



Native American Heritage Fund Board (NAHFB) Meeting

July 16, 2021

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chairperson Jamie Stuck called the meeting to order at 12:01 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 McClellan (Grand Traverse County)

Others present:

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

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda for Friday, July 16, 2021

Approved without objection.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Friday, June 18, 2021

Approved without objection.

4. Public Comment

There was none.

5. Old Business Items:

There were none.



6. Correspondence:

A. NMU 2019 Grant Extension Request

Kelli Scott noted the contents of the email from Northern Michigan University requesting a second no-cost extension of their 2019 NAHF grant due to the pandemic and the resulting estimated project completion of mid-year 2022.

Liz Kinnart **motioned** to approve the NMU 2019 Grant extension request.

Melissa Kiesewetter - **Seconded**

VOTE:

Dorie Rios-Yes

Liz Kinnart-Yes

Melissa Kiesewetter-Yes

Kimberly McClellan -Yes

Jamie Stuck-Yes

Motion Passed Unanimously

B. Leelanau County Letter re: Northport Schools 2021 Grant Application

Andrea Burks with Northport Schools participated in the Zoom call. Ms. Burks shared that Northport Schools will work with the Grand Traverse Band related to accurate maps and signage to bring recognition and clarity on the history of the land and celebrate the heritage with the schools and band.

Kelli Scott informed the Board that this letter of support from Leelanau County was attached separately from the agenda packet as it was not included in the compiled grant notifications document, due to the date the letter was received.

C. 2021 Grant Award Press Release

Kelli Scott noted that a copy of the June press release announcing the grant awards was included for the Board's reference. Chairman Stuck added that a second press release about the grants would go out following today's NAHF Board meeting.

D. Compiled Grant Applicant Email Notifications

Kelli Scott noted that she sent email notifications to all grant applicants, and that this email correspondence was included with the meeting agenda packets so that NAHF Board members are aware of the messages and any return responses.



7. New Business Items:

A. July 16, 2021 Financial Report

Ms. Scott reviewed the financial report, noting that she was presenting interim information through the current day, July 16, because it would then include all of the 2021 grant awards and other expenses, to give a close projection of how this year will end. She reported that after the annual payment to the County for contracted administrative services and payment for last year's audit, along with grant disbursements there would be a year-end balance at December 31 of just under \$800.

B. Approval to Disburse Checks for 2021 Grant Awards, approved June 18, 2021, totaling \$480,913.50:

1. East Jordan Public Schools, \$17,500.00
2. Kalamazoo Regional Educational Services Agency (KRESA), \$16,800.00
3. Lansing School District—Vivian Riddle Elementary School, \$47,712.00
4. Michigan College Access Network (MCAN)/Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College, \$60,000.00
5. Michigan Technological University, \$19,056.00
6. Northport Public Schools, \$22,860.00
7. Okemos Public Schools, \$213,663.50
8. Rochester Community Schools, \$6,100.00
9. Saugatuck Public Schools, \$43,022.00
10. Sault Area Schools, \$26,000.00
11. Traverse City Area Public Schools, \$8,200.00

Dori Rios **motioned** to approve the disbursement of checks for the 2021 Grant Awards, approved June 18, 2021, totaling \$480,913.50.

Melissa Kiesewetter - **Seconded**

VOTE:

Liz Kinnart-Yes
Melissa Kiesewetter-Yes
Kimberly McClellan -Yes
Jamie Stuck-Yes
Dorie Rios-Yes

Motion Passed Unanimously



C. Approval to Disburse Check for Administrative Expenses:

1. Annual QuickBooks Subscription, Calhoun County, \$540.00 (autopay scheduled for August 2021)

Melissa Kiesewetter **motioned** to approve the check disbursement for Administrative Expenses, Annual QuickBooks Subscription, Calhoun County (autopay scheduled for August 2021) in the amount of \$540.00

Kimberly McClellan – **Seconded**

VOTE:

Melissa Kiesewetter – Yes

Kimberly McClellan – Yes

Jamie Stuck – Yes

Dorie Rios – Yes

Liz Kinnart - Yes

Motion Passed Unanimously

8. Open Discussion

Jamie Stuck thanked Calhoun County Administrator/Controller Kelli Scott and Executive Assistant Susan Connolly for their administrative work and thanked the County Commissioners for their support of the annual Administrative Services Agreement.

Kelli Scott commented about her appreciation of the positive influence the NHBP Tribe and the two revenue sharing boards have on the Calhoun County and statewide communities. Ms. Scott reiterated the NAHF Board's request that grant awardees keep us updated on their projects and progress along with any pictures or other documents that might best demonstrate the Fund's wonderful impact across the state.

Melissa Kiesewetter expressed appreciation for this year's grant applications received and invited applicants to reapply for grants for phased projects in future years and to think ahead for future projects.

9. Next Meeting

TBD, 1st Qtr 2022



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10. Adjournment of the Meeting

Meeting adjourned by Jamie Stuck, NAHFB Chairperson, at 12:29 p.m., with transition to an informal grant award ceremony to follow. He invited grant awardees to stay on the Zoom meeting to join this ceremony and explain their projects.

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