**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**(AUGUST 9 - SEPTEMBER 15, 2022)**

**SEPTEMBER 16, 2022**

**WISCONSIN INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**

**WIEA**

**2022 PRESIDENT’S LOG**

**AUGUST**  ~Continuous efforts in recruiting for the WIEA Board, specifically the Western

Region. It is such an honor and pleasure to welcome Nehomah Thundercloud

from the Ho-Chunk Nation, as she indicated her interest in serving on the WIEA

Board! A special appreciate goes out to Karen (Thayer) Martin in assisting with

the connection of this resource.

~On-going and continuous contact with other WIEA Offices on various issues,

establishing the Agenda, review of the E-News and other activities, prior to

posting

~Development of the draft Request for Proposals for the Public Relations and

Communications for WIEA. The current Contractual Agreement expires on

September 22, 2022

~Information related to activities occurring the weekend of September 16-18 in

Red Cliff. The September WIEA Board meeting is scheduled for September

16th

~Sent out Presidents report from June 21-August 8th including the RFP for

Publications/Communications with a deadline of ***September 8, 2022, at 4:30***

***p.m. Central Standard Time***

~Attendance at the Strategic Planning session and ACT 31 Gathering. Due to

Unforeseen circumstances, was not available for the WIEA Board meeting

~Sent out information for the upcoming WIEA Board meeting in Red Cliff on

September 16th

~Preparation for the GLITC meeting at Keshena to address the Board on the

Mascot issue and gain support

~Development of the rating criteria to be used for the RFP of the Public Relations

and Communication. Solicited Reviewers from the Board and alternates

I wanted to ask for your assistance in serving as a Reviewer of the RPF Publications/Communications for the Wisconsin Indian Education Association.

Attached is the current RFP for the (WIEA). The deadline for submission of bids is September 8, 2022, at 4:30 p.m., CST, via e-mail. Also, for any submissions received, via “snail” mail, posted as of September 8, 2022.

To assist with this process, please note the following:

SEPTEMBER 8TH RFP Deadline

SEPTEMBER 12TH Bids received, including a Rating Sheet, sent to Reviewers

SEPTEMBER 14TH Individual Rating Sheets returned with your recommendation,

comments, etc., the James E. Pete, DBA, President – WIEA via e-mail

SEPTEMBER 16TH RFP with recommendation on the WIEA Agenda, in Red Cliff

Again, I appreciate your willingness to assist in this very important issue. In the event you are not available or able to participate, that is understandable, and feel free to recommend another person(s), to assist.

**WIEA STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION**

**AUGUST 18, 2022**

AGENDA

~Round Table defining/expectations of Strategic Planning for WIEA

~Update on Brainstorming

~Initial results

~Administrative

~Draft Plan

~Breakout Groups of FINANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES

~WIEA Overall Goal

~Defining Purpose

~Activities of Items

~Consideration of other Strategic Planning Priorities

~Round Table defining/expectations of Strategic Planning for WIEA

* Listen and allow participation
* Review of By-Laws, Policies, and Technology
* All have a voice – sharing
* Laid out to follow – follow-up on
* Collaborative approach
* Prioritizing most important
* Long-term plan – Goals
* Being pulled in all directions
* Consensus model – Every one speaks up
* Review of Mission – Value – Vision
* Defining “effective” process

There were two breakout groups - Finance and Membership. NOTE: A summary of discussion points and thoughts will be provided

I’ve mentioned a few times about the establishment (or re-establishment) of some Committees to assist in the various WIEA process and issues, and to encourage “buy-in” and a sense of ownership.  I put out a call to see if there was interest and did hear back from a few people. This will be further developed.

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**SEPTEMBER**

~In preparation of a presentation at the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Boad meeting on September 8th, in Keshena, Shannon Chapman presented on behalf

Of the WIEA Board and shared the following:

***~”Yes – it went way better than I expected.  I had another meeting right after – a meet and greet with the new UW-Madison chancellor – so I am just getting back to my desk.***

***GLITC made a motion to sign onto the letter as an organization.  The Tribal leaders are taking the letter back to their tribal councils to get support and signatures.  They asked when to have it by – and knowing the slow wheels of governance, I said by October.  I hope that is okay.***

***They were all super supportive and had great words for WIEA and the work being done.  They also liked that NCAI is connecting with Wisconsin tribes as they work to help other states.  I was very grateful to Shannon Holsey for being able to answer some of their questions knowledgeably when I didn’t know the answer.  Overall it was a great meeting.  They thanked WIEA for keeping this issue moving forward.”***