

Sisseton Wahpeton College
Board of Trustees Minutes
3/9/2021

Meeting called to order at 5:07 PM.

Roll Call:

Big Coulee	Lynn Halbert	Present
Buffalo Lake	Lorraine Rousseau	Present
Enemy Swim	Janell Williams	Present
Lake Traverse	William LaRoque	Present
Long Hollow	Tom Wilson	Present
Old Agency	Kay Bursheim	Present
Veblen/Heipa	Michelle Wanna	Present
Tribal Council Ex. Officio	Curtis Bissonette	Present

Others Present: President Dr. Lane Azure & Presidents Assistant Lauren E. Owen

Meeting called to order by Chairman William LaRoque.

Prayer given by Lorraine Rousseau

Mission Statement read in unison.

Motion 1: Motion made by Buffalo Lake to accept the new Enemy Swim District Board Member, Janell Williams. Second by Big Coulee. Question by Veblen. All in favor.

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Motion 2: Motion made by Big Coulee to accept the new Long Hollow District Board Member, Tom Wilson. Second by Buffalo Lake. Question by Old Agency. All in favor.

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Motion 3: Motion made by Buffalo Lake to approve the agenda. Second by Old Agency. Question by Veblen. All in favor.

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Discussion: Comptroller report.

Discussion: Status of online classes and students.

Discussion: Ex. Officio informed the President and the board about combining “all” educational entities through the tribe in obtaining funds from Washington. The Tribal school is discussion building a new school. President reminded ex. Officio and the board that the college is to remain autonomous of the tribe (Accreditation/charter).

Discussion: Dean of Academics report. Frank and Robert are evaluating programs and the Dakota Studies Department has completed updated new modules that are more topic based.

Discussion: NACTEP grant and its purpose (voc ed programs).

Discussion: Student Services recruitment process. Board is requesting that the recruitment office start holding workshops in the high schools in regards to applying for scholarships and financial aid.

Discussion: Land donation board met last night and was restructured. They provided the articles of incorporation but will need to obtain the bylaws.

Action Item: Tabled the board election process. The bylaws need to be read.

Motion 4: Motion made by Buffalo Lake to approve the 2/9/2021 Minutes. Second by Old Agency. Question by Big Coulee. All in favor.

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Motion 5: Motion made by Long Hollow to approve the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar. Second by Veblen. Question by Big Coulee. All in favor.

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Motion 6: Motion made by Buffalo Lake to put the bylaws on next weeks agenda. Second by Old Agency. Question by Big Coulee. All in favor.

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Motion 7: Motion made by Big Coulee to adjourn. Second by Old Agency. All in favor.

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Next meeting set for April 13th, 2021 at 5:00 PM located at the Log Cabin.
Meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM.