

Delaware Tribe of Indians Editorial Committee Guidelines

Mission:

The Delaware Indian News (DIN) mission is to inform Delaware citizens about political, economic, and cultural issues that influence Delaware society. The Delaware are a distinct people born into tradition and culture to which the Delaware Tribe of Indians (DTI) Editorial Committee aspires to honor by educating and unifying its readers through appropriate journalism. DTI Editorial Committee will follow the ethics for good journalism in performing their services with their freedoms intact.

How the Editorial Committee will Work

The Editorial Committee will speak on the Delaware Indian News behalf. The Editor-in-Chief/Chairperson shall be an appointee of the Delaware Tribal Council. This Chairperson will select co-editors, who shall be approved by the Tribal Council. The work of the Delaware Tribe of Indians Editorial Committee (DTIEC) is to meet and engage with ideas and discussions for the Delaware Indian News (DIN), examine articles for flaws, push them in new directions, (sometimes) discard them entirely and (ideally) mold them into coherence.

Committee members and journalists will interview sources and will go wherever Delaware interests lead and report an accurate depiction of the event. The Editorial Committee will likely impose a few constraints.

Publishing the Delaware Indian News will be a team effort. The Editorial Committee will determine the officers and act as a standing committee under the Delaware Tribe of Indians. However, the Delaware Tribe of Indians Editorial Committee will remain non-partisan and act only in the best interest of the Delaware society.

Regulations

1. The Editorial Committee shall edit and periodically (at present quarterly) publish the Delaware Indian News (DIN).
2. The Editorial Committee shall be comprised of Editor-in-Chief (hereinafter referred to as “Chairperson”) and committee members consisting of co-editors of the DIN.
3. Editors shall not necessarily be members of the Delaware Tribe, but should be if at all possible.
4. The Chairperson shall oversee the editorial operations for the Delaware Indian News, maintaining communications among the editors.
5. The co-editors shall assist the Chairperson and substitute the duties of the Chairperson if he/she cannot perform those duties due to accidents or equivalent events.
6. The Editorial Committee shall be convened by the Chairperson.
7. Amendments to these Regulations shall require a resolution of the Delaware Tribal Council.
8. Editors may also have their objectivity influenced or biased by conflicts of interest. As a result, the Delaware Tribal Council recommends that editors follow policies on conflicts

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of interest that require disclosure of all relevant conflicts of interest (financial and nonfinancial) and also that they not participate in the review of or decisions on any articles in which they may have a conflict of interest. Editor-in-Chief and co-editors shall never use information obtained during the review process for personal or professional gain. Editor-in-Chief and co-editors shall refrain from making any decisions or recommendations in which they hold personal financial.

9. The Editorial Committee will not take any direction from any individual Tribal Council member but will receive direction ONLY from the Council as a whole. Any questions concerning content that needs addressed by the Council should be sent via email to ALL council members.