



**Coppermine Chapter**  
 Regular Chapter Meeting  
 February 14, 2017 @ 6PM  
 AGENDA



- I. Welcome & Call to Order by Sid Whitehair at 6pm.
- II. Invocation by Carol Manson.
- III. Recognizing Guest & Visiting Officials:  
 Floyd Stevens, Former Chapter President – give his keys to current Chapter President.
- IV. Reviewing & Adopting the Agenda:  
 Add-on: Floyd need to add Finance Budget in the Agenda and this is just Valerie's report.  
 So put it under Old Business B.  
     Budget Approval for 2017 Supplemental Funds for Chapter Stipend  
     Budget Approval for 2015 Unhealthy Food Tax  
     Budget Approval for 2016 Unhealthy Food Tax  
     Budget Approval for 2016 Sales Tax  
 Motion: Sally Whitehat      Second: Alice Tat      Vote: 32 / 00 / 01

- V. Reading and approval of last meeting minutes to be posted at Administration Building: January 10, 2017.  
 Suggest to post copy at the Chapter Building.  
 Motion: Guy Sloan      Second: Sallie Tsingine      Vote: 27 / 00 / 09

- VI. Old Business:
  - A. Financial Report: Chapter Secretary Treasurer  
     Beginning Balance: \$809,415.91  
     Revenue: \$21.21  
     Expenses: \$23,357.82  
     Outstanding Checks: \$12,616.11  
     Ending Balance: \$786,079.30

B. Budget Approval for the following:

- a. Budget Approval for 2017 Supplemental Funds for Chapter Stipend

Grant: 2 Regular Chapter Meeting x \$500 Stipend x 3 Officials = \$3000; 2 Chapter Planning Meeting x \$500 Stipend x 3 Officials = \$3000	\$6000.00
Grant: Travel Expense for Mileage/Meals/Lodging for Chapter Officials	\$1030.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7030.00</b>

- b. Budget Approval for 2015 Unhealthy Food Tax

Grant: Healthy Food Purchase for Community Events	\$507.00
Grant: Prepare and Initiate Community Project by Implementing Walk/Run in Community and Provide Incentives. Purchase Water Bottles, T-shirts, etc.	\$2750.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3257.00</b>

- c. Budget Approval for 2016 Unhealthy Food Tax

Grant: Community Recreational Development; Plan and Initiate to Purchase Equipment/Playground to promote positive healthy awareness and; Site Renovation for Playground	\$18000.00
Grant: Prepare and Initiate Community Project by Implementing Walk/Run in Community and Provide Incentives. Purchase Water Bottles, T-shirts, etc. Purchase Healthy Food	\$2803.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$20,803.00</b>

- d. Budget Approval for 2016 Sales Tax

Grant: Travel Expenses for Chapter Officials for Governmental Purposes	\$10,000.00
Grant: Travel Expenses for Chapter Officials, Chapter Staff, and CLUP Members for Strategic Worksession	\$5,000.00

Grant: Travel Expenses for Assessment Team, Chapter Officials, Chapter Staff and CLUP Members for CLUP Manual and Assessment for Coppermine	\$10,000.00
Grant: Operating Supplies/Equipment	\$5,000.00
Grant: Training/Registration Fee	\$2,000.00
Grant: Chapter Projects – Powerline (ROW, Clearances), Waterline (Bathroom Additions), Roads Improvement	\$11,626.00
Total:	\$43,626.00

Motion for Budget Approval for the 4 Budgets:

Motion: Viola Fowler

Second: Floyd Stevens

Vote: 32 / 01 / 14

VII. New Business:

- A. Financial Assistance: Chapters Full-Time Scholarships
1. Breanna Tsingine- The University of Arizona – Mother spoke on behalf of her daughter.
  2. Lara Yazzie- Central Arizona College – Mother was present during Planning Meeting.
  3. Adriano Tsingine- San Juan College – Lola Smith spoke on behalf of nephew. Like I said this is the last time so next time Parents need to be present.
  4. Ashley Dempsey- Northern Arizona University – Shanice Smallcanyon spoke on her behalf.
  5. Shanice Smallcanyon-Scottsdale Community College – Shanice spoke on behalf of herself.

