

Nez Perce Tribe  
Spring General Council  
Lapwai, Idaho  
May 3-5, 2018

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The meeting was called to order at 8:57am by Jennifer Oatman, Chairman

Color Guard: Wilford A. Scott – Commander

Wap Qa Quan Flag Song

Opening Prayer: Bill Picard – Chaplain

1. House Rules: Motion to approve and accept house rules Robert Kipp, second by Dallon Wheeler Sr.. Motion carried.
2. Agenda: Motion to approve and accept agenda Dallon Wheeler Sr., second by Melvin Wheeler Sr. to Motion carried.
3. Minutes: Motion to approve and accept minutes Susie Weaskus, second by Dallon Wheeler Sr.. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

4. Motion to approve and accept Resolution report Robert Kipp, second by Dallon Wheeler Sr.. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Chair Mary Jane Miles, Nez Perce Tribe Executive Treasurer, Shannon Wheeler, Auditors to be included.

5. Motion to go into Executive Session at 10:44am by Marilyn Bowen, second by Maple Stuivenga. Motion carried.
6. Motion to come out of Executive Session at 11:48am by Bill Picard, second by Allen Slickpool Jr. Motion carried.
7. Motion to recess for lunch by Kerman Greene, second by Dallon Wheeler Sr., motion carried. 11:50 am. Meeting called back to order at 1:11pm.
8. Motion to go into Executive Session at 1:12pm by Maple Stuivenga, second by Melvin Wheeler Sr. Motion carried.
9. Motion to come out of Executive Session at 2:45pm, second by Nancy Wheeler. Motion carried.
10. Orders of the day been called at 2:45pm.

11. Motion to accept report and excuse panel by Mary Jane Souther, second by Julian Matthews. Motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS

12. Executive Director Rebecca Miles, Executive Officer Kermit Mankiller
13. Motion to go into Executive Session at 3:31pm by Alene Powuakee, second by James Lawyer. Motion carried.
14. Motion to come out of Executive Session at 5:05pm by Melvin Wheeler Sr, second by Allen Slickpoo Jr. Motion carried.
15. Motion to accept report and excuse panel by Lee Bourgeau, second by Robert Kipp. Motion passed.
16. Recess for day at 5:09pm, Bill Picard, Chaplain closing prayer.

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Meeting called to order at 9am by Jennifer Oatman, Chairman.

Open Prayer: Bill Picard, Nez Perce Tribe Chaplain

#### EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS

17. Human Resource Subcommittee Chair Arthur Broncheau, Nii Mii Puu Health Board Chair Jon McConville, Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority Richard Arthur, Nez Perce Tribe Senior Citizen Advisory Board Chair Betty Kinser, Youth Council Representative Chloe Thompson.
18. Motion to go into Executive Session at 11:29am by Tina Bullock, second by Becky Simpson. Motion carried.
19. Recess for lunch at 11:52am, return from lunch with same panel at 1:09pm
20. Motion, to come out of Executive Session at 1:51pm by Maple Stuivenga, second by Nancy Wheeler. Motion carried.
21. **Resolution** to request Executive Director direct service programs to Single Application presented by Lee Bourgeau second by Maple Stuivenga. Resolution carried, #GC SP18-01.

22. **Resolution** to conduct Audits within the NiMiiPuu Health Authority, NiMiiPuu Health Board, Finance and Human resource departments presented by Connie Guillory, second by Susie Weaskus. Resolution carried, #GC SP18-02.
23. Motion to exclude all reporters from remaining General Council and have that restriction adopted into house rules, by Maurita Oatman, second by Kerma Greene. Motion Failed.
24. Motion to accept report and excuse panel by Mary Jane Souther, second by Dallon Wheeler Sr. Motion carried.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS**

25. Natural Resource Sub Committee Chair McCoy Oatman, Land Commission Chair Bill Picard, Fish & Wildlife Erik Holt, Utility Board Chair Loretta Halfmoon.
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27. Motion to accept report and excuse panel by Al Wheeler, second by Scherri Greene. Motion carried.
28. Motion to have Lottery drawing of the surplus vehicles with those members present, by Bill Warden Sr., second by Alene Powuakee. Motion failed.
29. Motion to recess for day at 5:43pm. Closing prayer Bill Picard, Chaplain.

