

**Delaware Tribe Trust Board**  
**Monday, March 12, 2012**  
**Delaware Community Center**

*Respectfully submitted by Lacey Harris*

Call to Order: 4:14pm

Invocation: TJ Aaroe

Roll call: Members present Chet Brooks, Joe Brooks, TJ Aaroe, DeAnn Ketchum, John Sumpter, and Verna Crawford. Absent Wayne Stull.

Guests: Dee Ketchum, Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Nancy Sumpter, Jan Brown, Chief Pechonick, Greg Brown, Titus Frenchman, Annette Ketchum, Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa, Earnest Tiger, Tribal Manager Curtis Zunigha, Jenifer Pechonick, Jade Johnson, Lacey Harris, Jack Tatum, and Cy Hughes.

Joe Brooks makes a motion to give Wayne Stull an unexcused absent. DeAnn seconded, motion passed 3 yes, 1 no.

Acting Chair Chet Brooks welcomes guests.

Titus Frenchman mentions a dinner and dance March 17th. The dinner will be at 6:30, dance starting at 7:30, 9:30 close.

Chet Brooks entertains a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Verna Crawford makes the motion, John Sumpter seconded. All in favor and passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

John makes a motion to approve minutes with corrections. TJ seconded. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 abstain.

**Treasurers Report**

Chet calls for the Treasurer's report.

Joe makes a motion to table the financials until the next meeting. John seconded. All in favor and passed.

Discussion: Charles Randall mentions to the Trust Board, if they have not received a board packet in prior days to the meeting, to call the office.

Joe Brooks calls to the Trust Board to reprimand Chairman Wayne Stull for going over the \$600.00 limit that can be spent with out the Boards approval. (Breaking document)

Verna states she will look back at the minutes as she recalls approving Wayne to go to RES.

Joe Brooks makes a motion to no longer accept poll votes by the Trust Board to approve expenses, but only extreme emergencies by poll vote. John seconded, all in favor and passed.

**Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business

**Programs Report**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

TJ Aaroe makes a motion to drop the elder age limit to 60. Eyeglass assistance will still remain at 55. Verna seconded, all in favor and passed.

Titus did bring this issue to the Elder Committee, and the committee did agree 60 would be appropriate. Titus mentions there are not enough programs to help the age between early retirement and elder. The age 55 would help more elders. Joe Brooks takes a vote with the guest with their response on changing the elder age to 60. The guest agreed with 60 as the age. Discussion: Annette Ketchum asks if the committees still have the power to make judgment calls? Verna agrees yes if the committee had to do that they would. Chet Brooks mentions the committees have the power to approve anything under \$600.00.

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Earnest Tiger states he went to RES on Feb 27th-March 1st. Topics were International Energy, Trade, and Small business 8(a) certification. SEI was introduced to Tecta America and he will be sending them information on the Delaware Tribe. SEI had an overwhelming response at RES. The marketing that was done for SEI was worthwhile. The information has been sent to the Oklahoma State Bank and awaits approval. Dee Ketchum asked who went to RES to discuss SEI and 8(a) certification. Earnest replies that himself, Wayne Stull, Chief Paula Pechonick and Lesa Steele attended RES. Dee also asked what information is needed to guarantee the loan and who will run the company. Earnest states that it is a BIA loan guarantee and the company operator now will stay on under a five-year contract. Charles Randall asks what is the goal for the next month. Earnest reports the goal is to own the business in 30 to 45 days.

#### **EDUCATION**

2nd Monday of the month at 2:00 the committee will meet again. The Committee approved the money for the Veterans and Elders.

Joe makes a motion to go into executive session. DeAnn seconded all in favor and passed.

5:26pm. Executive session begins.

5:52pm. The Trust Board is back in session.

#### **New Business**

Joe makes a motion for the Trust Board to receive DEC and DEA financials and business plans from Earnest Tiger within 60 days, because Economic Development pays ½ of his salary. John seconded, motion passed with 1 no (Verna Crawford), 4 yes (Chet Brooks, Joe Brooks, DeAnn Ketchum and TJ Aaroe).

#### **Other Business**

No other business

Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm.