

**Nevada Indian Education Advisory Committee (NIEAC) By-Laws
PROPOSED AMENDMENT 09/21**

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<p>ARTICLE I – MISSION</p> <p>The mission of the Committee is to support, promote and assure optimum educational opportunities for American Indian and Alaska Native students in Nevada</p>	<p>ARTICLE I. NAME</p> <p>This organization shall be known as the Nevada Indian Education Advisory Committee.</p> <p>"Committee" defined. Unless the context otherwise requires, "committee" means the Nevada Indian Education Advisory Committee.</p>	<p>SUMMARY</p> <p>Move MISSION to purpose. Start with Article I. Name instead.</p>
<p>ARTICLE II - PURPOSE</p> <p>The purpose of the Committee is to advocate for American Indian and Alaska Native students and act as an advisory body to the Nevada Indian Commission.</p> <p>The Committee is responsible for promoting and supporting an effective and efficient system for early childhood development and a quality education for American Indian and Alaska Native students in Nevada through accountability of basic instruction as well as Johnson O'Malley (JOM), impact aid and other programs. The Committee will</p>	<p>ARTICLE II. PURPOSE/GOALS AND OBJECTIVE</p> <p>The purpose of the Committee is to advocate for AI/AN students and act as an advisory body to the Nevada Indian Commission. The Committee is to support, promote, and assure optimum educational inclusivity for AI/AN Students in Nevada.</p> <p>The Committee will seek to:</p>	<p>SUMMARY</p> <p>The original Article II – Purpose included specific items that could be included in a strategic plan.</p>

<p>educate and inform Tribal Leaders on the importance of early childhood development and Indian Education; inform and educate tribal communities on the importance of early childhood development and Indian Education; ensure a system of coordination and collaboration among tribal early childhood development and Indian Education providers; and communicate the tribal early childhood development and Indian Education voice to the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council. The Committee may assist, as requested, in the planning, development, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of appropriate curricula for American Indian and Alaska Native students.</p> <p>The Committee disseminates information that reflects current legislation, theory, methodology, and practices in Indian education. The Committee also plans sessions with tribal entities, parents, and community members to discuss needs and develop and implement workshops or conferences for early childhood development and Indian education.</p> <p>The Committee also:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promotes the principles and practices that support the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in the benefits of education afforded to all other students in the State. 2. Promotes equality to ensure all students including American Indian and Alaska Native students are considered in the delivery of education. 3. Promotes and enhances the cultural awareness necessary to ensure American Indian and Alaska Native students are afforded learning opportunities conducive to their culture, learning style and experiences. 4. Advocates to education policy makers on what is needed to improve American Indian and Alaska Native student achievement. 5. Encourages and supports efforts to ensure all American Indian and Alaska Native students meet or exceed the State's achievement standards. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote equity and inclusion to ensure all students including AI/AN are considered in the delivery of education. 2. Advocate, address, and act on issues on education for AI/AN at the tribal, local, state, and national levels. 3. Update a strategic plan every 3 years to align with the Nevada Department of Education's Statewide Plan for the Improvement of Pupils (STIP), and the District Performance Plans and School Performance Plans (SPP). 	
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ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP	ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP	SUMMARY
<p>ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Appointment of members; meetings.</p> <p>1. Members of the committee shall be selected from among residents, state agencies, tribes, tribal organizations and communities of this state who are familiar with early childhood development and the education of American Indian and Alaska Native children.</p> <p>2. The committee consisting of members appointed by the Commission upon recommendation of the Advisory Committee is hereby created. The Advisory Committee may consist of a maximum of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Two representatives from each of the 22 Tribes having a population and land base in Nevada (See list shown as Attachment A) b. One representative from the Nevada Urban Indians, Inc. c. One representative from the Las Vegas Indian Center, Inc. d. Two representatives from the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada e. The Nevada Department of Education, Education Programs Professional for Indian Education f. One representative from each Title VI program g. Two members from each school district in Nevada with high populations of AI/AN students h. Two members from each of Nevada's higher education institutions: University of Nevada Reno, University of Nevada Las Vegas, Nevada State College, Truckee Meadows Community College, College of Southern Nevada, Western Nevada College, Great Basin College and Sierra Nevada College i. One representative from the Nevada Division of Child and Family Services j. One representative from the Children's Cabinet k. One representative from the Nevada Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council l. Three Representatives from other State of Nevada child service agencies 	<p>Appointment of voting members</p> <p>1. Members of the committee shall be selected from among residents, state agencies, tribes, tribal organizations, and communities both rural and urban who are familiar with the education of American Indian and Alaska Native students to ensure inclusive educational advancement and development of students.</p> <p>2. Committee Member openings will be posted for 30 days. At the next posted commission meeting, all applications will be considered for voting members and non-voting members.</p> <p>3. All members will need to fill out an <i>Official Appointment of Representative</i> form to the Indian Education Advisory Committee for approval, who will approve and send it to the Nevada Indian Commission for final approval and ratification.</p> <p>4. The first nine people are considered voting members, thereafter are considered non-voting members.</p> <p>5. If a person from the nine is no longer available to be a voting member, a non-voting member will be considered to fill the voting member spot.</p> <p>6. A non-voting member will go through the same process of voting membership.</p> <p>CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP. The categories of membership shall be as follows:</p>	<p>Took out number committee members to meet the meeting quorum.</p> <p>Included categories of membership rules of membership</p>

