

**2005 FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
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BROOMFIELD, CO**

**OCTOBER 5, 2005**

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order.** AIHEC President Cheryl Crazy Bull called the 2005 Fall Board of Directors Meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.
- II. Opening Prayer and Roll Call.** President Crazy Bull noted that the opening prayer and roll call for the membership meeting would constitute the same for the Board of Directors meeting as well. The following were present at the Membership Meeting.

**Members Present:**

Bay Mills Community College  
Blackfeet Community College  
Cankdeska Cikana Community College  
Chief Dull Knife College  
College of Menominee Nation  
D-Q University  
Diné College  
Fond du Lac Tribal and CC  
Fort Belknap College  
Fort Berthold Community College  
Fort Peck Community College  
Haskell Indian Nations University  
Institute of American Indian Arts  
Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College  
Little Big Horn College  
Little Priest Tribal College  
Nebraska Indian Community College  
Northwest Indian College  
Oglala Lakota College  
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College  
Salish Kootenai College  
Sinte Gleska University  
Sitting Bull College  
Stone Child College  
Tohono O'odham Community College  
Turtle Mountain Community College  
United Tribes Technical College  
White Earth Tribal and Community College

**Members Present By Proxy:**

Crownpoint Institute of Technology

**Represented By:**

Michael Parish  
John Salois  
Cynthia Lindquist Mala  
Dr. Richard Littlebear  
Dr. Verna Fowler  
Dr. Arthur J. Apodaca  
Ferlin Clark  
Dr. Donald Day  
Carole Falcon-Chandler  
Rusty Mason  
Dr. James Shanley  
Dr. Karen Swisher  
Della Warrior  
Debra Parrish  
Dr. David Yarlott, Jr.  
Tom Davis  
Micheal Oltrogge  
Cheryl Crazy Bull  
Thomas Shortbull  
Dr. Karen Radell  
Dr. Joe McDonald  
Dr. Lionel Bordeaux  
Ron His Horse is Thunder  
Melody Henry  
Olivia Vanegas-Funcheon  
Dr. Carol Davis  
Phil Baird  
Dr. Robert Peacock

Diné College, Ferlin Clark

**Members Absent**

Comanche Nation College  
Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa CC  
Leech Lake Tribal College  
Red Crow Community College  
Sisseton Wahpeton College  
Si Tanka University  
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute

**A QUORUM WAS ESTABLISHED.**

**III. Introduction of presidents, guests, and staff.**

**IV. Spring 2005 Board of Directors meeting minutes.**

In the absence of AIHEC Secretary Leah Carpenter, President Crazy Bull presented the minutes of the spring 2005 Board of Directors' meeting.

**MOTION:** Dr. McDonald moved to approve the minutes as presented.

**SECOND:** Mr. Baird seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report.** Dr. Shanley, AIHEC Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee, and Mr. Jay Phillips, AIHEC Director of Finance and Administration, reported on the completion of the AIHEC audits through FY 2004 and discussed the auditor's board communication and management letters, which were distributed to all presidents. All issues raised in the letters have been addressed and resolved.

Mr. Phillips reported that a new indirect cost proposal was recently submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services, which, if approved, will increase AIHEC's indirect cost rate to 16% from 5.3%.

Dr. Shanley announced that the 2007 budget will be presented at the 2006 spring Board meeting.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AUDIT AND MANAGEMENT REPORT:**

**MOTION:** Mr. Davis moved to accept the audit and management report as presented.

**SECOND:** Mr. His Horse is Thunder seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Littlebear moved to accept the financial report.

**SECOND:** Dr. Radell seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

- V. **AIHEC Report.** AIHEC Deputy Director Carrie Billy presented the AIHEC report. She announced that Dr. Gerald Gipp, AIHEC Executive Director, was not at the meeting because he was undergoing back surgery.

Ms. Billy referred members to the 2005 Annual Report and gave a brief oral report highlighting AIHEC's key accomplishments over the past 12 months.

