

Nevada Indian Commission Indian Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2024
Via ZOOM

Committee Member	Seat Filled	Present	Absent
Chair – Fawn Hunter	Washoe County School District	X	
Fredina Drye-Romero	Nevada Department of Education		X
Maragaret Gunshows	Child Division Education Manager ITCN	X	
Kari Emm	Specialist, Tribal Students College of Agriculture, Biotechnology & Natural Resources University of Nevada, Reno		X
Interim Vice Chair - Lance West	Principal Schurz Elementary School	X	
Open Spot			
Fred Savage	Indian Education Clark County School District	X	
Open Spot			

ATTENDEES: Dr. Andreana Franco, Kyle Ethalbah, Mary Woods, Karen Shaw, Sara Twiss, Gina Jackson

NIC Staff: Maradan Moyle

I. Roll Call - Establish Quorum

Start Time: 10:04am

II. Invocation: Chair Fawn Hunter

III. Welcome and Introductions

IV. Initial Public Comment

Sara Twiss- NCYP Program: Native Youth Tours to College & Career Paths!

Touring Nevada Colleges with the Fee Waiver

-Locking in dates for Spring

- Program is for Grades 7-12

-Intro to College Life & Vocational Schools

Contact: Sara Twiss educationdirector@wrpt.org for more information

Mary Woods- NCLabs at College of Southern Nevada

New Program Available:

Manufacturing

150 Hours online training- problem solving,
learning about spreadsheets

50 hours at the College – Hands on work

*Introduction to CNC Machine Operator Control

* Employers look for school and hands on experience

* ETPLA- Funding available to pay for tuition.

Chair Fawn Hunter -Received the Native American Language Grant through the office of Indian Education

- Started October
- Implementing Culture and Language into Naches Valley Elementary School
- Pushing for Language – Paiute
- Pre-K- 5th Grade
- Job posting for Language teacher

V. Carolyn Harry- application determination

- Next Meeting

VI. Strategic Plan- Discussion

Lance West- Shared IEAC Draft Goals

Priority 1: Inclusive Culture

Priority 2: Indigenous Leaders of Tomorrow

Priority 3: Supportive Learning Environment

Submit surveys to the stakeholders.

Survey data will have the best outcome

Provide a public spreadsheet or display the data found and accumulated throughout the school year

- Can help students better in the following year
- Can provide ideas or new programs for all counties to share.

Lance West will be drafting a document everyone can comment on – based off what benchmarks that need to be met to improve education for Native students.

VII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings (For Discussion)

- Carolyn Harry – Pyramid Lake enrollment determination
- Strategic plan discussion

VIII. Next Meetings (For Discussion)

November 22, 2024 @ 9:00am

IX. Final Public Comment

Gina Jackson- CEO & EEO of Return to the Heart Foundation – for Native Women and Girls – Education background

X. Adjournment (end time)

Adjournment- 11:07am