



Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
November 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 3:07 PM.

Richard Peterson	President	Present
Will Micklin	1 st Vice President	Present
Rob Sanderson Jr.	2 nd Vice President	Present
Lowell Halverson	3 rd Vice President	Present
Jolene Edenshaw	4 th Vice President	Present
Marvin Adams	5 th Vice President	Present
Jacqueline Pata	6 th Vice President	Present
Brandon Mayer	Youth Representative	Not Present

Also present were:

Melissa Kookesh, Recording Secretary
Tana Bell, Secretary to the President
Renee Royal, Administrative Assistant
Corrine Garza, Chief Operating Officer
Theresa Belton, Chief Financial Officer
Barbara Blake, Governmental Affairs Liaison

INVOCATION

2nd VP Robert Sanderson provided the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Robert Sanderson / Will Micklin to adopt the agenda as presented. C/U

REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Peterson provided his report to the Executive Council. He recapped on the General Elections and where we are currently standing. Tlingit and Haida Central Council worked very hard on Get Out the Native Vote Campaign.

My Brother's Keeper for the White House Initiative will be hosting its first event on Friday, November 7, 2014. We are anxious to see where this will take us. We are using Juneau as the pilot project and will be hoping to have this in the outlying communities. Our very own

Youth Representative will be the keynote speaker for the event. First Kids First program will be the next big kick-off event.

Alaska Federation of Natives was a very big successful event. We were divided as a region on the support of the co-chair, but our regional leadership came out united. Tribal Leaders Conference – thank you to Tlingit and Haida Central Council for taking the leadership and the leaders would like to make this become a permanent portion for Alaska Federation of Natives. He further thanked the Executive Council and staff for their attendance at the T&H Dinner and he would like to seek others to co-sponsor the event for the future.

President Peterson shared with the Executive Council that he will be on sick leave for a week and is hopeful it will only be during that time.

Chief Operating Officer's Report

The Chief Operating Officer (COO) provided her written report to the Executive Council. The COO spoke to the Trust Fund and we have recouped our losses. She spoke to the new hires in the client services department. The renovations have started, but the contractors have discovered issues with the water sprinkler system and it has to be replaced. DOJ Grant Award for the Second Chance Program for three years. There have been some changes to the compact and we will be letting go of the Self Governance department. The COO, BEDD Director and Finance Department will be overseeing the duties. DIAs general assistance will be turned over to Employment and Training.

Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer provided her report to the Executive Council. The CFO increased the budget for Tribal Direct – she increased the budget to be reflective of what we actually gave to the THTBC. The CFO will be participating in a Gasby Report. The CFO covered the narrative report, summary report, general fund summary, compact programs summary, state programs summary, federal programs summary, foundation programs summary, roads programs summary, VTRC Enterprise Report, EPH Report, THTBC Report, Tribal Direct, Tribal Direct Breakdown, Shortfall Summary, Balance Sheet Report are reflective of the segment (redid the description of the account names), Variance Report and the Executive Council Donation Report. Student Accident policy which covers students who we send out or bring in for trainings. However, they are asking for the tribe to waive their sovereign immunity and she has spoke to our attorney and we have to make a a decisions. The COO has requested that the attorney prepare a limited waiver to go before the Executive Council for approval.

ACTION ITEM – review the documents and propose a l

M/S Will Micklin / Robert Sanderson move that we move forward with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the insurance for the VTRC and Head Start students. M/C

Tribal Assembly Planning

Tribal Assembly planning will be taking place shortly through our office. The President has been thinking about ways to reduce the costs of Tribal Assembly by cutting reports of Sealaska, SEARHC, THRHA, and IPEC. He would like to shorten it by one day on the end and by reducing the amount of dinners and have one final dinner at the end of the Tribal

Assembly. He also proposed one chaplain. VP Edenshaw proposed these agencies host a reception where they are offering their availability to host a reception available for questions.

Special Events

My Brother's Keeper – November 7, 2014

Native American Dinner – HB 216 Language Bill & Dr. Walter Soboleff Day – Nov. 20

Executive Council Meeting – December 14-15

Strategic Planning – December 16-17

Executive Council Committee Assignments / Travel Budget

VP Sanderson provided a report on the subject.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chair declared there was no reason for an Executive Council session.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Will – wish you well Mr. President

Rob – wishing the President and VP Edenshaw well during their battles.

Jolene – thank you to the Office of the President staff for the beautiful flowers and have the President on a prayer chain.

Marvin – commend the Executive Council for the leadership for standing up during Alaska Federation of Natives.

Lowell – thank everyone for the excellent gathering of leadership. We did a lot of good for many people in the SE area.

Barbara – we will be praying for you in full force. Haw'aa to Brandon for his leadership shown during National Congress of American Indians.

Corrine – thanks to everyone for voting.

Melissa – thanks for coming aboard

Renee – thank you and she looks forward to working here.

President Peterson – he has made a choice to be healthy. He is planning to get back on track to be healthy. He wakes up every day and is thankful for the job he as and he has done. He is thankful for Tana and all the work she has done in the one woman show. Thanks to Melissa who has returned from Stanford and it seems to have been transforming. Keenan will be representing the tribe at the white house tribal leaders conference.

Jackie – make sure the hotel reservations are made at the Capital Hilton – Monday starting at 1:00 pm.

ADJOURN

The Chair ruled the meeting adjourned at 4:36 PM. No objection, so ordered.