



# DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

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TRUST BOARD MONTHLY MEETING  
August 19, 2020

Minutes respectfully submitted by Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski, Trust Board Secretary

## **Call to Order**

2:23 the regular monthly meeting of the Trust Board was called to order by Chairperson Michelle Holley.

## **Prayer**

Invocation lead by Chief Chet Brooks in Lenape and English.

## **Roll Call**

Secretary Crystal Dombrovski called roll. Present were Michelle Holley, Chairwoman, Roger Stewart, Vice Chairman, Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski, Secretary, Joe Brooks, Treasurer, Kay Anderson and John Thomas members. Member Bonita McGrew absent. Quorum established. Guests: Chief Brooks is in attendance.

Motion made by R Stewart to approve agenda. Motion seconded by J Brooks. All in favor. Motion carries.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by R Stewart to accept the minutes of last meeting. Motion seconded by C Thaxton-Dombrovski. All in favor, motions carries.

## **Reports**

Financial report given by Treasurer J Brooks

J Brooks moved to table the financial report till next month. Motion seconded by R Stewart. All in favor. Motion carries.

### **Committee Report**

Community Services: 1 burial approved for \$750 in all of July and August. On August 2, 2020 the Community Services Committee approved 72 COVID assistance applications at \$500 apiece. On August 14, 31 applications for \$500 apiece were approved for a total of \$51,000.

Elders Committee report by K Anderson – no meeting this month. The Committee still has Dorothy Jackson's blanket. Kay to get in touch with Kenny Brown to see if visitation is allowed. Mr. Woods' birthday party was cancelled at the American Legion and was rescheduled at the Highway Café. Approximately 60 people were in attendance for his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party. Mr. Woods flew 73 combat missions as a fighter pilot in WWII.

Cultural Preservation Committee Poll votes: 1. the regular schedule committee meeting for the committee will be Monday July 6. Do you vote to have a meeting or not to have a meeting? The vote was unanimous NO, not to have a meeting. 2. With the unknown progress of the coronavirus, do you vote YES to have Delaware days in late September or do you vote NO not to have Delaware days this year? The vote was unanimous NO, not to have Delaware Days.

Daryl Glenn, Education Committee chairman submitted his resignation. R Stewart volunteers to chair education committee. J Brooks makes motion to appoint R Stewart to chair Education Committee. 5 in favor. J Thomas abstains. Motion carries.

Motion made by J Brooks to approve committee reports. Seconded by R Stewart. All in favor. Motion carries.

### **Unfinished Business**

C Thaxton-Dombrovski brings up the ongoing need for a joint Trust Board Tribal Council meeting. M Holley to send an email to TC to schedule a date to meet.

### **New Business**

M Holley states it is time to reassess our stocks and if we want to reinvest or stay with what we have. M Holley suggests we do not make a decision now until we can consult with Arvest and become more aware of options so we can make an informed decision. C Thaxton-Dombrovski moves to table this decision J Thomas seconds motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

J Brooks states the authorized signatures for the Trust Board Accounts at Arvest are not correct. M Holley is to email Arvest to correct the situation.

C Thaxton-Dombrovski requests permission from the Trust Board in the interest of Cultural Preservation to write a letter to Harvey Bluewolf and the Burlington County News to inform them that the Sand Hill Lenape and the Sand Hill Lenape and Cherokee are not a sovereign tribe and are not affiliated with the sovereign nation of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. C Thaxton-

Dombrovski moves to write these letters. Motion seconded by J. Brooks. All in favor. Motion carries.

**Set the Time, Date and Location of Next Meeting**

J Brooks moves the next meeting of the Delaware Trust Board be September 16 at 2:00pm at Tribal Headquarters. C Thaxton-Dombrovski seconds motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

R Stewart moves to adjourn. C Thaxton-Dombrovski seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 3:02pm.

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Crystal Thaxton-Dombrovski, Secretary