Leech Lake Twin Cities Local Indian Council

Call to Order by Chair Richard White at 6:08pm

The regular monthly meeting of the Twin Cities Leech Lake Local Indian Council was held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 6:08 pm at the Minnesota Indian Women’s Resource Center. The Chair, Richard White and Vice Chair, Carrie Day-Aspinwall were present along with members; Joe Regguinti, Christine Roy and Laurie Paquette-Jackson in attendance. No minutes from the February 12, 2014 meeting or February 25, 2014 meeting have been made available. Secretary, Laurie Harper, excused. Shannon Edberg, excused and Youth Representative, Judy Brunner, excused.

Arlund Wakefield provided the invocation.

The Primary election will be held at the Minneapolis American Indian Center on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 from 8:00 am-8:00 pm. Folks were encouraged to bring their picture ID along with them to vote. Election judges were selected previously. They are as follows: Ray "Chaz Brown, Jean Howard, Diane Sanders, Terry Blood and Arlund Wakefield. It was suggested that we have alternatives for on the side should someone not be able to make it in on that day. Discussion was made regarding securing site and rental fee. Jean Howard stated she would secure the site and work with Carrie Day-Aspinwall to secure the fee. Some discussion was made that in years past that the LIC selected their own board and coordinated their own candidates’ forum. We need to add the process to our operational manual.

Carrie reported that she has been working with Nancy Stevens to see what our financial balances are. She stated we had three special meetings. They were November 2013, December 2013 and February 2014. She reported that some of our line items will fall short if we don’t do a budget revision and we also need to spend the budget or we will lose it. She presented a draft for budget revision. She stated we need to decrease some of the line items to keep us balanced thru the end of June so we can get our fiscals in order. Motion to submit budget revision by Lori Paquette, seconded by Joe Regguinti to submit budget revision, all in favor, motion carried.

Carrie Day-Aspinwall stated that she was contacted by leadership up north to write a position statement regarding the LIC Summits held up north. Carrie stated everyone but Christine Roy has been to a by-law meeting/bylaw summit. Curtis Buckanaga gave an update on the by-law revision and why it is necessary. This local Indian Council requested copies of the by-law revision from Curtis Buckanaga. Curtis was handed e-mail addresses and was asked to forward copies of the revised document. Carrie Day offered to post it on the MUID list serve.

There was an introduction of ICWA staff, Allison Christopherson, Pam Wollersheim, case manager and Paul Minehart, Tribal attorney. In the past LIC received monthly updates from the Indian Child Welfare office and we plan to receive monthly updates again. A question was asked as to who the urban ICWA representative is. Richard shared that he was not sure.

A motion was made by Joe Regguinti to adjourn. Lori Paquette-Jackson seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.
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Agenda – Regular Meeting
Tuesday, MONTH DATE YEAR
6 p.m.- 8 p.m.

I. Invocation

II. Call to Order

III. Changes to Agenda

IV. Reading and Acceptance of minutes of last meeting

V. Chair Report

VI. Secretary/Treasurer Report

VII. Unfinished Business

VIII. New Business
    a. Guest Presentations

IX. Announcements

X. Adjournment

A. Next Meeting Date:
B. Time:
C. Place: