



# AMERICAN INDIAN CENTER

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## **AIC Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 21, 2020 6:00-8:00pm**

\*\*Please note that due to the current COVID-19 pandemic this Board meeting will take place via video conferencing. We understand that this situation is not addressed in our bylaws and therefore have made this decision based on the current public health crisis.

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Join by conference call only:

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1. Call to order, opening prayer
  - Chantay Moore, Melodi Serna, David Morales, Les Begay, Aaron Golding, Monica Rickert-Bolter, Heather Miller
  - At 6:06 pm with opening prayer by David
2. Review and approve March 2020 minutes
  - Les motions to approve meeting minutes, Chantay seconds, motion approved
3. ED Report, Financials
  - Staff returned to the Center as of Monday, April 20, 2020
    - Will follow pandemic safety standards and received donations of masks, sanitizers, etc.
    - Limited contact and higher health-risk staff will work from home
  - Received multiple grants
    - Paycheck Protection Program approved (2-month salary support and expenses).
    - Decolonizing Wealth Fund (\$5,000) provide cultural support and resources for the community.

- Native Voices Rising Fund (\$12,500)
  - The Center will become a Covid Response site from the Greater Chicago Food Depository (limited contact pick-up) and will deliver boxes every two weeks as necessary. Organizing with CAICC for tracking, communications, and outreach services.
  - \$500 emergency support grants will be available in the upcoming weeks and will be communicated once more information is available.
- Former board member Ashlee Pinto formed a nonprofit that made 100 meals available for pick-up or delivery for the Netflix Party on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - A Google doc database will be shared among CAICC to help with communications and organizing food/supply distributions and possibly create Elder boxes.
  - \$10,000 from Ho-Chunk office is still pending.
  - Need to assess when we will be able to have a fundraiser and powwow.
    - Fundraiser is dependent on Newberry Library's availability and possibly turning this into a GoFundMe or virtual event.
    - Powwow may need to be postponed or rescheduled for next year, pending on Chicago's safety protocols for large group. Individuals may need to reach out to venues or social distancing, a poll will be taken.
4. Committee Meeting times and dates, roles and responsibilities
    - Establishing three committees and each will meet before next board meeting.
      - Finance – Chantay (chair), David, Melodi.
      - Bylaws – Les (chair), Melodi, and Aaron.
      - Programs – Melodi (chair), David, and Monica. Possibly going back to social services, develop future programs and events that may correlate with pandemic.
  5. David suggests a Youth Town Hall, which may include Elders in future meetings. Determine hosting safeguards or parameters to be set in place to keep participants safe and comfortable.
  6. Adjourn
    - Chantay motions to adjourn, Les seconds, meeting ended at 7:17 pm.