South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council

March 10th, 2021 1-3 PM

Location: Zoom (Virtual)

Participants:

Jolene Arrow

Emma Jean Blue Earth

Lisa Bordeaux-Taken Alive

Charles Cuny

Jim Curran

Megan Deal

Cherie Farlee

Everall Fox

Sherry Johnson

Karyl Knudson

Cheryl Medearis

Janice Minder

Angel Lee for Whitnee Pearce

Sarah Pierce

Ann Robertson

Kay Schallenkamp

Jacqueline Sly

Gail Swenson

*Fred Osborn*

*Dave Flute*

*Nicole Schneider* Guests:

Urla Marcus, Director of American Indian Studies, BHSU

Joe Moran, SD DOE

Dorothy Aguilera-Black Bear, SD DOE

The meeting was called to order by Director Osborn at 1 PM.

Approval of agenda: Motion to approve the agenda as written by Cheryl Medearis, seconded by Cherie Farlee. A voice vote was taken, and the motion carried.

Approval of January 29th Minutes: There were no errors. Motion by Jacqueline Sly to approve minutes as written, seconded by Gail Swenson. A voice vote was taken, and the motion carried.

Agenda Item: Director Osborn gave a Wookiye Teacher Project update. The teachers continue to attend monthly meetings to support their efforts. OIED will host a two-day meeting with the teachers over the summer to segue into the third year of the project. Director Osborn will request input from the IEAC for the selection of a fourth pilot school.

Agenda Item: Joe Moran gave a Bright Spots Project update. The Native American Needs Assessment will be disseminated by the end of the school year.

Agenda Item: Joe Moran and Dorothy Aguilera-Black Bear gave a NAAS Grant Evaluation Report update.

New Business: SDCL § 1-54-11 & 12 and the effects on the IEAC. Director Osborn gave an overview of the history of the OIED, including changes to code and their impacts on the mission and scope of the IEAC’s work.

Council members discussed the upcoming Social Studies Standards Review and proposed Civics and History curriculum development. There was consensus on ensuring that the history and perspectives of the Oceti Sakowin are included in the materials and standards that are developed. Director Osborn will be participating in the standards review process. Council members are encouraged to apply to participate in one of the Standards Review committees. It is unclear if or how the Civics and History initiative will proceed.

Motion to adopt the following resolution by Charles Cuny, seconded by Jim Curran, and carried via voice vote.

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council (SDIEAC) advises, under approved motion, that the Director of the Office of Indian Education take the following recommendation to the South Dakota Secretary of Tribal Relations, South Dakota Secretary of Education, and the South Dakota Office of the Governor:

1. Representatives approved by the SDIEAC serve in an advisory role for any monies budgeted for the South Dakota Civics and History update.
2. The demographics of any committee for the South Dakota Civics and History update should, at a minimum, reflect the demographics of the South Dakota student population.
3. Any committee for the South Dakota Civics and History must include native communities in the planned update.

The next meeting date will be determined via survey in either April or May.

Motion to adjourn by Loren Paul, seconded by Jacqueline Sly. The meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Schneider, Acting Executive Secretary

Fred Osborn

Executive Director, SD IEAC

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Date Approved by SD IEAC