



ICI Board of Directors  
Agenda for meeting on May 15, 2019  
At 6:00pm in the First Floor of Building

1. Invocation – given by Ms. Phyllis Stone
2. Roll call- meeting called to order at 6:23pm. Attendance sheet sent out to Board Members.
3. Approval of Agenda- no changes given
4. Approval of Minutes – April 17, 2019 Board of Directors Minutes – see handout
  - \*Amendments made to the Minutes: regarding #8 and the motion about the ICI Advisory Council.
5. New Board Member Nomination
  - a. Candidates and Elections- see attached Resumes of Candidates.  
Kevin A. made a motion to nominate Judy Vance to the ICI Board of Directors.  
Kris Ross seconded the motion.  
Ms. Judy Vance – gave information about herself and her dedication to the local Lincoln and Native American Community. She holds expertise in financial information and is an active member in the Lincoln Indian Club.  
Unanimous approval.  
\* She accepted her nomination and unanimous support.  
Ms. Nettie Grant-S. is no longer considered at this time for the Board.
  - b. Swearing In – Chairperson Baxter swore in Ms. Judy Vance at 6:32pm on the ICI Board of Directors.
6. IHS Program-
  - a. Update- Chairperson Baxter  
An update provided about the status of the IHS grant and the outcomes were positive. He gave an update about the continuation of the grant with the ICI. A re-application will be submitted to them. The 5<sup>th</sup> year of the FINAL year of the grant. A process is underway to regain the grant and go through it again.
  - b. Direction- the successful future of this grant is key. It will determine the direction of the ICI and regaining a lot of trust with the community. It is a “Youth Program” grant.  
A brief caveat about the urgency to finish the Internal Audit.  
The auditor is coming at 2pm on May 16, 2019.

7. WIOA Draw Down

- a. See attached report – Dir. Warrior submitted a report in her stead as she could not attend the meeting. The report is attached with the agenda at this meeting. There are remaining funds to close out with WIOA.
- b. Follow up- this is an on-going process between Chairperson Baxter and Dir. Warrior. This is in the process of being addressed.

~~8. Minutes for Past Meetings-Old Business~~

- a. Updates- Chairperson Baxter
- b. Assigned to

9. Grant Updates- Stephanie W.

- a. Letters of inquiry- see attachment that Dir. Wachter handed out. She presented the various types of grants that are available. She requested that she get approval from the Board of Directors. Chairperson Baxter recommended that Stephanie work with the Planning/Development Committee. Chair Baxter will take the lead on the grants development project to work with all the individuals involved.
- b. Other information- information given about the grant deadlines.
  - At this point, the priority will be given to the IHS deadline. Stephanie will make the deadlines very clear to the Board.
  - A clarification question was asked by Vice-Chair Abourezk about the possibility of youth programming.
  - Additional information provided by former Board Member Kirk Dombrowski that a 125,000 was drawn down in around July/August 2018 from the IHS grant. This started a lot of investigation into the grant and the processes at ICI.
  - The timeline is roughly from July 1, 2017 up until Fall 2019.
  - Nettie Grant-S. was given access to the DropBox so she can assist with the materials.

10. Committee Updates-

- a. Planning/Development-
- b. Finance/Adminin-
- c. Program Policy- Kris, Anitra & Stephanie got together to meet. The report submitted recommends the following:
  - Updates made to the By-Laws
  - Revisions to the By-Laws
  - Access to a Needs Assessment
- d. Building/Grounds- Sloan asked a question about the Volunteer Recognition Event.  
Dir. Yellow Robe clarified the question.

The possibility of a ICI 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event to take place on June 29<sup>th</sup>. A concern was raised about the possibility of working together.

June 29<sup>th</sup> 5pm until 1am.

Indian Club Pow-wow- Betty Vance made a request to host a pow-wow. August 2-4, 2019. The fee will be waived for the event.

Vice-Chair Abourezk inquired about the possibility of collaborating with the Indian Club on the pow-wow. Judy Vance stated that is a possibility.

Chairperson Baxter will create a group for the Board Members to communicate within each Committee.

11. ICI Advisory Council- community representatives-  
May 3<sup>rd</sup>- Taco Sale

The May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting will discuss the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event.

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> was the Volunteer Clean-Up Event.

Lincoln UNITES- Nebraska Museum of History, Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Fundraiser Letter- Clem sent out letters to local markets. Utilize the donations from Open Harvest. Pepe's Restaurant Fundraiser- a plate to promote the ICI. Tentatively looking at the first week of July.

All volunteers are welcome to assist with the efforts.

Sloan is looking for ways to recruit volunteers. (Tracy Anderson).

12. Financial Updates-

a. Debts and other financial matters-

The auditor will be at the ICI on May 16, 2019 at 2:00pm.

Pinnacle Bank has a lawsuit against the ICI now. Chairperson Baxter is working hard to address the issues.

He set up a repayment plan with Wells Fargo.

b. Possible Sale of the ICI Van- table the item until next meeting.

13. New Business-

a. Stephanie W. formerly stepped down as the Treasurer.

Kevin A. made the motion to nominate to appoint Judy V. as the Treasurer.

Kris Ross seconded the motion.

Unanimous approval.

b. Tax filing for non-profits. – update from Dr. Kirk. He filed the IRS 990 for the ICI today.

c. Collaborative work with Dr. Margaret Jacobs at UNL and the opportunity to do an event. An organization at the Univ. of Colorado at Boulder- there is a script to

go through various roles. The impact of colonization and Manifest Destiny/Westward Expansion on Native American/Indigenous Peoples. Imagery and other elements were used to illustrate the impact of colonialism. The perpetuation of historical trauma on modern day Natives and its modern day implications (Truth & Reconciliation). Vice Chair Abourezk shared insight about the power and healing of this workshop.  
Paula Palmer- will host a workshop on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Details to follow.

- d. Vision Maker Film Festival- the ICI is being considered to host films. There are several other organizations involved with this process. A question was asked about concessions and who would sell them.

#### 14. Public Comment-

Kris Ross: A recognition was suggested to honor those who have given gifts/donations to the ICI.

Standing Bear Scholarship Committee- only one student applied to the scholarship from LPS. – Phyllis Stone raised concerns and awareness about it.

Secretary Yellow Robe shared updates about the possibility of bringing the film Blood Memory to Lincoln in conjunction with NelCWA.

Another clarification question was raised about debts and the possibility of repayment options and other updates. – Clem Crazy Thunder

Dr. Kirk clarified the debts. Dir. Rupp clarified the situation with Many Oaks and more information was given to its current standing. The ICI Board of Trust- the board is currently waiting for members to join it. Four vacancies to be filled. The Trust has no bank account and income. Its sole job is to maintain the best interest of the ICI. The properties are going to be eligible in two years for all the investors.

ICI Housing Trust Corp.

Some updates given from Dr. Kirk

Current Board Members:

Kirk Dombrowski

Georgiana Ausan (ICI Trust Board Appointed)

Renee Baier (ICI Trust Board Appointed)

Steve Peregrine (ICI Trust Board Appointed)

Frank Bearkiller

Marshall Prichard

1 open seat – currently as Earl Pilcher resigned.

15. Date and Time of Next Meeting- **June 19, 2019**

Motion to adjourn, Dir. Yellow Robe

Second by Dir. Baxter.

Unanimous approval

### **ICI Board of Directors- To Do**

Grant Priority

ICI Building Grants

Stephanie W. will begin work on the grants exclusively.

Air conditioning, roof, structural.

Follow up on the Fundraiser letter. (Susan A.)

Follow up on the filing of the official By-Laws

File with the Secretary of State

Update the Board Member List and re-file.