

ICI Board of Directors  
Minutes for meeting on October 15, 2019  
Rose Room at the Indian Center

1. Roll call and Invocation

Called to order at 6:10.

Roll Call:

Present: Judy, Jeff, Larry, Sloane, Kris, Deveron, Kirk

Excused: Colette, Kevin

2. Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes – September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Board of Directors Minutes – see handout.

Sloane moved to approve

Kris second the motion.

Unanimous approval.

4. Board Members Update

December election committee: Larry created a nominator form which was approved with minor changes. A former candidate form was provided by Judy and Larry agreed to create a candidate form using this model which he will work on and get out via email in the following week. As soon as this is done, it will be shared on Facebook, the Indian Center website, and the Indian Center. On November 9 (30 days prior to election) there will be an official call for candidates. Nominations will close on November 25 (15 days prior to election) and potential candidates must accept the nomination by November 30 (10 days prior to election). Elections and voting will be held on Tuesday, December 10 from 8 am to 8 pm at the Indian Center. A community dinner will be held that evening and results of the election will be announced.

5. Board Insurance policy update

Deveron emailed policies to all board members to show that coverage is in place. There are three policies of 148 pages. Larry is able to look it over to recap exclusions. Everyone is encouraged to look these over.

6. S.W.O.T exercise

The table in the email Larry sent will be done at the next meeting. Due to time, Larry moved to table this item to present at the next meeting so documents could be read through to create a foundation for a SWOT exercise and for creating an action plan. Jeff seconded motion. Unanimous approval.

7. Halloween Party Event with Felecia Welke

Proposal was submitted by Felecia with a solid plan and will promote the ICI brand for positive exposure. Kris motioned that we approve. Judy seconded. Unanimous approval.

8. ICI housing trust board members and balloon loan approval

"The ICI Board of Directors approves IC Trust President to pursue the terms of a mortgage loan to replace the current mortgage loan on the Many Oaks Apartments, and return the terms of that new loan for review by the Board at its next meeting."

Kirk shared the properties the Indian Center owns and explained the restrictions of these properties as well as the balloon payment to go forward and Kirk will look for a loan and bring back the numbers for approval. Board needs to appoint four current board members to be on the Indian Center Housing Board, who have meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, every other month. The board needs to put this on our agenda for the next meeting to vote on these board members. The board passed a resolution to empower Kirk to talk to the banker to pursue these terms, as stated above.

There was a motion by Sloane to approve Kirk's resolution to talk to bankers and appoint the Indian Center Board of Directors at or before the next meeting. Kris seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

9. ICI grounds/ building update and concerns

Five tons of gravel was ordered to fill in where the shed is. The urinal needs fixed. Window estimate has not been given yet so Sloane plans to move forward if necessary. Sloane submitted a report. ICI hosted 17 events in September and 12 events in August. Larry fixed the freezer.

10. New Business

Nettie and Deveron are working on Indian Health Services- IHS- grant and it is approved, so work will begin to hire a coordinator and manager. This is for meth and suicide prevention and is old money plus some new money to be used in this final year. Kris shared Program and Policy committee notes. They included 1) need for forum of grievances, 2) need a copy of policies and procedures, 3) every board member should look over bylaws and submit any edits or revisions which are to be posted for ten days with written notice prior to altering bylaws, 4) a vote may take place at next meeting with any proposed changes. The dated 2/22/18 bylaws do not contain a signed copy from Myron/Irene. This must get updated and a signed copy of the 2007 bylaws has been located. We need to determine the validity of most recent bylaws, such as the ones that were approved at the special meeting September 15. There is also a request for a community needs assessment. Has it been done? Is it completed? Do we have access to it?

Kris discussed a SAMSHA grant that the Indian Center could apply for with an agency like the Ponca office or Santee, which is 250,000 per year for 5 years for substance abuse and mental health. Deveron has also seen this grant and is interested.

Southeast Nebraska Native American Coalition (SENNAC) would like to continue second Friday celebrations at the Indian Center.

Cameras are set up and they will be hardwired in and one will be upstairs at \$3 per camera per month per year.

11. Old Business- ICI clean up

Sloane said 15-20 middle school and high school volunteers are interested to come and cleanup. Larry mentioned small community grants are available for cleanup, as well.

12. Public Comments

13. Next Board Meeting Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

14. Adjourned

Kris moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeff seconded the motion.

Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.



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