May 12, 2015 O.L.I.C. Meeting Minutes

Members present: Faron Jackson, Orville Johnson, Theresa Jordan, Teresa Gunter, Kianna Thompson, Maggi Jordan, Priscilla Smith

Others present: Halli Seville, Avis Poupart, Bill Butcher, Robin Jordan, Dolly Bowstring, Levi Brown, Emma Jennings

Quorum present. Meeting called to order at 6:39. Chairman appoints Kianna Thompson as student rep.

Agenda change: June 5 will be dedication of Leo Jordan to the pier at marina. Priscilla Smith makes motion to approve agenda, Maggi Jordan seconds, all in favor, 6-0, motion carries.

Teresa Gunter makes motion to accept April minutes, Orville seconds, all in favor, 6-0, motion carries.

Orville J., Faron J., and Teresa Gunter went to meeting about our community center. We were allocated $1 million, $800,000 to S Lake, and $500,000 to special projects for Inger, Winnie Dam, Ball Club. Let community know we will have a small center. We would need $2 million to get a center the size of Bena’s center. We could raise money on our own and Carrie Jones didn’t object and said she would help. Discussion on forming a rally to show we aren’t happy with decision of small center. Discussion on possible grants through Blandin Foundation, McKnight, and Grotto at possibly $50,000 each.

We could call for another meeting in a couple weeks and invite the RTC, Mark Olson, Bill Butcher, Matt Hunt.

Bill Butcher suggests a dance at Bena Center and invite all the youth on the reservation, have a DJ in support of youth to get a big gym in Onigum. We can be the vehicle for the voices of our youth.

Guest Speakers: Levi Brown brought two maps for committee and community to look at. He brought a letter which was signed by his boss and wants the O.L.I.C. Chair sign in concurrence and Levi will take it to the Chippewa National Forest office.

Halli Seville-serving LL since September. She informed us on the materials to be used in our community garden. June 6th is the day planned to work on garden.

Announcements: May 27th from noon to 1:30 will be a cook off of traditional foods, Fish and Maple Syrup.

Special Meeting in a couple weeks May 27th at 6 pm. for L.I.C. and community members about new center.
Bill Butcher announces there are 4 families without housing in our area.

New Elder Advocate Eva Wilson, invite her to next meeting.

Leech Lake Legacy is holding a spay and neutering clinic on May 30th 8-5 in Cass Lake. They are looking for volunteers.

Teresa makes motion to adjourn, Orville seconds, all in favor, 4-0, motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 8:30.