



Wisconsin Indian Education Association ~ N5448 Broder Road ~ Shawano ~ WI 54166

**MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**March 20, 2020**  
**Teleconference**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** 9:07 by Brian Jackson

**Welcome::** Brian Jackson

**Roll Call:**

Region	Board Member: Term Expires 2020	Board Member: Term Expires 2021
Northwest	✓ Brian Jackson, President	<input type="checkbox"/> Katrina Werchouski
Southeast	✓ Rebecca Comfort, Vice President	✓ Celeste Clark
Central	<input type="checkbox"/> Gladys Walker	✓ Dr. Jolene Bowman
Northeast	✓ Doreen Wawronowicz	✓ Susan Crazy Thunder
West	✓ Brittany LeMere	<input type="checkbox"/> Deana Mitch
South	✓ Rachel Byington	✓ Verna Comfort
East	✓ Virginia Nuske, Treasurer	✓ Shannon Chapman, Secretary

Region	Alternate Board Members: Term Expires 2020
Northwest	<input type="checkbox"/> William White <input type="checkbox"/> Cassie Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Anna DeMers
Southeast	<input type="checkbox"/> Sommer Drake <input type="checkbox"/> Audra Williams <input type="checkbox"/> James Flores
Central	<input type="checkbox"/> Barb Munson <input type="checkbox"/> Roberta Moede-Carrington <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Nicole Bowman <input type="checkbox"/> Lucille Burr <input type="checkbox"/> Iris Carufel
Northeast	<input type="checkbox"/> Pat Takamine <input type="checkbox"/> Donald Keeble
West	<input type="checkbox"/> Karie Decorah <input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Shegonee
South	<input type="checkbox"/> Tim Fish
East	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Schultz <input type="checkbox"/> Crystal Lepscier
<b>Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction</b>	
Liaisons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David O'Connor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eva Kubinski



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**Roll Call continued:**

**Excused:**

**Guests:**

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**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to approve the Agenda made by:**

**2nd:**

**Discussion:**

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions:

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to approve the meeting minutes for February 2020 made by: Jolene Bowman**

**2nd: Virginia Nuske**

**Discussion:**

- Pass
- Fail
- Abstentions: Shannon

**President's Report & Conference Report**

- 1) Conference: Postponed. Looking at September, possibly. We still need to move forward in our efforts.
- 2) Brittany: Acknowledged those who have helped - the board, her staff. If they do have it in September, school is starting. And will there be another conference in April? Also, Milwaukee is supposed to be holding the Democratic Convention, so that is a factor to keep in mind.
- 3) Virginia: September seems ideal. She has deposited the checks received so far. Brittany is doing a wonderful job, with her staff. We should move forward in our plans.
- 4) Susan: Will be talking with Virginia after the meeting regarding vendor communications. We need to look at all who registered and clarified a refund policy if that is what they want. We need to determine whether they would get a full refund or if a percent would be taken out for administrative costs.
- 5) Brandon: Walked the team through the policy and process, costs of credit card payments. It is up to the board as to how to cover the 5% - keep it from the registrations or offer a full refund and the board absorbs the cost of the 5%.
- 6) Eva: If we cover the 5%, it may make others more likely to come in the future.
- 7) Virginia: There should be a deadline for when refunds are processed. Question for Brittany - if you made a hotel reservation, what to do. Brian: All hotel reservations were automatically cancelled for the conference.
- 8) Susan and Rebecca agree with Eva's suggestion about conference refunds, maintaining goodwill with members.
- 9) Rebecca: People are losing their jobs. If we can afford to take a hit, even though it is a lot of work on our part, making sure the money goes back to others, people would be receptive and likely to tell their friends that this is an organization that they support and encourage others to support it.
- 10) September dates: Board discussed dates and other conflicting events in September. We will hold off on selecting a date. We don't know how long this is going to last.
- 11) Refunds - we have 89 registrants right now. Would need to create an itemized report of who has paid, who will pay at the door. Look at having all registration refund requests to Virginia by June 1st. This information needs to be compiled before we can make a decision.



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**Motion to meet in one week regarding registration refunds and fees made by: Brittany Lamere**

**2nd: Rebecca Comfort**

**Discussion:** Rebecca will send out a doodle poll to determine a date for next teleconference. Brittany will send out a meeting invitation.

- Pass**
- Fail**
- Abstentions:**

**Next Meeting: Week of March 23-27th (TBD based on Doodle Poll results)**

### **Adjourn**

**Motion to adjourn at 10:06 by: Rebecca Comfort**

**2nd: Virginia Nuske**

**Discussion:**

- Pass**
- Fail**
- Abstentions:**