

# Nevada Indian Commission Indian Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

*November 2, 2022*  
Via ZOOM

Committee Member	Seat Filled	Present	Absent
Chair – Fawn Hunter	Washoe County School District	X	
Fredina Drye-Romero	Nevada Department of Education	X	
Delina Trottier	Native American Student Advocate Recruitment and Access Center Truckee Meadows Community College	X	
Vice Chair - Della Frank	Clark County Department of Education Coordinator II		X
Kari Emm	Specialist, Tribal Students College of Agriculture, Biotechnology & Natural Resources University of Nevada, Reno	X	
Lance West	Principal Schurz Elementary School	X	
William Bauer	Professor of History and Program Director Indigenous Studies, UNLV	X	

NIC Staff Present: Tammi Tiger, Commissioner, Sarina Nez, Office Coordinator

ATTENDEES: Emily Navarro, Chelsea O’Daye, Loni Romo, Melanie Smokey, Carlene Pacheco, Myrton Running Wolf

**I. Roll Call**

Chair Fawn Hunter – 11:03 am call to order, roll call, quorum established

**II. Invocation**

Fredina Drye-Romero gave the invocation.

**III. Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Hunter began introductions.

**IV. Public Comments**

William Bauer – 11/07/22 Future of ICWA event – flyer to come

Chelsea O’Daye – 12/11/22 ITCN Conference at Grand Sierra Resort

Delina Trottier – 11/09/22 TMCC film viewing “Warrior Woman” flyer to come

Kari Emm – Flyers to come URN Native American Heritage Month events

**V. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Review of November 2, 2022, Meeting Minutes. Fredina Drye-Romero made motion to approve minutes, Willy Bauer seconds; minutes approved.

**VI. Updating the Indian Education Strategic Plan (for Possible Discussion and Possible Action)**

- A. Chair Hunter opens discussion regarding survey questions. Notes that at the 10/24/22 Nevada Indian Commission Quarterly Meeting Chair Lathouris asked that the language in the tribal identification questions reflect “descendancy”. Chair Hunter also addresses in Job Title box there should be an area when “other” is selected to input what your occupation is.
- B. Myrton Running Wolf asks if questions may be too “clinical” “What kind of participation are we expecting from the survey?”.
- C. Chair Hunter responds “tribal educators” are the expected audience.
- D. Emily Navarro indicates the survey may be “too broad”.
- E. Chair Hunter notes the initial survey was intended to cover a wide spectrum of the strategic plan.
- F. Kari Emm notes that accompanying materials will provide information as to the purpose and audience of survey would be helpful. The survey is good in length and depth.
- G. Fredina Drye-Romero poses goal date for survey implementation be the ITCN Conference in December. IEAC applied for vendor space to have survey available to attendees.
- H. Committee members volunteer to host table during conference.
- I. Lance West will adjust survey documents and have ready to review at next meeting.
- J. Discussions continue regarding wording of survey questions, ITCN Conference.

**I. Agenda Items for Future Meetings (For Discussion)**

Discussion and possible action of Vice Chair position – interim or replacement  
Final Higher Education Survey – discussion and approval

**II. Date and Location of Next Meeting**

November 16, 2022, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm via ZOOM

**III. Final Public Comment**

**IV. Adjournment**

Chair Fawn Hunter adjourned the meeting at 12:54 pm.