



Wisconsin Indian Education Association ~ N 5448 Broder Rd ~ Shawano ~ WI 54166

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**November 18, 2016**  
**North Star Mohican Casino Resort**  
**Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation, WI**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Call to Order: 9:12 am**

**Roll Call:**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Board Member: Term Expires 2017</b>	<b>Board Member: Term Expires 2018</b>
<b>Northwest</b>	✓ Krystle Topping - Phone	✓ Brian Jackson
<b>Southeast</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Celeste Clark	✓ Amy Tromp
<b>Central</b>	✓ Jolene Bowman	✓ Christine Munson
<b>Northeast</b>	✓ Susan Crazy Thunder - Phone	<input type="checkbox"/> Doreen Wawronowicz - Phone
<b>West</b>	✓ Barbara Blackdeer-MacKenzie - Phone	✓ Shannon Mason Young - Phone
<b>South</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Aaron Bird Bear	✓ Rebecca Comfort
<b>East</b>	✓ Shannon Chapman	✓ Virginia Nuske

<b>Region</b>	<b>Alternate Board Member: Term Expires 2017</b>
<b>Northwest</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> William White ✓ Katrina Werchonski <input type="checkbox"/> Elle Abeles-Allison
<b>Southeast</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sommer Drake
<b>Central</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Barb Munson <input type="checkbox"/> Roberta Moege-Carrington <input type="checkbox"/> Jayson Jackson <input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Gokee
<b>Northeast</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Dustin Mitchell <input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Valliere <input type="checkbox"/> Clinton Isham <input type="checkbox"/> Ashley Maki
<b>West</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tara Tindall <input type="checkbox"/> Adrienne Thunder



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<b>South</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tim Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Jan Saiz
<b>East</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> JP Leary <input type="checkbox"/> Lisa Corn <input type="checkbox"/> JoAnn Ninham <input type="checkbox"/> Roger Wescott

**Excused:** Celeste Clark,

**Guests:** David O'Connor

**Welcome:** Doug Huck, Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Vice-President

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda: Chris Munson

2nd: Rebecca Comfort

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes from October 14, 2016: Virginia Nuske

2nd: Susan Crazy Thunder

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**President's Reports**

Motion to approve the President's report: Chris Munson

2nd: Virginia Nuske

Discussion:

Aniwake Rose is confirmed for 2017 WIEA Conference.

Tribal Relations meeting - November 29th meeting of State-Tribal Relations Committee at the capitol talking points:

ACT 31 - reframe terminology to "Wisconsin American Indian Studies Statutes"

Curriculum

How WIEA can coordinate education efforts to legislators and staff

ACT 31 Celebration in Menominee - any theme?



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### **Treasurer's Report**

Separate document provided

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Jolene Bowman

2nd: Rebecca Comfort

Discussion:

What are protocols for each tribe in processing funding/sponsorship requests? Are there foundations?

Outside WI? Ad-hoc committee lead by Jolene Bowman and Shannon Chapman, possibly Krystle

Topping to get initial information on funding request processes.

- Pass
- Fail
- ✓ Abstentions - Virginia Nuske

### **2017 Conference Update**

No Action

Discussion:

Dates locked in

Thursday, May 11 - ECE Focus with Pam Torres - Specific audience for this portion

Thursday May 11 - LDF Community Expo - Gathering of education exhibits

Thursday May 11 - Board Meeting - LDF Casino

Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13 - WIEA Conference - The Waters

Friday, May 12 - Powwow at Lakeland Union High School

Friday, May 12 - Student created short films; working to get 1491s

Saturday, May 13 - Youth Day: potential ideas - Color Run, Ropes Course with

Manitowish, group personal training event, fundraiser with Dustin and Bronson shoot-out

Saturday, May 13 - Awards Banquet; Sophia Janek

Focus: Wellness and Health Education

Coalitions with area clinics

We are all working together to be healthy together

Logo contest concluded and winner announced

Working with gardening groups

Amy Poupart is updating documents; Bob Kovar distributing to medical facilities

Seed money will be sent by Virginia upon receipt of request; Bank will be Chippewa Valley Bank

Torch Light will sponsor t-shirts up to \$2000

WIEA Board needs to help with Awards process

Brian is connecting with Minnesota ed efforts through White Earth

Keynotes:

Ricky White, White Earth

Justin Kii Huenemann, NB3 Foundation

Ahniwake Rose, NIEA

Jim Bouche, Lakeland Union HS

Registration - go through Event Brite? A college?

