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Meeting of the Board Minutes

Location: AIC

December 16, 2021

6:00-8:00 pm CST

Recorded by Terry Cornell Jr.

Present: Melodi Serna (Executive Director), Chantay Moore (Chairman), Terry Cornell, Jr. (Secretary/Board Member), Lynn Alamilla (Board Member), Robin Niklinski (Board Member), David Morales (Board Member) and Norma Robertson (Board Member).

1. Call to Order at 6:18 PM by Chantay Moore (Chairman), quorum present
2. Opening Prayer- led by Chantay Moore
3. Agency Updates-
  - o Melodi talked about the Audio Overdose, Raging Film and Night of Poetry programs and explanation. She added AIC will be doing some exhibit space. Melodi spoke about several programs that were being put together by Ronnie Preston.
  - o Melodi talked about the opening of the kitchen and the blessing of the kitchen. Additional updates on Elder Room provided.
  - o Melodi further added about the hiring of Ronnie Preston, a San Carlos Apache. He has 30 years of cultural teaching experience. She said that he's a dancer, beader etc. See attached for additional information.
  - o Youth Council update was provided regarding the youth drum practice, bingo, UNITY conference, and other activities
  - o Additional information provided on AIC Program Updates October-December 2021 (Food is Medicine, Weekend w/ Michelle Reed), future programming and partnerships, and a report of grant funding and donations received since Dec 2020
4. Election/Annual Meeting-

- Chantay Moore talked about the upcoming election. Melodi added about forming an Election Subcommittee. Chantay, Lynn, Terry, and Norma volunteered to serve on that subcommittee.
  - Chantay Moore made a Motion for a save the date on March 19, 2022, for the election. Terry Cornell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed 6-0-0.
5. Approval of Minutes- August 2021
- Minutes were reviewed. Chantay motioned to approve minutes. Robin Niklinski seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0.
6. Legal update-
- Chantay Moore gave a quick legal update. Discussion.
7. Plumbing Update-
- Plumbing fixed in women's bathroom to curb outside of building
8. Adjournment- Chantay motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:00 pm, Norma seconded.