

COPPERMINE CHAPTER – PLANNING /REPORT MEETING
 SEPTEMBER 05, 2022 @ 4PM (DST) Teleconference

MINUTES

Join by Phone: (US) + 1 -620-712-2478 PIN 629 600 727#

- I. Meeting called to order by Allen Fowler at 4:33pm.
- II. Invocation by Paul Begay.
- III. Review & Adopt the Agenda by Allen Fowler
 Allen – read the agenda to the community
 Lavern – add-on for announcement for Veterans
 Motion: Lola Smith Second: Stanford Fowler Vote: 05/00/00
- IV. Approval of last meeting minutes to be posted at Administration Building.
 Allen – minutes will be posted the Administration Building
 Motion: Lola Smith Second: Stanford Fowler Vote: 05/00/00
- V. Old Business:
- VI. New Business:

1. Financial Report: Chapter Secretary Treasurer
 Valerie read the checking bank statement

Beginning Check Balance:	698,939.94
8/1 Deposit	276.63
8/9 Deposit	169.69
8/16 Deposit	93.72
8/23 Deposit	191.22
8/31 Deposit	52.34
	783.60
33 Checks Processed	12,716.07
Ending Check Balance:	687,007.47

Coppermine Fund Balance	Jul	Aug - Estimate
01 General Activity Fund	26,832.52	27,442.76
03 Trust Funds/Land Claims	9,482.77	8,064.10
08 Summer Youth Employment	18,203.95	16,317.71
09 Housing Discretionary	19,505.46	19,505.46
10 Local Governance Grant	16,139.44	16,139.44
12 Chapter Official Stipend	21,683.94	18,683.94
13 Scholarship/General Fund	9,404.00	6,904.00
15 Public Employment Project	50,436.55	48,689.27
16 Veterans	4,660.37	4,660.37
23 Navajo Nation Sales Tax	147,530.10	144,352.52
28 Chapter Projects	272,697.28	272,697.28
34 Agriculture Infrastructure Fund	5.48	5.48
40 Unhealthy Food Tax	83,584.55	83,584.55
Total	680,166.41	667,046.88
Ending Checking Balance	698,939.94	687,007.47
Difference	18,773.53	19,960.59

Valerie – read the fund balance estimate to the community. The personnel taxes are not in the estimate but it will change the overall estimate. I have not received the financial report from ASC. We shall be receiving the financial report which will change the Fund Balance for August. Note there is big difference between the fund balance and checking balalnce.

Motion: Lola Smith

Second: Stanford Fowler

Vote: 05/00/00

- Resolution CO-09-041-22:** Approving the Chapter Scholarship General Fund for the following One (1) Full-time student in the amount of \$500.00 utilizing the Chapter Scholarship General Fund Account 13:6721.

Valerie – application is downloading. Applicant is Megan Bigman and she attend Mohave Community College

Allen – is megan on the call. Transfer to the chapter meeting.

- Resolution CO-09-042-22:** Supporting the Issuance of a Tribal Access Authorization Agreement from the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority to attach, operate, maintain an existing distribution line and Fiber Optic cable installation within the Coppermine Chapter for expanding and enhancing Communication services for Sallie Barber.

Allen – read the chapter resolution to the community.

Lola – have the livestock permit holders sign off

- Resolution CO-09-043-22:** Supporting and Approving the Proposed Legislation entitled “Advancing Health for Diné Youth Act” led by the Navajo Nation Air is Life Health Coalition.

Allen – read the chapter resolution to the community.

Allen – anyone on

- Resolution CO-09-044-22:** Approving and Amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Coppermine Chapter Carryover Funds in the amount of \$_____ for Coppermine Chapter as the Carryover Budge for FY2023.

