Chairman Chet Brooks called November 18, 2015 Trust Board meeting to order at 4:16pm.

Vice Chair Mary Watters gave the invocation.

Secretary Roger Stewart called the roll. Those present were, Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Mary Watters, Treasurer John Sumpter, Secretary Roger Stewart, Members Homer Scott and Joe Brooks. Member Verna Crawford was absent.

Chairman Chet Brooks states for the record Verna has now missed her second regular meeting and this forfeits her office by removal.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Sasheen Reynolds, Johnny Barker, Jean Lewis, Dana Murrell, Bonnie Jo Griffith and Allan Barnes.

Trust Board Meeting November 18, 2015 Agenda:

Homer Scott moved to approve the agenda.

No second and no vote was stated.

Previous meeting October 19, 2015 Minutes:

Joe Brooks moved to approve the minutes with any corrections.

Homer Scott seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 5 in favor.

Chairman Chet Brooks Abstains since he wasn’t at the October meeting.

Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer John Sumpter reported the Trust balance as of September 30, 2015 was $3,989,656.64; The October 31, 2015 balance was $4,114,056.90. That is an increase of $124,400.

Discussion: Wait till December’s financials before preparing the budget. Jean Lewis is recognized. Suggests estimating using last year’s budget so that the committees can work on their programs then if needed reallocate.
Joe Brooks moved to approve the treasurer’s report.

Roger Stewart seconded the motion. 
Motion carried with all in favor.

Committee Reports:

Community Services: Chair Joe Brooks

The Community Services Committee met Monday October 12, 2015.

Joe Brooks reports seven applications approved. Two Burial for $1000.00. One Elder prescription for $320.45. Three Emergency Assistance totaling $600.00 and One Rental Assistance at $200.00. Total approved amount $2,120.45.

The next meeting report will be for December 14, 2015.

Cultural Preservation: Chair Homer Scott

The Cultural Preservation Committee met November 2, 2015.

Homer Scott reported the cost is 5k for the clearing of the Stomp Grounds. The committees have all donated and with the $1,000 donation at the tribal council meeting last night the 5k has been met. Looking at clearing and preparing the grounds beginning this week.

Discussion: Homer Scott, John Sumpter and Chet Brooks discussed the role models for the songs and dances are down to just 2 ladies after Jan Brown’s passing. Suggests the passing of these dances on to other ladies and the songs to the young men to keep the Delaware culture alive using the videos and CDs. Drumming and moccasin making as well as the language class.

Next meeting will be December 7, 2015.

Education: Co-Chair Joe Brooks

The Education Committee met November 9, 2015.

Three applications. Two Athletic totaling $100.00; One Education for $50.00.

The next meeting report will be for December 14, 2015.
Elders Committee: Chair Mary Watters

The Elders Committee met November 2, 2015.

Committee was formed as follows: Chair, Mary Watters; Vice Chair Homer Scott; Secretary Treasurer Bonnie Jo Griffith. For Halloween furnished the candy for the daycare kid’s trick or treating. The kids and Elders both enjoyed that.

The next meeting report will be December 7, 2015

Reinvestment: Chair John Sumpter

Chair John Sumpter stated no meeting so no report.

Tribal Operations: Chair Chet Brooks

No report.

Veterans Committee: Co-Chair Roger Stewart

Roger Stewart said the committee met October 21, 2015. Delaware War Mothers took measurements for the vests. Held discussion on the stomp grounds and will have a float for the Bartlesville Veterans parade. Chili Cook off next year challenging War Mothers to a Chili Cook off.

Unfinished Business: Discussion: Joe Brooks would like to have each member’s input regarding the budget for next year.

New Business:

A. Donation to Lenapeowsi Christmas party

Joe Brooks made a motion to donate to the Lenapeowsi Christmas party on December 19, up to the amount of $500.00, just to cover what the Culture Preservation Committee cannot.

Discussion: What the committees could donate and how to be fair.

Homer Scott seconded.

Treasurer John Sumpter abstains he is a board member.

Motion carried 5 in favor.

Other New Business:
Chairman Chet Brooks regarding Verna Crawford’s removal from Trust Board

Joe Brooks moved to make Verna Crawford’s absence unexcused.
John Sumpter seconded.
Motion carried with all in favor.

Joe Brooks moved to remove Verna Crawford from the Trust Board.
John Sumpter seconded.

Discussion: Chairman Chet Brooks mentioned he did speak to Verna regarding her removal. She was aware of her position.

Joe Brooks mentions the vacancy needs to be posted on the Tribe’s website for a minimum of 21 days and the interested party must provide a letter and resume to the Trust Board Chairman and be present at the next Trust Board meeting.

Motion carried all in favor.

Mary Randall is recognized. Announces the Chili cook-off between the Delaware War Mothers and the Veterans will be October 15, 2016.

Joe Brooks moved to hold the next Trust Board meeting on December 16, 2015 at 4 p.m. in the Delaware Community Center, 5100 Tuxedo Blvd.

Homer Scott seconded the motion.
Motion carried with all in favor.

Chairman Chet Brooks mentions the inclusion of the old Code of Conduct and the New Code of Ethics for review. Discussion.

Homer Scott motions to adjourn.
Joe Brooks seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm