The Trust Board of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, February 22, 1010 at the East Room in the Nowata Public Library. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chairman Raymond M. Cline. Members present at roll call included Rusty Brown, Chet Brooks, Raymond Cline, Bill Hatch, Doyle Hayes, Verna Crawford. Absent was Wayne Stull for medical reasons. Present in the audience was Tilley Dewey and Annette Ketchum arrived at 3:30 p.m. Tribal employees present were Mary Jo Peterson and Marilyn Cole. Invocation was given by Chet Brooks.

Minutes of the November 12, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Rusty Brown, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor. One abstain, Doyle Hayes.

Treasurers’ report was given by Mary Jo Peterson. She reviewed the December and January reports with members. The Arvest management report showed some improvement in January. The OTFM reports also showed improvement. The tribe has applied for an indirect cost rate. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report pending audit was made by Rusty Brown, seconded by Bill Hatch. Motion carried with all in favor.

Committee Reports

Cultural Preservation was given by Chet Brooks. He stated that the Xmas party held in December was a success. He also reported on the stomp dance held last weekend in support of the American Cancer Society was attended by approximately 150 people. Rusty Brown is working on the right of way for access to Eagle Ridge at Copan Lake. This needs to be turned into the Army Corps of Engineers by June 31. He will have this for the Council review at the next meeting, March 15. Chet then reviewed the meeting with the humanities’ council in Missouri about a museum exhibit in Marble Hill Missouri. He also stated that the expenses of the trip were picked up by the museum. Mary Jo showed the board members a picture of the quilt exhibit at the Bartlesville History Museum. The quilt was donated to the tribe and is on loan to the museum.

Land Management was given by Rusty Brown. He stated that the minutes of the meetings will be forthcoming. They are looking at getting a student for architectural design for the complex, getting bids for lawn care, and looking at doing something for the local cemeteries.

Education was given by Verna Crawford. She stated the committee met January 25 and approved the Spring scholarships, some school supply vouchers and education and athletic assistance application.

Community Service was given by Raymond Cline. He stated the committee is approving applications that are complete and fall within our guidelines and referring those we cannot assist to other agencies.
Reinvestment has not had a meeting.

Economic Development was not given as no chair was present.

Tribal Operations was given by Doyle Hayes. He stated the committee has not met, but just normal expenses have been expended. He stated that there is a nice carry over balance.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business

Bill Hatch discussed the previous motion made by the Trust Board concerning the trust funds due to the tribe from previous land claims. Motion that any resolution in the past that suggested or permitted the Trust Board to release and funds pending or owed will stay with the Trust Board and will not be automatically transferred to the Tribal Council or DEA was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Chet Brooks. Lengthy discussion followed. Bill then withdrew his motion, second by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor. Motion to go into executive session was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor. Meeting went into executive session.

After executive session motion to direct Chet Brooks to look into the personnel matter discussed in executive session was made by Rusty brown, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor.

Motion to authorize Chairman Cline to hire an attorney with Indian Law experience to represent the Trust Board was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Chet Brooks. Discussion of how to pay the expense followed. Motion then carried with all in favor.

Chet requested a clarification as to the amount a committee can spend before approval of the Trust Board is necessary. $600 with documentation of expenditure. Motion to pay Jim Rementer for travel to Hawaii to speak at a language conference, $400 to Bruce Pearson to attend a language conference with Jim Rementer was made by Chet Brooks, motion died due to lack of second. Motion to pay Jim Rementer $400 for the trip to Hawaii was made by Chet Brooks, seconded by Rusty Brown. Motion fail three no, two yes.

Meeting then adjourn.