Additionally, she noted that two key staff people recently left AIHEC to pursue other career opportunities: Dr. John Phillips, AIHEC USDA Land Grant Liaison and Edward Sekonde, AIHEC's Public Health Director.

- VI. **WINHEC and WIPCE.** Mr. Trevor Moeke, General Manager, Business Relations, Te Wananga o Aotearoa (University of New Zealand) gave a brief update on the upcoming meetings in New Zealand of the World Indigenous Nations Higher Education Consortium (WINHEC) and the World Indigenous People Conference on Education (WIPCE). He also spoke about the ongoing political threats to Maori higher education within his country and asked for AIHEC support.

**SUPPORT FOR MAORI HIGHER EDUCATION:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Shanley moved that AIHEC's Board of Directors prepare a resolution in support of the Maori higher education movement.

**SECOND:** Dr. Swisher seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

VII. **Committee Reports and Other Action Items.**

**Executive Committee**

President Crazy Bull presented a motion to establish an association for TCU TRIO program professionals that was forwarded by the Executive Committee.

**ESTABLISHING AN AIHEC SANCTIONED ASSOCIATION FOR TRIO PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS AT TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES:**

**MOTION:** Dr. McDonald moved that the AIHEC Board of Directors agrees to the following resolution recognizing and supporting the establishment of a Tribal College & University-TRIO programs professional association entitled AIHEC TRIO Programs Network (ATPN):

*"Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the American*

Indian Higher Education Consortium recognizes and supports a Tribal College TRIO Programs Professional Association, entitled: AIHEC TRIO Programs Network (ATPN). The Board finds that an association for Tribal College TRIO professionals will benefit AIHEC member institutions through improved cooperation, professional development, communication, technical assistance and networking among TCU-TRIO program professionals.”

**SECOND:** Mr. Oltrogge seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** Similar to the recently established professional organization for Land grant faculty and staff at Tribal Colleges and Universities, this association (The First Americans Land-grant Organization & Network (FALCON)), would enable TCU-Student Support Services staff and other TRIO program professionals to formalize a “community of practice” that would support one another, build capacity within individual Tribal Colleges and Universities and the collective body of TCUs, and improve the delivery and quality of services to Tribal College students.

**Communications and External Relations Committee**

Ms. Falcon Chandler, Chair of the committee, presented its report and the following motions.

**SUPPORT OF AIHEC FILM FESTIVAL:**

**MOTION:** Ms. Falcon Chandler moved to support the film festival and making it part of the competition at the 2006 AIHEC conference.

**SECOND:** Dr. McDonald seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** The AIHEC Student Congress will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2006. The students need letters of support for their fundraising efforts. The students hope students at all the tribal colleges will make short films to be considered.

**STANDARDIZING KNOWLEDGE BOWL RULES:**

**MOTION:** Ms. Falcon Chandler moved to recommend that the AIHEC Student Congress begin work on standardizing Knowledge Bowl rules and regulations and bring their recommendations back to the External Relations and Communications Committee.

**SECOND:** Mr. Oltrogge seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** During the discussion of this motion, Board members

requested that the Committee bring a recommendation to the full Board during its spring 2006 meeting regarding the handling of all AIHEC Student Conference competitions.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** The Student Congress had several concerns about Knowledge Bowls in the past and suggested that perhaps a commission similar to the Athletic Commission could be set up.

**RECOGNITION OF RAYMOND NAKAI:**

**MOTION:** Ms. Falcon Chandler moved that AIHEC recognize the leadership and important and powerful contributions of the late Chairman of the Navajo Nation, the Honorable Raymond Nakai, who served as Chairman of Navajo Nation when he led the establishment of Navajo Community College in 1968 as the first Tribal College in the United States.

**SECOND:** Dr. Swisher seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**SUPPORT OF NEW MEXICO TRIBAL COLLEGE STATE LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE:**

**MOTION:** Ms. Falcon Chandler moved that AIHEC support the New Mexico Tribal Colleges' legislative initiatives to the New Mexico State Legislature and governor that will benefit students attending these tribal colleges.

