
- ✎ Proposed use for governmental/administration, programs & services, cultural heritage, and economic development:
 - Native-style lodge with a restaurant & gift shop, bingo, dining, and entertainment that includes cultural performances & music.

Cost Savings Initiatives

- ✚ Reduced annual and sick leave accrual. Annual Savings: \$112,911
- ✚ Reduced health benefit costs by switching to the Federal Employee Health Benefit plan. Annual Savings: \$141,180
- ✚ Reduced annual copy machine costs using GSA rates. Estimated Annual Savings: \$159,860
- ✚ **Total Annual Savings: \$413,951**

2016 Events

- ✪ Purchased remaining lease on Carmag Building to settle dispute.
 - Head Start Administration: 2nd Floor
 - Head Start Centers: 1st Floor
- ✪ DIA lawsuit dismissed by Alaska Superior Court.
- ✪ Received notice that DIA filed an appeal.

2016 Initiatives

- ✪ Install energy efficient lighting and complete exterior work to the Hope Building.
- ✪ Remodel Carmag Building for Head Start.
- ✪ Sell Douglas Head Start property.
- ✪ Acquire Kunz property for parking lot.
- ✪ Complete demolition of old Tribal Court Building.



Andrew Hope Building Exterior Renovations



New Management

- William Martin, 477 Director
- Debra O'Gara, Presiding Judge
- Jessie Archibald, Tribal Child Support Manager
- Myrna Gardner, Business & Economic Development Manager
- Eddie Brakes, TANF Manager

Welcome Malia Ann Medina!





**Thank you for the opportunity
to serve you this last year!**

Háw'aa, Gunalchéesh

