

South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council Meeting
SD Department of Education
McKay Conference Room, Pierre, SD
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm CST
February 20, 2020

Present: Dr. Cherie Farlee, Ann Robertson, Jim Curran, Sarah Pierce, Karyl Knudson, Jay Perry, Secretary Dr. Ben Jones, Jolene Arrow, Cindy Young, Juliana White Bull-Taken Alive, Keri Dupris

Phone: Dr. Sherry Johnson, Cheryl Medearis, Whitnee Pearce, Lisa Bordeaux-Taken Alive, Gail Swenson, Everall Fox, Jacqueline Sly, Kay Schallenkamp, Mary McCorkle Representative

Excused: Megan Deal, Secretary Dave Flute

Guests: Cante Heart-NDN Collective, Kellen Returns from Scout-Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association, Dorothy Aguilera-Black Bear-DOE, Joe Moran-DOE, Deborah Bordeaux-GP TED's/COSA, Christopher Bordeaux-NDN Collective Advisory, Cheryl Whirlwind Soldier-RST Education Department, Nicole Schneider-Department of Tribal Relations Policy Analyst II

ABBREVIATIONS:

BIE: Bureau of Indian Education
BOR: Board of Regents
CTE: Career Technical Education
DACAC: Dakota Association for College Admission Counseling
DOE: Department of Education
DTR: Department of Tribal Relations
ESSA: Every Student Succeeds Act
IEAC: Indian Education Advisory Council
IES: Indian Education Summit
McREL: Midcontinent Research for Education & Learning
OSEU: Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings
RFP: Request for Presenter
TCU: Tribal College University
TIE: Technology & Innovations in Education Office

Juliana called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm CST and roll call was taken.

Approval of Agenda: Motion made to approve the agenda by Dr. Cherie Farlee and seconded by Sarah Pierce. 14 Yays and 0 Nays. Motion approved.

Approval of meeting minutes from December 20, 2019: Motion made to approve the meeting minutes by Jay Perry and seconded by Ann Robertson. 11 yays and 0 nays. Motion approved.

Introduction of meeting guests.

Advisory Council Recommendations addressed by Secretary Jones-Department of Education:

Recommendation One: **Continuation of the Paraprofessional Tuition Assistance Scholarship (Senate Bill 81)**

Secretary Jones said this could be considered for FY22 but will need more information to consider including it in appropriations.

Recommendation Two: Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings included in the South Dakota Accreditation Review
This topic will be discussed at the Board of Education Standards meeting. The Meeting will be in Mitchell CTE Room 10 (will get more details).

Recommendation Three: Professional Development for Schools with an emphasis on Trauma Informed Best Practices and Culturally Responsive Teaching

Secretary Jones will take this under advisement

Recommendation Four: Recruitment and retention of teachers and support staff which proportionately resembles the student population

Recruiting teaching staff that proportionately resembles student population is important. There was discussion about the Educators Rising program in Native American communities.

Dr. Jones highly recommended this program.

Introduction of McREL Team and Overview: Susan Shedly, back up lead; Deb Thorstenson, SD Lead for Regional Comprehensive Center; Joe Simpson, Director of Regional 11 Comprehensive Center. This team plans on meeting with the TEDs next week to get more familiar with each other.

OSEU Project Update: Juliana explained the Wookiye Project and what she has been working on. February 21, 2020 at 12:30 pm CST the first webinar will be broadcast, which will include: how to apply or participate, goals to implement and support teachers to use and sharing resources with DOE.

Juliana shared the following:

- SDINDIGENOUS.ORG is managed by TIE, and links will be available for Wookiye Project and the Webinar.
- The OIE will be working with REL, and that they will be at the next IEAC meeting. REL will be helping with assessment and PD recommendations.
- the collaboration with TIE that has resources and capabilities that the office doesn't have the technology for.
- "Making Camp" game that is available through 7th Generation Games and encouraged the use, because it is free.
- Juliana said that at the OSEC Meeting in Huron that Dr. Sherry Johnson suggested that there be Dakota topics be incorporated into the OSEUs.

OSEU School Search: Juliana asked for help from the council to distribute the information about the pilot school program and with identifying schools that are currently implementing OSEU. She was given a list of schools that are possibilities and that are implementing the OSEUs and Wooke Sakowin already. It is a possibility to visit these schools soon.

OSEU Teacher of the Year: Juliana made sure to mention that a rubric be developed. She also asked Jacque Sly, since she had some "experience," that she would be able to be a part of the selection committee. There were a few suggestions for incentives from the teacher of the year. It will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE: Each member must participate at least 3 times, and if you plan to be gone, please inform Juliana or Keri and they will count you as "excused" and it won't go against your attendance. In the future meetings, there will be a list available of who has not met the attendance requirement and could possibly be replaced as a member of the advisory council.

BIE ESSA FORM WAIVER/DOE CALL UPDATE: DOE & BIE are collaborating to communicate regarding the ESSA waiver that will impact Tribal Grant schools in South Dakota next school year. BIE is to contact DOE/OIE with which options they have and let us all know more. If there are any members that know more, please feel free to share with Juliana.

2020 Indian Education Summit: The Office will be sending out RFPs for speakers and Save The Dates to presenters and schools. Juliana will also be developing a planning committee, so if anybody is interested, please let her know. Also, if anybody has ideas for speakers, please inform Juliana as well.

NEW BUSINESS--DOE: Dr. Jones gave an update on the amended Senate Bill 66.

Cindy Young motioned to request a letter of support from DTR and OIE about SB 66. Jim Curran seconded, 13 yays and 0 nays, motion approved.

There then was a motion made by Ann Robertson for support from IEAC for SB 66, seconded by Dr. Cherie Farlee. There were 11 yays and 0 nays, motion approved.

Jim Curran then questioned about the Board of Regents tuition waiver, and it was decided the next meeting it will be discussed along with the budget plan for DTR-OIE.

It was motioned by Sarah Pierce for the next meeting date to be on April 23, 2020 at Wakpala School at 1 pm CST, seconded by Dr. Jones. Majority approved, none opposed, motion passed.

It was motioned by Sarah Pierce to adjourn the meeting at 3:26 pm CST, motioned by Dr. Jones. Majority approved, none opposed, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted by Keri A Dupris, IEAC Executive Secretary