Delaware Tribe of Indians
Delaware Trust Board Minutes
April 7, 2014
Delaware Community Center
Minutes--- Approved
Respectfully submitted by Verna Crawford, Trust Board Secretary

Chairman Chet Brooks called the September Trust Board meeting to order on April 7, 2014 at 4:05 p.m.

Verna Crawford gave the prayer.

Secretary Verna Crawford called roll, those present were Chairman Chet Brooks, Mary Watters, Joe Brooks, John Sumpter, Homer Scott and Secretary Verna Crawford.

Chairman Brooks greeted the guests and asked if anyone would like to address the Trust Board.

Guests present were Charles & Mary Randall, Chief Paula Pechonick, Mike Taylor, Sandi Jamison, Annette Ketchum, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Jim Grinter, Steve & Carolyn Rowe, Priscilla Mason, Donald Mason, G. R. Watters, Janifer Brown, Cy Hughes, Curtis Zunigha, Greg Brown.

Approve Agenda

John Sumpter moved to approve the agenda. John Sumpter seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

John Sumpter moved to table the minutes of March 10 and special meeting of March 31, 2014. Nicky Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer John Sumpter reported as of January 31 the Fund total was $4,042,000 up from $4,015,000 in the previous report.

Committee Reports

Community Services Committee: Acting Chair Verna Crawford

Chairman Crawford did not have a report. She stated she would have a report for February and March at the next meeting. The next committee meeting will be Monday, April 14, 2014.

Cultural Preservation Committee: Chair Chet Brooks

Meets the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6 p.m. in the Social Services Conference Room. Chet Brooks reported that the date for the Language classes have been changed to the second, third and forth Mondays of each month at 6 p.m. instead of on Sunday.
Jack Tatum, Levi Randoll and Chet Brooks gave about an hour-long presentation on Delaware Warriors after the Elders meeting on Monday, April 7, 2014.

Janifer Brown reported that crafts/sewing held on Tuesday starting at 5:30 p.m. alternate with the Drum session. The next Drum session will be held on April 15, 2014 starting at 6p.m., than every other week after that.

**Joe Brooks** requested to go back to the Treasurer’s report before the next committee report.

**Joe Brooks** moved to approve the Treasurer’s report for February 2014 pending audit. Verna Crawford seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Joe commented that the break down of the common costs shared by each committee was very helpful.

**Education Committee: Chair Nicky Michael**

Before giving her committee report Nicky informed everyone she is working with the Delaware Nation on an ANA Language Preservation grant. This grant will also benefit the Delaware Tribe. She requested everyone to complete the survey that was past around this will help show community involvement.

The Education Committee met on Monday, March 10, 2014. There were 3 Vo-tech applications. The next meeting will be Monday, April 14, 2014 at 1 p.m.

**Elder Committee: Chair Mary Watters**

Chet Brooks called on Mary Watters for the Elders committee report. He congratulated the Committee members for hosting very good meetings and activities for elders.

Mary stated the Elders Committee met at 1 p.m. April 7, 2014. Elders will be visiting nursing homes on April 15.

Mary noted that the elders are participating in chair exercises. She asked if anyone would like to get out of the chairs to exercise. Mary suggested line dancing as a fun way to exercise. There was no decision made, but feedback was requested.

Charles Randall has the rails almost ready for the Veteran’s photos to be placed back on the wall and adding more pictures. The Elders Committee, Delaware War Mothers and Veteran’s Committee will unveil the Wall of Veterans on April 25.

Later in April Elders will attend the Muskogee Azalea Festival.

Jim Rementer presented a language lesson on Lenape for months and seasons.

Jack Tatum, Levi Randoll and Chet Brooks make a presentation on Delaware Warriors at the meeting on April 7, 2014.
Reinvestment Committee: Chair John Sumpter

John Sumpter reported a meeting with Arvest representatives who suggested a few different ways we could change our investment strategy. One was an Endowment type feature. Would bring in more income, but would be a little more risky. Action has not been taken as of today. Meets at least quarterly.

Tribal Operations Committee: Chair Joe Brooks

Joe Brooks reported he had met with Jean Lewis, CFO and authorized the funds allocated to Tribal Operations Committee be transmitted to the Tribe. Meets quarterly.

Veterans Committee: Chair Kenny Brown, Vice Chair Homer Scott

Homer Scott reported the Committee meets quarterly, the next meeting will meet in May. The Delaware Color Guard, a sub-committee of the Veteran’s Committee, has been invited to several powwows.

Unfinished Business

Verna Crawford moved to approve Resolution 2014-02 Changing the investments from 40% stocks and 60% bonds to 60% stocks and 40% bonds. Draw down not to exceed 4% of the trust earnings. Joe Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried seven yes.

New Business

Joe Brooks moved to approve Resolution 2014-01 Authorizing persons to obtain information, authorize disbursement and provide investment instructions to the Office of Trust Fund Management. Homer Scott seconded the motion.

Joe Brooks moved to hold the next meeting on May 5, 2014 at the Delaware Community Center, in Bartlesville. Homer Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried with seven yes.

Joe Brooks announced that he would not be at the May meeting and that his absence would be unexcused.

Chairman Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.