

**Delaware Tribe of Indians
Delaware Trust Board
Monday, May 2 2011
Delaware Child Development/Resource Center
Minutes--- Approved 6.6.2011
Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Council Secretary**

Chairman Wayne Stull called the Delaware Trust Board meeting of May 2, 2011 to order at 4:10 p.m.

Titus Frenchman gave the invocation.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll, members present were: Chairman Wayne Stull, Assistant Chairman Chet Brooks, Treasurer Teri Jo Aaroe, Secretary Verna Crawford, member Tom Moore. Member Bill Hatch and Joe Brooks absent.

Crawford reported that she had received an email dated Monday, May 2, 2011 at 11.25 a.m. from Bill Hatch. The message was that Bill was having oral surgery on Monday and would not be at the meeting. Chet Brooks relayed a message from Joe Brooks requesting that his absence be unexcused because he was away on personal business.

Chairman Stull welcomed guests, asking if anyone would care to address the council.

Chet Brooks introduced Lanny Creech, Cris and Gwen Klinger from the Idaho Delaware.

Guests present were: Cris L. Klinger, Gwen Klinger, Lanny B. Creech, John Sumpter, Bruce Martin, Nathan Young, Homer Scott Jr., Chief Paula Pechonick and Janifer Brown

Verna Crawford moved to accept the agenda. Seconded by Tom Moore.

Motion carried with four (4) yes.

Tom Moore moved to approve the minutes of April 18, 2011 with corrections. Seconded by TJ Aaroe. (No discussion).

Motion carried with three (3) yes and one (1) abstention (Chet Brooks)

Verna Crawford moved to approve the Treasurer's report pending audit. Seconded by Tom Moore. (Note: January 2011 Financial report was in packet).

Wayne Stull stated he had spoken with Jade (accounting) and was assured that the financials for February, March and April would be up to date by the next Trust Board meeting.

Tom Moore said that he would be working with Jade and help streamline the report.

Motion carried with two (2) yes and two abstentions (Tom Moore and TJ Aaroe, both stating that they had not been on the board at that time).

Reports:

1. **Land Management:** Wayne Stull, Chairman, Chet Brooks, Vice Chair, members Tom Moore, Nancy Sumpter and Anita Mathis. The committee decided the meetings could be held by conference call. Committee members could use the phone at Tribal Headquarters for the calls. Cemetery care was addressed. The Tribe owns one cemetery in Copan. Tom Moore had been directed to research the possibility of taking over the Delaware Cemetery north of Dewey. Wayne asked for anyone with

- something to say regarding the cemeteries be present at the next Trust Board meeting. The mowing will continue as is presently contracted. (Written report in packet)
2. **Reinvestment:** Bill Hatch, Chair, Wayne Stull, Vice Chair. No activity reported.
 3. **Economic Development:** Tom Moore, Chair, Wayne Stull, Vice Chair, Jenifer Pechonick, Secretary, members Bruce Martin and Chet Brooks. The meeting will be held by conference call every two weeks. Tom will be sitting down with Jade (accounting) to work on streamlining the financials and budgets. Tom presented a list of possible enterprises the Committee may be able to implement. Next meeting will be May 3, 2011 (as stated in report). (Written report in packet)
 4. **Community Services:** Verna Crawford, Chair, Joe Brooks, Assistant Chair, members Teri Jo Aaroe, Daryl Glenn, Chet Brooks and Lacey Harris. The Committee met on Monday, April 11, 2011. Regular meetings will be on the second Monday of each month. Seven tribal members have been assisted since January 1st. One was a burial, two for eyeglasses, two with prescriptions and two for medical assistance. (Written report in packet)
 5. **Cultural Preservation:** Chet Brooks, Chair Teri Jo Aaroe, vice chair, members Paula Pechonick, Jan Brown, Kenny Brown, Jenifer Pechonick, Anita Davis, John Sumpter, Titus Frenchman, Bonnie Thaxton, Jim Bo Hammon , and new member Bruce Martin. Committee donated \$500 to Delaware PowWow held each Memorial Weekend to help with painting, repairing bleachers and general pre-PowWow preparations. The committee has been contacted by the owner of the land next to Eagle Ridge ceremonial grounds regarding a right of way to the grounds. The right of way should be forth coming by the end of May.
 6. **Education:** Verna Crawford, Chair, Tom Moore, vice chair, members Joe Brooks, Teri Jo Aaroe, Daryl Glenn, Chet Brooks and Lacey Harris. The Committee met on Monday, April 11, 2011. Regular meetings will be on the second Monday of each month, as needed. The committee will meet when there are applications for assistance to be processed. The busy times for the committee is in August when request for scholarships, school supply vouchers and other assistance is higher. February is another busy time for spring scholarship awards. Fourteen tribal members were assisted. Six were spring scholarships, three education assistance, two athletic assistance, one driver's education assistance and two vocational assistance. Next meeting is set for May 9, 2011. (written report in packet).
 7. **Tribal Operations:** Joe Brooks, Chair, Wayne Stull, vice chair. (no report).

Chief Pechonick questioned the committee chairmanship. She noted that in the past each Trust Board member chaired one committee and co-chaired another. Chairman Wayne Stull stated committee appointments were up to the discretion of the Board. Tom Moore commented that he felt, in the case of Education and Community Services, both committees are closely related and experience is essential.

Unfinished Business:

Chairman Stull noted that he has not received notice from Daryl Glenn regarding chairing the Election Committee. He will have that information at the next meeting.

John Sumpter presented a proposed annual budget and request for funding for the Veterans Committee the total is \$6,000. Titus Frenchman presented a proposed annual budget and request for funding for the Elders Committee the total is \$8,000.

Chet Brooks moved to approve funding one half of both the Veterans and Elder Committee budgets as can be justified in committee guidelines and money available. Seconded by Teri Jo Aaroe.

It was noted that funding of these committees is both a tribal and trust responsibility. Thus funding would need to come from both entities.

Motion carried with four (4) yes.

New Business:

Chairman Stull reported a presentation had been made recently by a group, Nations Group Advisors regarding investing and handling our Trust money for us. Currently Arvest Bank is our investment group. They will be requested to make a similar presentation. The Board will look at both and make an informed decision regarding our investments.

Verna Crawford informed those gathered that the Southern Plains Indian Housing Association will be meeting May 11-15, 2011 at the Hard Rock Hotel in Catoosa, OK. Workshops will be presented on Board of Commissioners Training, basically how to run a meeting and NAHASDA Basics—the regulations Indian Housing Authorities operate. Registration is \$25 and may be done on site. Tribal leaders are encouraged to attend.

Chairman Stull adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.