3. Each member serves a term of 2 years. A member may be re-appointed for additional terms of 2 years in the same manner as the original appointment.
4. A vacancy occurring in the membership of the Advisory Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. The committee, upon a majority vote may recommend a member to fill a vacant position until the next regular scheduled meeting of the Nevada Indian Commission where an appointment will be made to fill the position for a two (2) year term.
5. The Advisory Committee may meet at least quarterly and may meet at such times and places as it considers necessary to carry out its purposes.
6. At its first meeting and annually thereafter, the advisory committee shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among its members.
7. The Executive Director of the Nevada Indian Commission serves as the Executive Director of the Committee, and that individual's administrative assistant serves as the Executive Secretary, both of which are ex-officio positions. Ex-officio members do not have voting privileges.
8. QUORUM: A simple majority

1. VOTING MEMBERSHIP. Voting membership shall consist of the first nine people to apply for voting member.
2. NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP. Non-voting members shall have the full rights and responsibilities of the voting membership apart from voting on committee issues.
3. STUDENT MEMBERSHIP. Students who are in college may apply to be a non-voting member.

RULES OF MEMBERSHIP.

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6. QUORUM: A simple majority of five members of the nine voting members.

7. It is expected that voting committee members make every effort to attend IEAC meetings. Voting members must attend at least 75% of all regularly scheduled meetings, and will be replaced after missing three consecutive quarterly meetings. (This is from Stacey M)

TRANSFERABILITY. Memberships shall not be transferable or re-assigned.

RESIGNATION. Any member may resign by filling a written notice of such intention with the Nevada Indian Commission.

REMOVAL OF MEMBERS. Any member may be terminated for cause by the Nevada Indian Commission Board. Cause for removal will include, but not be limited to, falsely representing him/herself as an official of IEAC, willfully promoting false information about IEAC or deliberately provoking actions that would result in

