The Delaware Trust Board met Wednesday, August 15, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m. by Chairperson Mary Jo Peterson. Opening prayer was offered by Chief Chet Brooks. Roll call was done by Assistant Chairperson Marilyn Cole in the absence of Secretary Verna Crawford. A quorum was established with the only absence being Ms. Crawford. Motion to make Verna Crawford absence unexcused unless documentation is submitted showing illness was made by Joe Brooks seconded by Homer Scott. Motion carried with one abstention. Guests in the audience were Chief Brooks, Kay Anderson, her granddaughter, Leslie Young and Jean Lewis; they were welcomed by the Chair. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Roger Stewart seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor.

Minutes of the meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Joe Brooks seconded by Roger Stewart. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer’s report was given by Joe Brooks.
Clarification of Veterans donations and the use of the Tribal Operations monies were given by Leslie Young. Lengthy discussion followed. Motion to recommend to the Tribal Council to use the remaining Tribal Operations funds for the Education shortage was made by Roger Stewart seconded by Homer Scott. Discussion followed. Motion then carried with all in favor. Motion to approve the treasurers report pending audit was made by Homer Scott seconded by Marilyn Cole. Motion carried with all in favor.

Committee Reports:

Community Service report was given by Joe Brooks. The committee met on Monday, August 13. There were five burial applications approved, two elder optical, three emergency, one rental and two student optical applications approved. For a total of $5,409.16

Cultural Preservation report was given by Homer Scott. He stated that the committee had discussed a couple of location for the upcoming Delaware Days. The consensus of the committee was to hold the celebration at the Powwow grounds. Friday will be a pot luck dinner, Saturday the committee will provide the meats (bologna and pork loin) there will be traditional foods as sides. The youth will be taught how to make fry bread. The elders have provided a stipend that will allow the sand to be spread on the new stomp grounds. Discussion on the cost for the use of the powwow grounds followed. The committee provides a $300 donation to the land owners for the use. The next meeting will be September 10 and the pot luck will be on the 11th.

Education Committee Report was given by Marilyn Cole. She stated that the committee met on Monday, August 13. A total of thirty eight full time scholarships and one part time scholarship were approved for a total of $15,400. The total of approved scholarships to date is $22,400. The committee also approved four academic awards, two athletic assistance, two drivers education, six education assistance, 17 school supply and one Vo-tech application for a total of $1,762.84

Elder committee report was given by Homer Scott. He stated that their next casino trip will be to Ponca City on Friday, August 17th and next month they will go to Sand Springs. The Pendleton blanket for Mrs. Cummings was picked up last week.
Discussion of Pendleton blankets for oldest living Delaware’s was held. The committee has approved to do this on a quarterly basis.

Reinvestment stated that a meeting needs to be scheduled. No report.

Tribal Operations had no report.

Veterans committee does not have a secretary so no minutes were provided. Discussion that these will be necessary as documentation is needed for approval of expenditures.

Motion to accept reports as presented was made by Marilyn Cole, seconded by Roger Stewart. Motion carried with all in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion of the purchase of a popcorn machine was held. Motion to approve up to $1,000 from the elders budget for the purchase of a popcorn machine was made by Joe Brooks, seconded by Homer Scott. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mary Jo stated that the letters have been signed and sent to Albuquerque Trust Management.

A donation of $25 was received from Charles Hetzler. This will be placed in the unrestricted education budget. Mary Jo will send a Thank you.

Charles Randall sent an email stating he will not be attending the meeting tonight, therefore no joint meeting was scheduled.

New Business:

Reinvestment meeting was discussed. The committee will meet on Tuesday, August 21st at 1:30 p.m.

Homer discussed that the Veterans committee would like to apply for nonprofit status. Lengthy discussion followed, it was stated that as long as no tribal or trust monies are used and they would need to apply for their own EIN number.
Joe Brooks stated that he and Homer Scott will be out of town in September. They will be attending a reburial and meeting with Susan Strossman. Lengthy discussion followed. The Trust Board meeting will be held Wednesday, September 26th at 5:00 p.m. Motion to approve the meeting date and time was made by Homer Scott, seconded by Roger Stewart. Motion carried with all in favor.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Marilyn Cole, seconded by Homer Scott, Motion carried with all in favor.