**SECOND:** Mr. Parish seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** State of New Mexico lottery funds are used to provide scholarships to New Mexico residents attending institutions of higher education in that state. However, Tribal College students are not eligible to receive such scholarships. This resolution opposes this inequity. In addition, the New Mexico tribal colleges (Diné College, Crownpoint Institute of Technology, Institute of American Indian Arts, and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute) have submitted testimony before a joint study committee of the New Mexico State Legislature regarding this issue and have been invited to become members of the New Mexico Higher Education Commission. It would be helpful to have AIHEC's support for these.

**STUDENT CONGRESS FUNDRAISING SUPPORT:**

**MOTION:** Ms. Falcon Chandler moved that the AIHEC staff help the Student Congress raise money for student leadership training and strategic planning.

**SECOND:** Dr. McDonald seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** President Crazy Bull reported that she spoke with Mr. Richard Williams, President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, about assisting the Student Congress with their fund raising efforts and that he agreed the College Fund could help.

**MOTION TO AMEND:** Dr. McDonald moved that the American Indian College Fund help raise money for student leadership training and strategic planning.

**SECOND:** Mr. Davis seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion, as amended, was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** AIHEC Student Congress wants to replicate the student leadership institutes that were provided several years ago through the Kellogg Native American Higher Education Initiative (NAHEI).

In closing the Committee's report, Ms. Falcon Chandler announced that the Committee will hold a special meeting prior to spring board meeting to discuss broadening the purposes of the *Tribal College Journal*.

She also provided an over of the financial report from the Student Congress that was presented at the Committee meeting by Juan Perez. The Student Congress Endowment, which currently totals \$210,000, was established several years ago through contributions from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the American Indian College Fund, and Phillip Morris. The Student Congress has over \$19,000 in operating funds, including \$5,200 just received from the colleges via AIHEC.

**Membership and Accreditation Committee.**

Dr. Fowler, Chair of the Committee, presented its report and the following motions.

**ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR VERIFYING MEMBERSHIP STATUS OF EXISTING MEMBERS:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Fowler moved that a process be established to verify membership status for existing members as follows: the AIHEC Executive Director will provide written notification to the chair of the membership committee whenever there appears to be a change in membership status of an existing member institution. It is then the responsibility of the membership committee to review the institution's eligibility criteria and make a recommendation to

the Board of Directors for action on that institution's membership, if necessary.

**SECOND:** Dr. Shanley seconded the motion.

**AMENDMENT:** Mr. Baird moved to strike the last period and insert "at the next regular meeting of the AIHEC Membership." The amendment was accepted by Dr. Fowler.

**OUTCOME:** The motion, as amended, was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** At this time there is no formal procedure in place to document whether existing member institutions continue to meet membership criteria on an annual basis. Recently, questions have been raised regarding various member institutions' accreditation, percentage of Indian students, or board makeup, for example, which could make those institutions ineligible for regular AIHEC membership.

Under Section 3.11 of AIHEC's Bylaws: "Each member will file with the Corporation an annual report of its operations for the preceding fiscal year, which will include the status of membership requirements outlined in Section 3.02. The report shall be accurate, signed by the chief executive officer of the member and submitted in a manner prescribed by the Corporation."

**APPLICATION DUE DATE:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Fowler moved that the application due date be extended from 30 days to 75 days prior to the next Board meeting.

**SECOND:** Dr. McDonald seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** The current time frame does not allow enough time to determine the site reviewers, arrange for the site review, conduct the site interview, and prepare the report.

**REVISIONS TO MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Fowler moved that the changes to the Membership Handbook that were presented at the Membership Meeting be adopted.

**SECOND:** Ms. Davis seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

In closing the Committee report, Dr. Fowler announced that the dates for the 2006 Student Conference are March 11-14 in Green Bay, WI. Questions can be directed to Ms. Donna Statzell ([dstatzell@menominee.edu](mailto:dstatzell@menominee.edu)) at the College of Menominee Nation.

**Research Committee.** President Crazy Bull, Chair of the Committee, reported that no motions were being forwarded to the Board from the Committee. She

announced that a committee (composed of President Crazy Bull, Dr. Swisher, Mr. Todd Romero, and Mr. Baird) had been reactivated to plan for a bi-annual research conference.

***Athletic Committee.*** Dr. Yarlott, Chair of the Committee, presented its report and the following resolution.

**ATHLETIC FEE DUE DATE:**

**MOTION:** Dr. Yarlott moved that that the athletic fee due date be changed from September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> of each academic year.

**SECOND:** Dr. Swisher seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Statement of Purpose:** Because athletic activities are usually not determined by September 1<sup>st</sup>, it is unclear which sports teams will be participating in AIHEC-sanctioned activities for the coming academic year by that date.

***Additional Motion Forwarded from the Committee on Committees.***

President Crazy Bull reported that the following motion had been referred out of the Public Policy Issues Forum.

**OPPOSING FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO DESIGNATE “NATIVE AMERICAN SERVING INSTITUTIONS” AND ESTABLISH CERTAIN PROGRAMS FOR SUCH INSTITUTIONS:**

**MOTION:** Mr. Davis moved that the AIHEC Board of Directors agree to the following resolution opposing federal legislation that would designate “Native American Serving Institutions” and authorize special programs for such institutions:

*"Resolved*, that the Board of Directors of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium vigorously opposes and objects to legislation that would establish a new authority for “Native American Serving Institutions” within Title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965.” The Board finds that legislative proposals such as the one contained in section 305 of S. 1614 (a bill recently ordered reported to the full Senate by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965):

- Would provide federal funding for race-based programs within well established state-supported institutions of higher education with public missions to serve all citizens, yet, which for decades, have ignored the needs of American Indians citizens in their states;



- Is unnecessary as a means for supporting basic operations at “eligible” institutions because the institutions that would be eligible to receive funding under the proposal are state-supported institutions, which receive state operational funding for all students, including American Indian students;
- Is unverifiable because the proposed program relies solely on “self-reporting” by students as a means for determining eligibility, which studies have shown to have an error rate of 35 percent or more;
- Ultimately, would serve to merely duplicate existing federal programs such as Title III, Part A, which was established by Congress to provide funding opportunities to strengthen developing institutions that have an enrollment of needy students among other criteria;
- Is in opposition to the concept of Tribal Sovereignty as articulated in the Tribally Controlled Colleges or Universities Assistance Act (Tribal College Act), which provides limited federal funding for basic operations of tribally chartered institutions of higher education.

Further:

- Under the Tribal College Act, eligible institutions must provide certification that their Indian students are members of Federally recognized Indian tribes; and
- Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities receive little or no operational funding from the states within which they reside for American Indian students attending their institutions because of Federal treaty obligations. Further, they receive little or no state support for *non*-Indians attending their institutions, which account for approximately 20 percent of all TCU students.

**SECOND:** Ms. Warrior seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote with one college abstaining.

**Statement of Purpose:** Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities have a special relationship with the Federal government, which is based on their status as extensions of the federally recognized Indian Tribes that chartered them. These tribes have signed binding treaties with the United States Government that include certain responsibilities, including education, in exchange for millions of acres of land. The reason the Tribally Controlled College or University Assistance Act exists -- and Federal resources are allocated to tribally controlled colleges and universities -- is because of these treaties and the Federal Trust responsibility. In short, this is solely a political, and not race-

based, distinction. Funding of tribal colleges and universities raises no affirmative action issues. This proposal, however, does.

Additionally, the vast majority of tribal colleges have open enrollment policies. Approximately 20 percent of tribal college enrollments are non-Indian students and these students receive the same education opportunities as enrolled tribal members. However, the tribal colleges and universities cannot include anyone who is not an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe in their student count that is used to determine their institution's operating budget. Further, they receive little, or as in most cases no, institutional operating funds from the state for either the Indian or non-Indian state residents who attend a tribal college or university. State supported institutions that would be eligible for funding under the proposed Native American Serving Institution program already count their American Indian students, as well as non-Indian state residents, when tallying their institution's student count for determining their allocation of operating funds from the state.

Further, there is no practical way of separating out funds going to improve education opportunities for Native Americans within these state institutions. As noted earlier, these institutions already receive funding for the education of their Native American students. This program would just result in creating a source of additional funds for state supported institutions to increase their basic operating and program budgets – without any means for measuring its effect on Native American students.

***New Committee Chairs.***

President Crazy Bull announced the following new Committee Chairs:

Dr. David Yarlott – Public Programs Committee

Dr. Karen Swisher – Athletic Committee

Mr. Tom Davis – STEM Committee

**VIII. Honoring of Presidents Warrior and His Horse is Thunder.**

A special honoring ceremony was conducted for Ms. Della Warrior, retiring president of the Institute of American Indian Arts, and Mr. Ron His Horse is Thunder, who is leaving Sitting Bull College having been elected the tribal chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

Dr. McDonald and Dr. Bordeaux offered comments and praise for their colleagues' contributions not only to their respective institutions but to the tribal college movement. President Crazy Bull presented each president with a plaque from AIHEC. Mr. Ferlin Clark offered a special prayer and blessing.

**IX. American Indian College Fund (A\*CF) Distribution.** President Crazy Bull reported that a committee was established at the February 2005 Board of

Directors' meeting to look at the A\*CF scholarship distribution issue and make recommendations that it deemed appropriate to the Board. Unfortunately, the committee never met. President Crazy Bull said that she was asking Ms. Lindquist Mala to serve as the chair of the committee and directed the committee to review various issues relating to the distribution of funds including possibly delaying the distribution of funds to new member institutions.

## **X. Election of New Officers.**

### ***President.***

**MOTION:** Dr. McDonald nominated Ms. Crazy Bull for President.

**SECOND:** Mr. Clark seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed.

**OUTCOME:** Ms. Crazy Bull was elected for a second term as AIHEC President by acclamation.

### ***Vice President.***

**MOTION:** Mr. Davis nominated Dr. Littlebear for Vice President.

**SECOND:** Dr. Shanley seconded the nomination.

Dr. Littlebear withdrew his name.

**MOTION:** Dr. Shanley nominated Mr. Clark for Vice President.

**SECOND:** Mr. His Horse is Thunder seconded the nomination.

The nominations were closed.

**OUTCOME:** Mr. Clark was elected by acclamation.

### ***Secretary.***

**MOTION:** Mr. Baird nominated Ms. Lindquist Mala for Secretary.

**SECOND:** Dr. Radell seconded the nomination.

The nominations were closed.

**OUTCOME:** Ms. Lindquist Mala was elected by acclamation.

### ***Treasurer.***

**MOTION:** Dr. McDonald nominated Dr. Shanley for Treasurer.

**SECOND:** Mr. Baird seconded the nomination.

The nominations were closed.

**OUTCOME:** Dr. Shanley was elected for a second term as AIHEC treasurer by acclimation.

***Member At-Large.***

**MOTION:** Mr. His Horse is Thunder nominated Mr. Davis for the Member At-Large position.

**SECOND:** Dr. Davis seconded the motion.

The nominations were closed.

**OUTCOME:** Mr. Davis was nominated by acclimation.

**XI. American Indian College Fund Report.**

Mr. Richard Williams, President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, presented a report on the College Fund's recent activities. He noted the challenges that all fundraisers are facing in light of the outpouring of funds to the victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. He also reported that the College Fund is developing a concept paper for a \$63 million campaign to assist tribal colleges with needs in the areas of operational resources and governance. He announced that the College Fund would seek a pool of applicants to replace Bob Martin as a member of the A\*CF Board in February. An election for that position would be held at the 2006 Spring Conference.

**XII. Other Appointments.**

***Finance Committee.***

Ms. Vanegas-Funcheon and Mr. Tutt volunteered to serve on AIHEC's Financial Committee.

**National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC).**

President Crazy Bull noted that she had been serving on the NASULGC Policy Board of Directors, with Dr. Yarlott serving as her alternate. However, they believe that a practitioner, such as a dean or vice president would better serve the 1994 tribal colleges and universities on that Board. Mr. Baird was nominated to serve on the board with Terry Tatsey from Blackfeet Community College and Virgil Dupuis from Salish Kootenai College serving as alternates.