### **Public Relations Committee Report**



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No Action

Discussion:

Email sent to board requesting information for bio and a photo. Bio information can be provided via email. Rebecca Comfort will collect information and work with Brandon to add to website.

Website update

Current web site back up; confirmed WIEA will transfer hosting to Torch Light; tentative date will be Friday Nov 25/26/27 to move files

Temporarily view at <http://torchlight.biz/wiea/>

If funding is going to be accepted, will need a security certificate; recommended to go through PayPal.

Need bios and images by Monday, November 28 to Rebecca.

Resources - Chris and Brandon will meet to talk about resources

What needs to be included in registration? Duration, cost breakdown, dietary options, contact information

Need events - make contact with other tribes/Communication depts/Ed directors, Colleges/Universities

**“Indian” Mascot and Logo Taskforce Report**

No Action

Discussion:

Representation at National High School Journalism Convention in Indianapolis, November 10-13. Richie Plass set up Bittersweet Winds on the trade floor and the task force presented.

**Special Education Report**

No Action

Discussion:

[2016 Collaborative Program Support Teacher & Leadership](#), December 5-6 in Stevens Point. See [registration flyer](#) here.

Providing information on Least Restrictive Environment for next WIEA newsletter.

**Strategic Planning Initiatives**

Promote in Newsletter to encourage at-large input for each initiative

**Youth and Students**

Objective: WIEA will investigate the development of a WIEA youth council.

Champion: Rebecca Comfort (rcomfort@wisc.edu)

Metric: In one year, identify a youth council WIEA can use in next year.

*11-18-16 Update*

Rebecca met with Rachel Byington and attended youth meeting in Madison. Students reported a regional youth council could meet to coordinate events - all city Native dance; color run; etc. Rebecca is going to piggy-back on Title VII events. Consider youth poster presentations connected to theme of conference. Long term, interest in partner event with urban/rural exchanges.

*10-14-16 Update*

In process of connecting with Title VII coordinator in Madison to discuss how to recruit students for regional councils.



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**Partnerships and Public Relations**

Objective: Develop strategic plan for communication to include web site, internal and external email, newsletter, and social media.

Champion: Chris Munson (crmunson@gmail.com)

Metric: Measure # of people reached

Survey stakeholders to see what supports and resources they would like to see from WIEA; also determine stakeholder awareness of WIEA. Use "Community Building" into Partnerships and PR. Use 2016 as baseline data

*11-18-16 Update*

Website will launch Dec. 1, 2017

*10-14-16 Update*

Shared overview of Communication Plan from 2015 - will included in notes to board

Recommendation by Krystle Topping to connect with [Chippewa Federation](#)

**Foundations and Growth**

Objective: Review, develop/modify the Mission/Vision/Values statements. (Who are we - what do we do? Consider researching other models)

Champion: Brian Jackson (brian.jackson@ldfschool.org)

Metric: In one year, WIEA will present a mission with vision statement and core values.

*11-1816 Update*

Gates Grant can be used for capacity building and include position

Working with Beth at GLITC for more grant opportunities

*10-14-16 Update*

Potential for Youth Council

**Professional Development**

Objective: Increase non-Indian teacher investment at annual conference.

Champion: Brian Jackson (brian.jackson@ldfschool.org)

Metric: Compare non-Indian teacher presence at WIEA 2017 and WIEA 2016.

*11-18-16 Update*

*10-14-16 Update*

Network with LDF school to align professional development day with WIEA conference

Still working with Lakeland to aid with professional development alignment w/ conference

Promote at Widening the Circle, Feb 10-11, 2017 in La Crosse

Objective: Investigate framework in ACT 31 Curriculum.

Champion: Brian Jackson (brian.jackson@ldfschool.org)

Metric: In one year WIEA will reassess ACT 31 Curriculum in conjunction with Jeff Ryan and Paul Rykken.