Lola – have concern that we didn’t receive stipend for the end of September 2021

Valerie – estimate carryover of \$661,678.88

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Valerie – read the estimate carryover of each fund code. Changes will happen in

- Fund Code 01 changes will happen to deposit for September;
- Fund Code 12 changes will happen to Planning stipend of \$1500 and Chapter stipend for \$1500 and WNAC June stipend for \$450;
- Fund Code 13 changes will happen due to 1 chapter scholarship recipient
- Fund Code 15 changes will happen due to 2 payroll check for Sharlene and taxes
- Fund Code 23 changes will happen due to travel reimbursement
- Fund Code ? changes will happen if bills will be paid or

Allen – modify the resolution to add the amount \$661,678.88 as the carryover amount

Motion: Stanford Fowler

Second: Paul Begay

Vote: 05/00/00

6. **Resolution CO-09-045-22:** Coppermine Chapter Scholarship Program Policies and Procedures. Change the policy III-1 and V-B to a student over the age of 18 who is a registered voter or under the age of 18, the student and parent or legal guardian must be registered with Coppermine Chapter by the deadline due date of application.

Allen – read the resolution heading to the community

Cynthia Slim – they have to be 18?

Allen – no they don't have to be 18. It's the registered voter. Student become of age 18 and are not registered voter. As long as legal guardian or parent who are registered voter for Coppermine by deadline date then student can get scholarship. Its for the students to get scholarship.

Addakai – whats the deadline.

Allen – last day Friday of January

Lavern – is it one time per school

Allen – its two per school year. Its \$500 per semester and \$1000 per school year.

Addakai – need to increase the scholarship

Allen : combine resolution 2-3-4-5-6 to forward to chapter meeting

Motion: Stanford Fowler

Second: Lola Smith

Vote: 04/00/01

7. Lula Tsinnijinnie – introduced herself. Have submitted financial assistance. Requesting for home assistance for Bruce Tsinnijinnie and his need for home and can't do his home due to his disability. He has been trying to get housing assistance from BIA. I will submit the application to the administration.

VII. Reports and Presentation:

1. TCRHC Health Promotion Coordinator- Chad Barlow = not present
2. General Election Office- Augusta Gillwood / Ray Daw = not present
3. Community Health Representative- Susie Shorthair = not present
4. TCRHCC Radiation- Natasha Begay = not present
5. TCRHCC - Leila McCabe = not present

VIII. Chapter Officials / Council Delegate / CLUP Reports

1. Council Delegate – Paul Begay Jr – provided report to the community. Executive order remains to stay home, wash your hands, sanitize your hands, 6 feet distance, wear mask, some people work from home, Navajo Nation was most dangerous compared to other countries, health order issued by Navajo Nation, then now the Navajo Nation is known as the safest place now. Now businesses open and you see people in the towns outside of Navajo nation that they are Navajos because we wear our masks. The Navajo Nation Fair has started and theme is honoring our frontline workers.

This started yesterday and today was the Miss Navajo Nation Pageant. San Juan College we have met there regarding RECA and a lot of people are unaware of it. a lot of our people haven't applied for RECA because they aren't aware of it. it will give us more time so people that are decrease from uranium and families can apply. Need to go to RECA office to ask them questions if the cancer that contribute qualifies for compensation. Can be compensated \$50,000. Need to increase the compensation. Spoke to vendor for assistance with school supplies and backpack to assist the students. Within the next couple of weeks will have 50 backpack with school supplies per 5 chapters.

Lola – question by community of many funds for FBFA so can you clarify

Paul – this ARPA fund. Approved of \$2 billion. Have met on Thursday regarding this funding.

Meeting on varies funding. Funds for Navajo Hopi Land Commission is separate. Tonalea chapter has reached out to Robert Black office so Coppermine needs to do that to get update from Robert Black on the funding.

Paul – 2 separates distribution and Top 3 priority is Water, Electricity, Broadband.

The following is next priority is Housing, Bathroom Addition, Roads, etc.

Council Delegate will be receiving Per Region: \$8,802,340 and its going to be Equal Distribution: \$1,760,468 for the 5 chapters.

Cynthia- did I hear that right that fort defiance is getting more than oak springs.

Paul – oak springs isn't happy with the amount. It not finalizes distribution yet. The small chapter thinks that equal distribution is best. I assume they are still talking about it.

Cindy – if lechee has more development than Coppermine, red lake, and gap then would lechee would get more funds.

Paul – my thought is that equal distribution. We didn't have that money but we need to make sure of it. and there is deadline 2024 which will be like tomorrow. Rather than questioning how much each chapter should get so equal distribution would be best and chapter can get to using the funds.