	<p>harm to the IEAC. The Chair shall notify, in writing, any member who has been removed for just cause. Any member so removed, may re-apply for admission in the same manner as an initial application for membership.</p>	
<p>ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS</p> <p>Duties:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Executive Director: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Prepares the agenda with input from the Committee chair and Committee membership. b. Advises the Chair and the Committee. c. Liaises between the Committee and State Department of Education, State Board of Education, early childhood development and education policy makers, Colleges and Universities, and other stakeholders. 2. Executive Secretary: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Notifies Committee membership of upcoming meetings and other communications. b. Records, publishes and disseminates minutes of Committee meetings. c. Makes necessary meeting accommodations for Committee members. d. Communicates with Committee and other advocates for Indian education on various subjects including early childhood development. 3. Chairperson: Conducts the Committee business and the Committee meetings. The Chairperson also reports activities of this advisory committee to the Nevada Indian <p>Revised 09 04 18 Commission Board at their quarterly meetings and as requested by the Executive Director</p>	<p>ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS</p> <p>Officers of the Committee shall be voting members in good standing. The Officers shall be the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Officers of the Committee shall be members of the IEAC. 2. In the case of the Office of the Chair being declared vacant, the Vice-Chair shall assume the position of the Chair. If the Vice-Chair's seat becomes vacant at the same time as the Chair's vacancy, the remaining Officers of the IEAC will assume these positions in the following succession: Secretary. The new Chair will appoint a secretary to fill the vacated positions. 3. If any office of the Committee, other than the Chair, is declared vacant for any reason, the Board of the Nevada Indian Commission shall select IEAC members to fill the expired term. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Committee as a whole 5. Nomination of officers 	<p>SUMMARY</p>

<p>4. Vice-Chairperson: Acts on behalf of the Chairperson in his/her absence.</p> <p>5. Committee as a whole: The Committee serves as the Advisory Committee for the Nevada Indian Commission. The Committee also provides guidance where appropriate and within the stated purpose of the committee, on matters concerning the Nevada Legislature Impact Aid, Title VI, Part C, Title I and other early childhood development and American Indian and Alaska Native education issues.</p>	<p>6. Voting for officers will take place at the first regular scheduled meeting of the year, typically in January.</p> <p>7. Term limit for officer positions of no more than two 2-year terms.</p>	
ARTICLE IX. DUTIES OF OFFICERS		SUMMARY

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<p>Meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and in compliance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law requirements.</p>	<p>removal issues, the Committee Chair and Vice-Chair will adjourn into executive session. During the executive session only, persons directly involved with the issues may be present. At the conclusion of the executive session the Committee shall go back into open meeting and enter into the minutes any action taken.</p> <p>5. Minutes of each meeting will be recorded by the Executive Secretary. Meeting minutes will be published and disseminated in draft form to Committee members as soon as possible after each meeting, and consistent with the requirements of NRS 241.035, for review of content accuracy.</p> <p>6. Meeting minutes in final form will then be presented for Committee approval at the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting.</p>	
<p>ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS</p> <p>These By-Laws may be amended, repealed, or replaced by new By-Laws adopted by a majority vote of the Committee members present at a regularly scheduled meeting. There must be at least a thirty (30) day written notice to committee members and a first reading at a regularly scheduled meeting of all changes to the By-Laws before the By-Laws can be amended, repealed, or replaced. Whenever any amendment or new By-Law is adopted, it shall be permanently recorded as an update to the original By-Laws. If any By-Laws are repealed, the fact of repeal with the date of the meeting at which the repeal was enacted shall be stated in the minutes of that meeting and included in the By-Laws. Whether any provision of the By-Law is either amended or repealed, a marginal note shall be made</p>	<p>ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS</p> <p>These By-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new By-laws may be adopted by 2/3rds of the Directors present at any meeting, if at least two (2) days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend or repeal of, to adopt new By-laws at such meeting. The revised By-Laws will be provided to the voting membership via mail, facsimile, or electronic methods, as determined by the Nevada Indian Commission Board, for a 30-day comment period. If no concerns are brought to the Nevada Indian Commission Board within that 30-day comment</p>	<p>SUMMARY</p>

thereon indicating the place or page where the amendment or repeal may be found.	period, the revision will be considered final and binding.	
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	ARTICLE VII. ANNUAL CONFERENCE	SUMMARY
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The IEAC will co-sponsor the Annual Conference that is held in the Spring, along with the Nevada Department of Education (NDE). 2. The Annual Business Meeting shall be held during the day of the conference. The Annual Business meeting will consist of the following agenda items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Chair's Annual Report o Other Business 3. The Registration fee will be waived for the IEAC members assisting with the NDE Planning Committee 	
<p>Attachment A Tribes in Nevada with Population and Land Base</p>		
<p>Attachment B Representative List</p>		