With the departure of Dr. John Phillips, AIHEC's USDA Liaison, Meg Goetz has agreed to represent the 1994 land grant institutions on the NASULGC Budget and Advocacy Committee.

**USDA Leadership Group.** Ms. Vanegas-Funcheon and Mr. Salois agreed to serve on the USDA Leadership team along with President Crazy Bull, Dr. Fowler, Dr. Littlebear, and Dr. Yarlott.

**National Science Foundation (Education and HR Committee).** Mr. Shortbull suggested that the person who serves on this committee should be able to engage in a high level of dialogue about STEM issues.

### **XIII. New Business.**

#### **Priority Funding for BIA/OIEP Professional Development Programs.**

**MOTION:** Dr. Davis moved the following resolution:  
*Whereas, the Bureau of Indian Affairs/Office of Indian Education Programs (BIA/OIEP) designates 2.5% of its budget for subgrants to partnerships of bureau-funded schools and higher education institutions for professional development,*

*Therefore be it resolved, that the American Indian Higher Education Consortium supports a request that tribal colleges and universities that have accredited teacher training programs be given priority in BIA/OIEP professional development program funding;*

*Be it further resolved that the BIA/OIEP comply with the Executive Order on Tribal Colleges and Universities, which allows for priority to be given to TCUs that are eligible for such programs, which would include TCUs that are qualified to provide staff development for K-12 schools funded by OIEP.*

**SECOND:** Mr. Clark seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

#### **AIHEC Student Congress.**

Presidents Clark, Shortbull, and Warrior, and Mr. Richard Williams reported on their session with representatives of the AIHEC Student Congress and the need to reestablish stronger and more direct ties with that organization.

**MOTION:** Mr. Clark moved that AIHEC reaffirm active participation in and support of the AIHEC Student Congress and that a TCU President be designated to work with the Congress.

**SECOND:** Mr. Shortbull seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Ms. Lindquist Mala, a member of the Executive Committee, Mr. Baird, and Mr. Williams agreed to work with the Student Congress. There was a general understanding the Juan Perez will continue to work as the sponsor of the group, along with the co-sponsor, Michelle Spencer.

AIHEC staff will discuss who will be the staff liaison.

**White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities (WHITCU).**

Mr. Anselm Davis provided an update on WHITCU. He reported that the Executive Order on Tribal Colleges and Universities would have expired on September 30, 2005. However, President Bush signed a continuation for two years until September 30, 2007. The Presidents' Board of Advisors continues to exist.

He reported that Linda Emery, Special Assistant to U. S. Department of Education Assistant Secretary for Post Secondary Education Sally Stroup, was appointed Interim Director of WHITCU until a permanent Executive Director is selected and formally confirmed. He urged the AIHEC Board to request that an Indian person be appointed as the new Executive Director.

Mr. Davis said the he is reviewing department and agency three year plans and annual reports and is in the process of developing a report containing this information.

**MOTION:** Dr. Bordeaux moved that AIHEC send a letter of supporting Mr. Davis for the position of Executive Director of the White House Office on Tribal Colleges and Universities.

**SECOND:** Mr. Clark seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote with four colleges abstaining (College of Menominee Nation, Haskell Indian Nations University, Salish Kootenai College, and United Tribes Technical College).

**National Advisory Council on Indian Education (NACIE).**

Ms. Lindquist Mala, Chair of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education, presented a report of recent Council activities and the annual report, which was included in the Board books.

**XIV. Adjournment.**

**MOTION:** Mr. Baird moved to adjourn the meeting.

**SECOND:** Mr. Clark seconded the motion.

**OUTCOME:** The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

President Crazy Bull adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by AIHEC staff.

Executed and acknowledged by the undersigned being the Secretary of the Corporation.

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Cynthia Lindquist Mala, Secretary  
American Indian Higher Education Consortium

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