Lola – whats cost of tonalea chapter

Paul - \$6 million but cost went down due to pandemic. I went to page lumber I bought plywood for \$96. So cost went down to \$4 million.

Lola – what kind of funds were used

Paul – sihasin funds, it was new council and legislation was approved

Linda – what is the update on veterans legislation that kee allen begay trying to bring to eastern and western agency

Paul – kee had 3 legislation all veterans related. Heard during summer session. When going through committees then comes before council for approval. When going through the committee which went through main for consideration for council, it didn't pass which requires 2/3 vote, need 16 votes to approve it so it didn't meet the 16 votes, western agency commander and veterans which received many texts from veterans which texts stated to disapprove it because kee allen begay didn't reach out to Western and Eastern Veterans so with that we voted no on the legislations, had received texts from veterans. In agreement kee allen begay which he said he will take his legislation to western agency and easter agency for worksession and as of today I have not hear of the worksession to the veterans.

Cynthia – email other day, Gap Veterans Secretary Treasurer, sept 16 crownpoint veterans worksession and sept 14 monument valley high school 9am. Those are the 2 meetings.

Lavern – we have Coppermine veterans meeting on Thursday and you can attend that would be great. Program has shortball with upcoming fiscal year.

Paul – per our conversation, gave you his phone number to schedule it, from his side he said he would come down to meet with the veterans,

Lavern – I will text information he text me. What about the trust fund.

Paul – james will provide the information on trust fund.

Lousie – in flagstaff they bought horseman lodge, where funds came to purchase it.

Paul – gaming funds, as for development nothing yet

Louise – need gaming to come to give update on what they do with gaming funds

Lola – need update on waterline project, brown n Caldwell,

2. Chapter President – Allen Fowler Jr.

The \$8 million of which \$1.7 million goes to 5 chapters.

There are guidelines to the funds. We need to have community input.

Need to chapter resolution for the project.

We have time limit for the funds.

People got housing. At chapter we need warehouse, parking lot, etc.

Have DCD come to provide information to the community.

Jerry Williams – arpa funds need to be covid related, Dept of Justice will review project and approve it for funding or not, reports on funds are given back to Washington.

Lola – have him schedule meeting for ASC

Allen – jerry can you schedule meeting for DCD to come

3. Chapter Vice-President- Lola Smith

Sept 9 – clinic meeting and will get update on the project

Need administration staff the AMS and CSC. Need to staff to look over the funds. Just be aware of that. We can not go into administration and can't look into files. If you know of anyone interested in the vacant positions so have them apply.

4. Chapter Grazing Official- Stanford Fowler

Doing the tally. Most people want to do the tally on weekends.

I get help from family to do the branding.

Just barely received the tally book but they want tally count soon but told them that we just got the tally book recently.

Some permit holders don't have help for branding.

Rain is good and help the grass grow. Its good.

5. CLUPC- Linda Long – no report as this time. I can't seem to get date for quorum for clup members to have meeting. Need clup representative from the Former Bennett Freeze Area.

IX. Announcements:

1. Next Chapter Meeting: September 15, 2022 at 4pm

2. Next CLUPC Meeting: TBA

3. Next Veteran's Meeting: September 08, 2022 at 6pm (page time)

4. Next District Grazing Meeting: Sept 8, 2022 at 12pm (NN) at Coppermine chapter

5. Next Western Agency Grazing: Sept 12, 2022 at 9am – teleconference.

6. Next Planning Meeting: October 3, 2022 at 4pm (NN) at Coppermine chapter

7. District One Council Meeting: Sept 13, 2022 at 530pm

8. Western Agency Council Meeting: Sept 17, 2022 at 9am at Shonto
9. Oct 1, 2022 at 9am – Navajo Veterans Resource Event at Western Navajo Veterans Office. Need contact Karen at 928-583-2079 on the number of people and must register. Contact Lavern 623-237-2108 if you want your items to be picked up in tuba city. Items available are food, water, firewood, other access.

Paul Begay – to lavern, I will be in final session this week so unable to attend veterans meeting.

- X. Adjournment at 6:55pm. Motion Stanford Fowler. Second Lola Smith. Vote: 05/00/00

Valerie Fowler

Written and prepared by Valerie Fowler
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer