

**Delaware Tribe of Indians  
Delaware Trust Board Minutes  
Regular Meeting April 13, 2016  
Delaware Community Center  
Minutes--- Approved  
Respectfully submitted by Roger Stewart, Trust Board Secretary**

**Chairman Chet Brooks** called April 13, 2016 Trust Board meeting to order at 5:35 pm.  
**Mary Watters** gave the invocation.

**Secretary Roger Stewart** called the roll. Those present were, Chairman Chet Brooks, Vice Chair Mary Jo Peterson, Treasurer John Sumpter, Secretary Roger Stewart, Joe Brooks and Mary Watters.

Guests, Tribal officials and employees present included, John Cardoza, James Maddux, Paul Bradford, Dana Murrell and GE Watters.

**Trust Board Meeting April 13, 2016 Agenda:**

**Joe Brooks** moved to amend the Agenda allowing John Cardoza and James Maddux from BancFirst to make their presentation to the Trust Board as the next order of business.

**Homer Scott** seconded.

**Motion Carried** all in favor.

**Paul Bradford** is recognized. He introduces BancFirst's representatives.

**BancFirst Representatives** James Maddux, a native Cherokee, and John Cardoza are recognized.

**Discussion** between BancFirst and the Trust Board began with explanation of their origin and history followed by their investment approach and their evaluation standpoints. Discussion also included frequency of meetings and the expectations from the Trust Board. The Trust Board members asked questions and James or John answered accordingly.

**Paul Bradford** is recognized. Advises the Trust Board of another investment group, Charles Schwab. They will be attending the next meeting.

**Discussion:** If the Trust Board moves their investments from Arvest, does it require moving the trust board banking account as well?

### **Previous meeting March 23, 2016 Minutes:**

**Joe Brooks** moved to approve the minutes with corrections if needed.  
**Mary Jo Peterson** seconded the motion.

**Motion** carried all in favor.

### **Treasurer's Report**

**Treasurer John Sumpter:** The Trust balance as of February 29, 2016 was \$3,918,753.86; The March 31, 2016 balance was \$4,092,668.88. That is an increase of \$173,915.02.

**Joe Brooks** moved to approve the treasurer's report pending audit.

**Roger Stewart** seconded the motion.

**Motion** carried with all in favor.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Community Services: Chair Joe Brooks**

The Community Services Committee met April 11, 2016.

**Joe Brooks** reports one Burial for \$500.00. One Elder Rx for \$195.79.  
Total approved amount \$695.79.

The next meeting report will be for May 9, 2016.

#### **Cultural Preservation: Chair Homer Scott**

The Cultural Preservation Committee met April 11, 2016.

**Homer Scott** reported discussion on the garden and stomp ground progress. Rye seeds have been spread on the grounds because the grass wasn't growing. He discussed the need to get people involved in the culture. The need for teaching it and reaching out to the young. There are only about three women that know all the original songs and dances. More teenagers and adults need to know these things including making the clothing and moccasins. It takes more than just one person, everybody needs to get more involved. A questionnaire has been circulated to find out the interests of the people locally and also to those who are out of state. It's going in the DIN, it is posted on the website and also Facebook. There are language classes every other week and the drumming and socials are going to start back up soon.

Next meeting will be May 9, 2016.

**Education: Co-Chair Joe Brooks**

The Committee met April 11, 2016.

Joe Brooks reported one full-time Scholarships for \$300.00. Total amount \$300.00.

The next meeting report will be for May 9, 2016.

**Elders Committee: Homer Scott**

The Elders Committee met March 7, 2016.

The financials had a balance of \$16,689.51. The elder activity was a trip to Forest Manor, however the committee didn't go as a group. Individuals went one or two at a time instead to visit elders. They did go to the Osage Casino in Ponca City. Mark Sims who has been coming to lunch at the Delaware Community Center provided the elders with \$5 vouchers and free plays. The food was really good and they had a great time. He made it really nice for them and everyone appreciated it. Stainless steel tables were approved and ordered for the kitchen. Rye seeds were going to be spread on the grounds and a stomp dance for tribal members is planned in the near future. An Elders Health Fair is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 to 2pm.

The next meeting report will be May 2, 2016.

**Reinvestment: Chair John Sumpter**

**Chair John Sumpter** stated no meeting so no report.

**Tribal Operations: Chair Chet Brooks**

**Chairman Chet Brooks** no report except the Tribe got its annual percentage a couple of months ago.

**Veterans Committee: Co-Chair Roger Stewart**

**Roger Stewart** no meeting no report yet.

Next meeting is April 20, 2016 at 5:30pm.

**Homer Scott** also reported the Veteran's Auction is April 23<sup>rd</sup> and they still need donations for it. Doors open 10am. They are having a spaghetti or chili dinner for \$5. They are also selling raffle tickets for a .22 caliber Golden Boy Magnum rifle. Drawing will be held the Thursday before Memorial Day weekend, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Whoever wins will have to pick it up themselves due to the background check. Our receptionist Angela will be asked to sell the tickets also.

**Discussion:** Flyers needed for auction. Need to get the word out.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Joe Brooks** moved to allow Paul Bradford to invite Charles Schwab to make a presentation at the next meeting.

**Mary Jo Peterson** seconded.

**Motion** carried all in favor.

**Discussion:** Regarding fees that Arvest charges.

**Moved** to go to executive session at 7:41pm

Meeting back in session at 7:46

**Joe Brooks** moved for the next Trust Board meeting to be May 18, 2016 at 5:00pm to avoid conflict with the Veteran's committee meeting.

**Homer Scott** seconded.

**Motion** carried all in favor.

**Joe Brooks** made a motion to adjourn.

**John Sumpter** seconded.

**Motion** carried all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm