



Wisconsin Indian Education Association ~ N5448 Broder Rd. ~ Shawano ~ WI 54166

**MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2018**

**GIKENDAASOWIN  
LAC DU FLAMBEAU TRIBAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
562 Peace Pipe Road  
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Call to Order: 9:14 am by Brian Jackson**

**Welcome: Doreen Wawronowicz**

**Roll Call:**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Board Member: Term Expires 2019</b>	<b>Board Member: Term Expires 2020</b>
<b>Northwest</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Katrina Werchouski	✓ Brian Jackson, President
<b>Southeast</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Celeste Clark	✓ Rebecca Comfort
<b>Central</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Jolene Bowman	<input type="checkbox"/> Gladys Walker
<b>Northeast</b>	✓ Susan Crazy Thunder, Vice-President	✓ Doreen Wawronowicz
<b>West</b>	✓ Maggie Jensen	✓ Brittany LaMere
<b>South</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Kelsey Harker	✓ Rachel Byington - by phone
<b>East</b>	✓ Shannon Chapman, Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Nuske, Treasurer

<b>Region</b>	<b>Alternate Board Members: Term Expires 2019</b>
<b>Northwest</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> William White <input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Moore <input type="checkbox"/> Cassie Brown
<b>Southeast</b>	✓ Sommer Drake
<b>Central</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Munson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris Munson <input type="checkbox"/> Roberta Moege-Carrington <input type="checkbox"/> Kameo Yakoweyani'yo Fehrenbach



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<b>Northeast</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ashley Maki <input type="checkbox"/> Melinda Young <input type="checkbox"/> Brooks Big John <input type="checkbox"/> Norman Crazy Thunder <input type="checkbox"/> Crystal King <input type="checkbox"/> Victoria Long
<b>West</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Nehomah Thundercloud
<b>South</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tim Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Tara Tindall
<b>East</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Crystal Lepshire

**Excused: Katrina Werchouski, Gladys Walker**

**Guests: Kateri, Alice**

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda for 6-15-18: Jolene Bowman

2nd: Susan Crazy Thunder

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes for 4-19-18 in Keshena: Jolene Bowman

2nd: Virginia Nuske

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**President's Report**

Motion to approve the President's report: Doreen Wawronowicz

2nd: Brittany LaMere

Discussion:

ACT 31 Celebration in August; invitation going to WIEA, Tribal Educators. Working with event coordinator to make event open (not invite only). If there are people to specifically be invited, connect with Brian.

Attended City of Madison All-City Graduation in May.

Attended Special Education meeting for 2 day session. Emphasized importance of having American



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Indian advocate at IEP meetings with Native students. Important for school districts and teachers to remind families to ask for American Indian advocate present. Home School Coordinators used to be part of IEP meetings as well.

June 11, 2018, summit on Indian Education hosted with 40+ people at LDF talking about impact aid, American Indian Studies/ACT 31, Title VI, graduation rates, and cultural accommodations for students. This evolved from ongoing efforts and signed MOU with DPI and LDF in May. DPI and LDF signed MOU. Some tribes are looking at MOUs with state DPI and with individual local school districts. Questions about an advisory committee at state level when issues around MOU need to be addressed.

[DPI and Tribes Developing Agreements to Improve Educational Outcomes for Tribal Youth](#)

July 24 is next tribal caucus meeting hosted by St. Croix in Turtle Lake. Plan is to present to state in November.

Reframing ACT 31 Survey to K12 administrators and teachers - Partnering with UW River Falls for survey methodology.

**Youth and Students**

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

Past Champion: Rebecca Comfort ([rcomfort@wisc.edu](mailto:rcomfort@wisc.edu))

**Partnerships and Public Relations**

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

Past Champion: Chris Munson ([crmunson@gmail.com](mailto:crmunson@gmail.com))

**Foundations and Growth**

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

Past Champion: Brian Jackson ([brian.jackson@ldfschool.org](mailto:brian.jackson@ldfschool.org))

**Professional Development**

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

Past Champion: Brian Jackson ([brian.jackson@ldfschool.org](mailto:brian.jackson@ldfschool.org))

Objective: Investigate framework in ACT 31 Curriculum.

Past Champion: Brian Jackson ([brian.jackson@ldfschool.org](mailto:brian.jackson@ldfschool.org))

**Legislative Breakfast**



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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.

Past Champion: Chris Munson ([crmunson@gmail.com](mailto:crmunson@gmail.com))

Set 2018-2019 Meeting Calendar

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**Treasurer's Report**

Separate documents provided

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report: Doreen Wawronowicz

2nd: Rebecca Comfort

Discussion:

Proposed budget for 2018-2019 included

Discussion on increasing reimbursement for Torchlight Contract which is due in July.

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions - Virginia Nuske

**2018 Conference Recap**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

Very rewarding opportunity

450 registered attendees, including 50 students

The 2016 Madison Report and 2017 LDF Report were very helpful aids in the planning process

Committee is debriefing on Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Will work with Virginia to reconcile budget and develop annual report

Connections with local school districts, neighboring tribes, IT, casino banquet/planning staff, Brandon on standby, youth services

Considerations/Follow Up Requests

Paper Tigers viewing possibilities; Menominee School District owns the rights

The Network Training held multiple times per year for professional development

Quick list of resources for teachers

**Public Relations**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

Working with Virginia to resend funding information from conference

Newsletter - get submissions from each community; [communications@wiewa.net](mailto:communications@wiewa.net) or [wiewa2018@gmail.com](mailto:wiewa2018@gmail.com)



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Highlight new board members and roles in newsletter

Registrant list w/ addresses will be sent to Chris Munson ([crmunson@gmail.com](mailto:crmunson@gmail.com)).

**Mascot Logo**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

[National High School Journalism Convention](#), Nov 1-4, 2018 in Chicago - theme of "Why is it taking so long?" [IndianMascots.com](#) needs to incorporate opportunities for advocacy and update history; also update educational resources. Ideas, updates, curriculum can be forwarded to

[barbara.e.munson@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.e.munson@gmail.com)

Plan for A.I. Month in November - trifecta of Columbus Day, Halloween, and Thanksgiving...Oh My: Cultural Appropriation vs Cultural Responsiveness

**Special Education**

Tabled

**[NIEA Update](#)**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

Testified to US Dept of Education Bureau of Indian Education at National Congress of American Indians mid-year conference in Kansas City. Focused on collaboration with Tribes and school districts; disproportionality in special education; need for culturally responsive curriculum, discipline, and understanding

Medicaid - requiring work status for American Indians with rest of population which will erode sovereignty; emphasized constitutional distinction of American Indian people.

Udall introduced bill as part of Interior Appropriations Bill to increase funding levels for Indian Education, Tribal Colleges & Universities, and Indian Health Services

NIEA is strategic planning; meeting in Chicago; looking at restructure for regions

Deadline to submit consideration to serve on NIEA board due August 11, 2018.

**Rebecca Holly Comfort position with the Wisconsin Historical Society**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

Rebecca serves as American Indian Nation Liaison and has direct contact with Director's office. The Historical Society has a new museum project in the works. Rebecca is going to visit all 12 tribes in WI plus Milwaukee and Madison and host listening sessions. The Madison listening session will correspond with the February WIEA meeting/Legislative breakfast. Focus is to ensure tribes are telling their own stories

**Menominee Nation Request**

Motion to sponsor Menominee College Night as part of AlterNative project in the amount of \$130: Virginia Nuske; 2nd: Rebecca Comfort; Discussion:

✓ Pass



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- Fail
- Abstentions

**Old Business**

Motion to...:

2nd:

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
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**New Business**

No Action - Discussion Only

Discussion:

Verona School District concern regarding student not being able to wear eagle feather at graduation. Also an incident in Madison Metropolitan School District through Madison West.

What can WIEA board do?

Letter to school districts and the high schools

DPI reminder from 2017-2018

Avenue for people to share stories around graduation issues to WIEA (perhaps form on website)

Encourage Madison West, MMSD, and Verona school districts to attend professional development opportunities

Address policies - distinction between decoration/costume w/ sacred items

Develop statement that piggy backs with DPI letter and can be shared

Encourage social media campaign of tribal youth sharing stories of graduation - showcase mortar boards; connect with school districts in April to proactively address regalia/eagle feather - positive thing that your district is graduating an American Indian(s)

NCAI has [resolution on wearing eagle feather](#) at graduation

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions

**Regional Reports**

Region	Information
<b>Northwest</b>	
<b>Southeast</b>	
<b>Central</b>	
<b>Northeast</b>	Nicolet had cohort of Tribal Business Management TD of 12 graduates



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<b>West</b>	DPI, Ho-Chunk Nation, and Black River School District is hosting the <a href="#">American Indian Student Summer Institute</a> - July 30 to August 3
<b>South</b>	Professional Development opportunities Advanced Learning and Formal STEM grant
<b>East</b>	49 graduates from CMN; AAS, BS, TD Additional classroom for babies in language immersion June 22, 10 am to 12:30 pm - Shawano SD is holding consultation with tribes (Menominee, Stockbridge, Oneida, and Ho-Chunk) for listening session. New president at CMN - Dr. Paul Trebian State has new standards for environmental literacy; Sustainable Development staff took part in unpacking the standards AlterNative project at Menominee

**Next Meeting - August 9th, Oneida**

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 12:10 pm: Virginia Nuske

2nd: Doreen Wawronowicz

Discussion:

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions -

**2018-2019 Meeting Schedule**

**June 15, 2018 - LDF**

**July 2018 - No Meeting**

**August 9, 2018 - Oneida; in conjunction with 4th Annual ACT 31 Celebration - 28 Years**

**September 6, 2018 - ICS; in conjunction with Indian Summer**

**October 10-13 2018 - [NIEA Convention & Trade Show](#)**

**October 19, 2018 - Madison**

**November 16, 2018 - Stockbridge**

**December, 2018 - No Meeting**

**January 18, 2019 - Conference Call**

**February 19, 2019 - Madison -**

**February 20, 2019 - Legislative Breakfast**

**March 15, 2019 - Menominee**

**April 2019 - West Conference - Coordinating with Ho-Chunk Education for annual conference**