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Meeting was called to order at 9:38am by Jennifer Oatman, Chairman.

Opening Prayer Bill Picard, Chaplain.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Budget & Finance Subcommittee Chair Shannon Wheeler, Enterprise Board Chair Gloria Greene,

30. Motion to go into Executive Session at 10:37am by Alene Powuakee, second by Casey Mitchell. Motion Carried.
31. Recess for lunch at 11:59am.
32. Called back to order at 1:12pm, still in Executive Session with panel.

33. Motion to come out of Execution Session at 3:15 by Al Wheeler, second by Angela Broncheau. Motion carried.
34. Motion to accept and excuse panel Al Wheeler, second Angela Broncheau. Motion passed panel excused.
35. **Resolution**, Stella Penney, second by James Lawyer. That Lottery proceeds be treated like Gaming Revenue, the Nez Perce Tribe Treasurer will research and report their findings where the funds since 2008 have been allocated, and that if such funds were not allocated into the Per Capita fund, NPTEC will give restituting funds back to the tribal membership. Resolution passed. #GC SP18-03.
36. **Resolution**, Mary TallBull, seconds Marris Rickman. The General Council does not approve of the purchase of the financially strapped Golf Course. NPTEC will cease any and all talks and negotiations for such purchase. Resolution failed.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARDS/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Law & Order Jessie Filkins, Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee chair Shannon Wheeler, Gaming Commission Chair Tonia Garcia, TERO Commission, and Athletic Commission.

37. Ballots arrive, Orders of the day called @4:29pm.
38. Motion to accept report and excuse the panel Sara Moffett second by Dallon Wheeler Sr. Motion carried.
39. Spring General Council Election results: Seat 1: Quincy Ellenwood 273 votes, Ferris Paisano III 378 votes, invalids 4. Ferris Paisano III successor Seat 1 Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee.
40. Spring General Council Election results: Seat 2: Mary Jane Miles 487 votes, Judy Oatman 175 votes, invalids 5. Mary Jane Miles successor Seat 2 Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee.
41. Spring General Council Election results: Seat 3: Samuel Penney 322 votes, Chantel Greene 328 votes, invalids 6. Chantelle Greene successor Seat 3 Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee.
42. Closing Prayer, retire colors at 7:18p.m.
43. Swearing in newly elected Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee members by Honorable Eva White.
44. Nez Perce Tribe Executive Reorganization results: Bill Picard nominates McCoy Oatman Chairman, Mr. Oatman accepts nomination, Casey Mitchell nominates Shannon Wheeler Chairman, Mr. Wheeler accepts nomination, Bill Picard motions to cease nominations second by Casey Mitchell. Nez Perce Tribe Executive Chair election results, McCoy Oatman 4 votes, Shannon Wheeler 5 votes, Shannon Wheeler, Chairman of Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee.

45. Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Vice Chairman Election. Casey Mitchell nominates McCoy Oatman Vice Chairman, Mr. Oatman accepts. Bill Picard motions to accept McCoy Oatman Vice Chair by acclamation, second by Mary Jane Miles. Mr. McCoy Oatman Vice Chairman Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee by acclamation.
46. Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Secretary Election. Arthur Broncheau nominates Casey Mitchell, Mr. Mitchell accept. McCoy Oatman motions to accept Casey Mitchel Secretary by acclamation second by Mary Jane Miles. Casey Mitchell Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Secretary by acclamation.
47. Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Treasurer Election. Bill Picard nominates Mary Jane Miles, Ms. Miles accepts, Arthur Broncheau nominates Elizabeth A Attao, Elizabeth A. Attao accepts. Bill Picard, motions to cease nominations second by Casey Mitchell. Mrs. Elizabeth A. Attao Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Treasurer.
48. Nez Perce Executive Committee Assistant Treasurer Election. Elizabeth A. Attao nominates Chantel Greene, Ms. Greene declines. Casey Mitchell motions Ferris Paisano III, Mr. Paisano accepts, Elizabeth A. Attao nominates Mary Jane Miles, Ms. Miles accepts. Bill Picard motions to cease nominations second by McCoy Oatman. Ms. Mary Jane Miles, Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Assistant Treasurer.
49. Nez Perce Executive Chaplain Election. Elizabeth A. Attao nominates Ferris Paisano III, Mr. Paisano accepts. Ferris Paisano III nominates Arthur Broncheau, Mr. Broncheau accepts. Bill Picard motions to cease nominations second by Mr. Casey Mitchell. Mr. Ferris Paisano III, Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee Chaplain.

