

Tribal Nations Education Committee (TNEC)
Minutes – Open Meeting
February 16, 2023~Open/Public Meeting10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Zoom Host: White Earth

PARTICIPANTS: Jennifer Murray – Fond du Lac (TNEC Chair)
Dana Goodwin Williams – White Earth
Jackie Probst – Lower Sioux
Laurie Harper – Leech Lake
Leanne Hoffman-Bois Fort
Paul Dessen-Prairie Island
Note-Billie Annette and Maria Burnett excused.

MDE:

Anjanette Parisien, OIE Indigenous Specialist
Sam Zimmerman, OIE Indigenous Specialist
Kimberly Brendan, OIE Administrative Support
Graham Hartley, Student Access and Opportunity
Stephanie Graff, Assistant Commissioner (is now Chief of Staff)

- I. Jennifer called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.
- II. Jackie motioned to approve the agenda. Second by Leanne. Motion passed.
- III. Presenters:
 - a. Jeff Plaman, MDE Online and Digital Learning Specialist. Note: Eric Billiet will also join.
 - Update on a proposal shared with TNEC in May 2021 (it was not adopted by legislature – bringing it back again.) It would provide opportunity for students from BIE contract and grant schools to take supplemental online courses from public schools; generate revenue when taking supplemental online courses from public schools.
 - b. Alina Campana, MDE Arts Specialist.
 - Requesting feedback and input on draft artist list for the Native Arts Resources project and provide an update on next steps with artists and a timeline connected with availability of funds. It is recommended that Alina work individually with each Tribal Nation for artist approval/support for the Artist Resource Project.

- c. Michael Diedrich, MDE ESEA Policy Specialist and Gayra Ostgaard, Data Management & Student Accounting Supervisor, Brock Bowman, MNIT.
 - Presentation to preview and discuss the use of the state definition of American Indian in upcoming enrollment and graduation reporting. They will meet with us in April for more details and updates.
 - d. Anjanette Parisien and Sam Zimmerman, MDE OIE Indigenous Specialists.
 - Updates. Discussion on JPAs, the Summer Institute for educators, Darlene St Clair and MITTP for St Cloud. Anjanette and Sam discussed World Language group and MIAC. Please see their report.
 - e. 12:05 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. (break)
 - f. MDE OIE Director Dr. Jane Harstad.
 - OIE updates. Excused
 - g. Commissioner Dennis Olson
 - OHE updates. Tribal Colleges continuing to receive 3million, requesting a Tribal Liaison for OHE, and MN American Indian Scholars Program. Commissioner Olson will keep us updated on how we can help support OHE legislative proposals he will send report with details.
 - h. Dawn Cameron, MDE Supervisor, MCA and MTAS Test Development/Academic Standards, Instruction and Assessment.
 - Request for interested TNEC members to be part of committee developing the Mathematics Test Specifications for MCA and MTAS statewide assessments.
 - Provide updates for summer Educator and Community Review Committees for planning purposes and to discuss the best way to incorporate TNEC input on these MCA/MTAS statewide assessment committees. Dawn will send TNEC committees and schedules.
 - i. Shannon Geshick, MIAC Executive Director.
 - Unable to attend due to legislative session and MIAC testimony.
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjournment-TNEC quorum ended at 12:05pm. The meeting continued for presenters. No business was conducted after 12:05pm.