*Update 11-18-16*



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*Update 10-14-16*

The Network has released the [Wisconsin American Indian Studies E-course](#) running November 1, 2016 - January 30, 2017. The 3 credit course is being offered through CESA 11 and Viterbo University.

Brian promotes work of Jeff and Paul to local district; created Act 31 Committee at Lakeland High School.

**Community Building**

Merged with Partnerships and PR  
Champion: Chris Munson (crmunson@gmail.com)

**Legislative Breakfast**

Objective: Conduct a SWOT analysis of the legislative breakfast (use strengths and opportunities to bolster weaknesses and threats) with WIEA board between October and November with recommendations for improvements of Legislative Breakfast.

Champion: Chris Munson (crmunson@gmail.com)

Metric: SWOT analysis - present in October; deliver via email; report in November.

*Update 11-18-16*

Joe Strohl recommended a Wednesday in mid-Feb or early March would be best time to host Leg Breakfast. He also noted the Legislative Schedule would be available around Dec. 1st.

Coordinating with Best Western and Concourse for rates.

PM meeting Tue, Feb 28th; Legislative Breakfast on Wed, March 1st

Invitation: Include mini-agenda w/ Guest Speaker and presentation by tribal youth

*Update 10-14-16*

Chris will email board and regional reps requesting input on Legislative Breakfast's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

Considerations - When invitations go out, include information on what to expect - mini agenda - include links to resources

**National Indian Education Association Liaison Report**

No Action

Discussion:

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

LDF Public School Cultural Connections Funding request for \$1500.

Motion to approve the request from Cultural Connections in the amount of : Barbara Blackdeer-



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Mackenzie

2nd: Susan Crazy Thunder

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Motion to continue Chapter Agreement between NIEA and WIEA for cost of \$1000: Virginia NUcke

2nd: Susan Crazy Thunder

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[Woodland Arts Initiative](#)

Kriby Metoxen & Loretta Webster

11th annual Art show and market set for 2017. Theme is Honor the Water. Educational topic for Friday June 30th. Event has grown into a festival format and juried art show. Classes are also being offered; 2 on Sat/2 on Sun for up to 3 hours. There is also a youth component with no fee; Eric Doxtator is leading that initiative.

Established partnership with NATOW and GLIFWC.

Seeking partnership with WIEA, especially to get youth involved and artists from outside Oneida.

Suggested WIA present at WIEA conference for youth track and also to provide information on what it means to be part of a juried show. Suggested WIA send short story to Brandon Thoms for submission to WIEA Newsletter.

Requested to have draft partnership between WIEA and Woodland Indian Art, Inc sent electronically to Brian Jackson for dissemination to full board; consider request at January 2017 meeting.

**Regional Reports**

Region	Information
<b>Northwest</b>	
<b>Southeast</b>	
<b>Central</b>	PoDS is seeking experts for "I have a dream" expedition; names can be directed to Chris Munson. NoDAPL event in Stevens Point on Wed, Nov 16 over I-39; AIRO UWSP students present
<b>Northeast</b>	Powwows in schools; trying to engage Lakeland Union high school
<b>West</b>	Oct 11, Barb Bd-M met with UWEC to talk about historical trauma. Also gave presentation to UWSP Social Work students. Oct 17 presentation to coordinated services conference.
<b>South</b>	



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<b>East</b>	Met on Nov 9th; Start thinking about 2018 conference; planning ACT 31 Celebration. UWO/Roger Wescott - Dec 9th has NoDAPL; April 19 NA Hip-Hop. UWGB -hosted future Phoenix for 5th graders. elder in residence program where students have to meet with elders for at least 4 hours. CMN - 10 opportunity to study in Belize. AICF coming to Menominee community to recruit students and mentor through college application process; scholarship opens Jan 1, 2017. NWTC has Promise program.
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**Next Meeting - November 18, 2016; Stockbridge-Munsee; 9 am**

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 11:50 am: Virginia Nuske

2nd: Amy Tromp

Discussion:

- Pass
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**2016-2017 Meeting Calendar**

2016

December - No Meeting

2017

January 13 - Conference Call

February TBD - Madison - Legislative Breakfast

March 17 - Oneida

April 14 - ICS Milwaukee

May 11 TBD - Minocqua The Waters

May 12-13 - WIEA Annual Conference

June 16 - Wausau NTC