



Native American Heritage Fund Board (NAHFB) Meeting

March 12, 2021

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chairperson Jamie Stuck called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., via Zoom.

Kelli Scott requested the members to state the County where they are located pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and Susan Connolly recorded each on the record.

A. Native American Heritage Fund Board Members present:

Jamie Stuck, Chairperson (Calhoun County)
Dorie Rios, Vice Chair (Calhoun County)
Melissa Kiesewetter, Treasurer (Eaton County)
Liz Kinnart, Secretary (Kent County)
Kimberly Vargo (Grand Traverse County)

Others present:

Kelli Scott, Calhoun County Administrator/Controller
Susan Connolly, Calhoun County Executive Assistant
Lucy Blair, Calhoun County Communications Manager
Judi Henckel, NHBP Tribe Communications Manager

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda for Friday, March 12, 2021

Approved without objection.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Friday, February 26, 2021

Approved without objection.

4. Public Comment

There was none.

5. Old Business Items:

There were none.



6. Correspondence:

There were none.

7. New Business Items:

A. Review and Finalization of 2021 Grant Application

Kelli Scott noted that the 2020 Grant Application was attached to the agenda for the Board's review and finalization for 2021, noting that the application was created to be similar to the FireKeepers Local Revenue Sharing Board (FLRSB) Tier 4 Discretionary Grant Application, and further modified by Legal Counsel Bill Brooks to conform with the Compact rules regarding the NAHF award criteria.

Melissa Kiesewetter recommended that the language regarding eligible entities be modified to make it clearer that non-profit organizations must seek an eligible local government or school/college as fiduciary in order to apply.

The Board discussed and reached consensus on this change in wording.

Kiesewetter also requested the addition of language strongly encouraging applicants to request letters of support from federally recognized tribes. The Board discussed and reached consensus on this change in wording.

Liz Kinnart **motioned** to approve the 2021 Grant Application with changes to be made by Calhoun County Administration and pending legal review.

Melissa Kiesewetter – **Seconded**

On a Roll Call Vote, Yes – 5. **Motion Passed**

8. Open Discussion

Judy Henckel shared she will work with Lucy Blair in the upcoming weeks to issue a press release regarding the application timeline and to post the application in April.

9. Next Meeting

Friday, June 18, 2021, 1:00 p.m. via Zoom



10. Adjournment of the Meeting

Meeting adjourned by Jamie Stuck, NAHFB Chairperson, at 12:30 p.m.

MINUTES PREPARED BY _____
Susan Connolly, Deputy Clerk/Legal Assistant/Executive Assistant