

Indian Education Advisory Committee & Public Forum Minutes

Date: May 10, 2022 Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Zoom

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

Beth Hill

Marcie Lester

Shannon Johnson

Gerda Kosbruk

3. Introduction of Visitors/New Members

Isiah Lincoln

Bill Cornell

Kasie Luke

Harry Ricci

Laura Hylton

Becca Stenson

Evelynn Trefon

4. Ordering of Agenda – no changes
5. Approval of Consent Agenda - moved Marcie, 2nd Beth; approved
 - a. Previous Minutes –motion to approve 4/23/21 minutes - moved Beth, 2nd Gerda, approved
6. Invitation for Public Comment
 - a. Introductory Indian Ed information, Power Point, and Application
Power Point and application information shared – Laura
 - b. Public Comment
 - How many AFN participants to we fund to go to AFN? Believe it is based on student government participation. Has not occurred for several years due to COVID and scheduling conflicts with state testing.
 - Is gym night also included in Indian Education? It has in previous years, but is no longer.
 - BBNC developed a program for youth leadership, and all of our students were eligible to attend. Can this grant help offset some of the costs? That is something we

can put on our list for our next application cycle. Indian Education is a 5-year grant. Year 1 is when you develop your application for the 5-year cycle. Next year we will reapply and that is something that we can include in our next application cycle. We are in year 4 of our application cycle, and next year will be year 5. Next year we will be able to include other things in our application. SNAP meet cost \$68K of the \$114K available. SNAP meet funding does take a large portion of the available grant. Maybe that program will be more appropriate than AFN.

- Do we know if we are going to have AFN this year? They plan to have it at the Denaina Center in October.
- Do they have dates? October 20-22.
- Shannon suggested student government get involved to raise funds to attend events as she did in high school so that the responsibility for funding doesn't fall solely on the district.
- Evelynn-For future items, could we include a focus on native languages, if we could have a teacher come into the classroom and teach native languages for a week? I don't see this offered to our younger elementary kids. If there is a traveling art teacher to teach from preschool-12th grade that would be great. Thank you, those are wonderful suggestions. That is something that we can implement in the future.
- I see that we have instructional aids that this funding is used for. Could we invite them to in-service? They are really good teachers and have effective methodology that could be useful to the whole district. They have awesome curriculum resources. Bill – We have discussed bringing those individuals into new teacher induction to provide an orientation on living in our region and culture. Shannon suggested having the Indian Ed tutors engage with the younger population to spark their interest in language. Beth pointed out the preschool app which teaches language through the app with songs. Shannon added that they have volunteers that teach dance. Marcie suggested that the preschool app be shared with other teachers throughout the district. This can lead to community members and parent's interest to help teach the language and cultural activities.

7. New Business

Motion to accept the application - moved Shannon, 2nd Marcie; Approved

8. Miscellaneous

None

9. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Date

In April next year, after Part I closes and Part II becomes available

10. Adjournment moved Beth, 2nd Marcie; approved 9:57am

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