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Shirley J. Allman, GC Secretary

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Jennifer Oatman, GC Chair

\*\*minutes may be subject to change

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Nez Perce Tribal General Council has been empowered to act for and on behalf of the Nez Perce Tribe, pursuant to the Revised Constitution and By-Laws, adopted by the General Council of the Nez Perce Tribe, on May 6, 1961 and approved by the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs on June 27, 1961; and

WHEREAS, access to services has been ongoing issue for decades; and

WHEREAS, Clients often are intimidated by the application process of our many programs and will just give up rather than seek the needed services; and

WHEREAS, these underserved community members become homeless, addicted to alcohol and drugs; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we request that the Executive Director direct that a single application be developed within a reasonable time frame, and

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Nez Perce Tribe General Council meeting in Spring Session, May 4, 2018 in the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center, Lapwai, Idaho, a quorum of its Members being present and voting.

BY:   
Shirley Allman, Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Jennifer D. Oatman, Chairman



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WHEREAS, the general assembly has gathered at the Spring General Council 2018 to discuss issues of grave concern regarding the operations of the NiMiiPuu Health Authority, NiMiiPuu Health Board and the impact the current operations has on the organization; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a financial audit is necessary to address issues in the Finance Department to determine if expenditures authored by the Finance Manager are appropriate, reasonable and necessary and benefits its tribal members and the organization; and

WHEREAS, the signature authority of the Finance Manager will be evaluated; and

WHEREAS, an audit of the salary and wages of the NiMiiHealth Authority employees to compare wages, education, experience, and longevity between non-tribal and Tribal employees; and

WHEREAS, the methodology for examining the Finance and Human Resources departments will identify the concerns stated by the tribal membership for outcomes that will improve the operations of the NMPH; and

WHEREAS, results of the audit will be shared with the NiMiiPuu Health Authority organization and the Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee every 30 days via email and/or written; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that audits for the NiMiiPuu Health finance and human resources departments will be completed within 90 days upon receipt from the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee with specific recommendations for change; and

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WHEREAS, According to the 2008 Class III Gaming Compact, made between the Nez Perce Tribe and the State of Idaho, Article 6.1, Idaho agrees to pay to the Nez Perce Tribe an annual fee equal to 12% of the total annual net sales by the Idaho State Lottery in the communities and their surrounding unincorporated trading areas; Ahashka, Craigmont, Culdesac, Kamiah, Kooskia, Lapwai Lenore, Nez Perce, Orofino, Peck Winchester and the area approximately three miles east of Lewiston On U.S. Hwy 12 representing Nez Perce Tribal Enterprises, and;

WHEREAS, According to the 2008 Class III Gaming Compact, Article 6.2, after ten years from the effective date of this Compact, the annual fee shall be 10%, and;

WHEREAS, According to the Explanation of Funding Sources of the Nez Perce Tribe, the Gaming Compact with the State of Idaho requires that the Tribe distribute 5% of such net income to local education programs, and the remaining income is divided by allocating 15% into a per capita distribution fund with 15% being retained by the Enterprises for economic development and expansion purposes, and;

WHEREAS, Currently, the General Fund revenue received are from agricultural leases (and crop share) on land held in Fee status, a portion of State of Idaho lottery tickets sold on the reservation, facilities rental, interest income, etc. make up the majority of the revenue sources, and;

WHEREAS, Lottery proceeds and the Gaming revenue are similar in how they are received, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Idaho Lottery proceeds will be allocated in the same manner as the Revenue Gaming Allocation and will no longer be 100% allocated to the General Fund (5% local education programs, 15% Economic Development, 15% Per Capita Distribution, 65% General Fund).

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the NPTEC Treasurer will research and report their findings of where the funds since 2008 have been allocated, and that if such funds were not allocated into the Per Capita fund, NPTEC will give restituting funds back to the tribal membership.

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