

Delaware Trust Board
Delaware Tribe of Indians
Monday, August 3, 2009

Vice Chairman Wayne Stull called the Delaware Trust Board meeting to order at 6:03pm. Wayne recognized the guests. Earnest Tiger gave the invocation. At roll call, Chairman Raymond Cline was absent due to illness. Present: Vice Chairman Wayne Stull, Secretary Jenifer Pechonick, Treasurer Verna Crawford, Bill Hatch, Doyle Hayes and Anita Davis-Lewis.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve minutes from previous Trust Board meeting, 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford gave the financial report. The ending balance of total assets for the end of June was \$3,266,617.79, this is an increase of \$70,357.01 from the beginning of May.

The Economic Development report was given by Earnest Tiger. The tribal representatives met with the First Bank of Oklahoma. The bank said they would like to work with the tribe and are looking at two of the economic development projects that have been on hold for some time. The 2007 audit is recently completed and 2008 audit will begin soon when these are over they will be added to the financial information for the bank. The next meeting of Economic Development is scheduled for the 27th of August.

Land management met and discussed the cemetery. The Delaware Cemetery on the two mile does not fall under land management, the cemetery is under control of the county. However, the cows have been in the cemetery and the committee recruited volunteers to fix the fence.

Education hasn't had a meeting but will be meeting next week to get the fall scholarships out.

Cultural Preservation meets monthly. Jenifer Pechonick announced that Delaware Days will be held the last weekend in September at the Fall Leaf dance grounds. Jim Rementer did not receive the donation approved by the Culture Committee in June. The Chairman noted that anything under \$600 is under the Chairman of Culture Committee. Marilyn said that she did not get minutes to reflect the approval. Anita will make sure that the June minutes are resubmitted.

Resolution 2009-03, authorizing tribal officials to conduct business with the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians was presented. Vicki Sousa explained the status of the funds and the possibility of a meeting with OST and the necessity of the resolution to allow her and others to conduct business on behalf of the tribe. Discussion was held on the monies that will be returned to the Trust. Doyle said we need to rethink what to do with the money. Wayne said we can revisit what to do with the money, but we should make every effort to get it first.

Verna made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-03, 2nd Bill Hatch. Motion passed all in favor.

Vicki Sousa asked if since this is Trust Board money - is the request official since it comes from the Tribe? Verna asked if it would be in our best interest to ask our Chairman to send a letter of support of the Tribe's letter requesting release of funds. The consensus of the Trust Board is that the Chairman will send a letter of support of the Tribe's letter for release of funds.

New Business - Committees need to be thinking about 2010 budget so they are done by the October meeting.

This year's election is a Trust election. Verna Crawford made a motion to approve the request and recommendation of the Election Board to set the Trust Board Election and use Automated Services, to be charged to each committee by percentage of distribution. 2nd Bill Hatch. Motion passed all in favor.

Mary Jo Peterson said that the ANA grant was not awarded to the Tribe. Mary Jo thinks that our recognition had something to do with not being selected and that we will have a better chance next year.

Vicki Sousa said that she doesn't feel that the accounts we've been discussing include the IIM accounts. She wanted to know who should give permission to deal with the IIM monies. The consensus was IIM goes through the Tribe.

NCAI year end is in October in Palm Springs, CA. Wayne announced he is going to run for NCAI Area Vice President and would like as many people as we can afford to go to vote.

Verna discussed the mid year NCAI meeting and details about using the tribal identification as valid for travel between Canada and US and Mexico and US. Wayne discussed the ruling that tribe's not recognized prior to 1934 can not put land in trust.

Wayne said that he talked to Curtis Zunigha who is working with the 2010 Census. He said that Curtis is going to get Wayne materials for the Tribe.

Nancy Sumpter asked a question about IIM monies and what happened to the money after the cutoff date. An explanation was given about the monies being divided up prior to the cutoff date. Nancy suggested that a portion of the money being set aside to the children born after the cutoff date.

Titus Frenchman said that the Elder's discussed at the meeting today that they would like to see the money distributed to the programs that exist, but that the Elder's be included somehow.

Wayne adjourned the meeting at 7:20pm.