B. Financial Assistance: Chapters Part-Time Scholarship

1. Marcus Whitehair- Northern Arizona College – Lola Smith read the letter from Marcus.

Motion for all Chapter Scholarship for approval.

Motion: Edith Cling

Second: Alice Talakte

Vote: 42 / 00 / 09

C. The Navajo Special Diabetes Project- Edbert Little – Not Present.

- D. CLUPC = New Membership. Lola – during Planning Meeting the CLUP members have a Vacant Position and have recommended Floyd Stevens and is that still ok with you Floyd.

Floyd = there is vacant position with CLUP Committee and CLUP had recommend to be apart of CLUP but feel that the position was for person from South Coppermine so I am recommending Roylenthia Begay. Roylenthia Begay lives in the Former Bennett Freeze Area and has computer skills.

Roylenthia = I work for the Chapter and have worked on the Former Bennett Freeze Area. Thank you for the recommendation from Floyd and push from Valerie. There is huge need for the Coppermine Chapter. I do want to be apart of the CLUP Committee.

Lola = Thank you for accepting this position to be apart of CLUP Committee. Have attended meeting last week and need to get the Housing Policy and Procedures for Coppermine. We have hired her back to assist with the Assessment for Coppermine Chapter.

Sallie Tsingine = have it started the forms and is there deadline

Lola = it started already and need to get done sooner. There is cycle.

Char = its in group of income, etc.

Lola = when the Assessment Team comes to door be truthful

Question = is this for whole Coppermine. (Lola – yes) I am activity with my parents daily now.

Question = where do we get the forms

Lola = the Team will be coming to your home

Question = how long will it take for the needy, another year

Lola = need to have your paperwork. Member of TCRHCC and met with State – it is best to have it black and white on your needs which is easier to ask for funding. We don't the number of elders and their condition of their home, how many children live in Coppermine, etc.

Motion for Roylenthia Begay to be the new CLUP member.

Motion: Edith Cling

Second: Lula Tsinnijinnie

Vote: 45 / 00 / 01

- E. Supporting Resolution for NGS – Erwin Marks. They voted to continue the operation till 2019. They need to sign the agreement in March to keep the operation. Need to contact your delegates and President to encourage for the signature of the lease. The owners want to remove themselves in 2019 and maybe the Navajo Nation will purchase the Plant. That will be up to the government. The biggest expense is the coal. It cost \$250 million dollars to purchase coal. In 2019 will shutdown one unit and

only have two units running. Cost of natural gas is very low and will remain that way. The cost of coal varies everyday. Poverty Rate is high on the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Tribe gets 22% from NGS. Peabody approach Navajo Nation to reduce payment to the Navajo Nation. Resolution states: Approving the Proposal to Extend the Life of the Navajo Generating Station.

Carol Manson – what are the Hopi saying? Since the coal partially belongs to the Hopi.

Erwin – don't know about Hopi. This is where President Russell Begay needs to talk to them. I know that coal for Hopi is shutdown.

Floyd – Navajo Nation depends on 22% of the NGS and the Hopi depends on 80% so they in a worse shape.

Question – where does water come from

Erwin – the water comes from Lake Powell

Floyd – if the water runs then goes back to the Navajo Nation.

Erwin – the Navajo Nation have to apply for the Water Rights. I believe water was given to the state.

Lola – I read its up to the Navajo Nation to keep this running.

Erwin – we have commitment to the end of 2019 so have almost 3 years to get this commitment.

Lola – the speed to get to the Federal Government

Erwin – need to educate the Council Delegates and President. We got time to address and get approval from chapter then forward to Council and President.

Lola – if we are to lose our water rights then forget this

Erwin – this needs to get done at the local level to get the water rights

Wynette – how much pollution?

Erwin – we follow standard and monitor it full time. As of today, we have not had any violation.

Wynette – there is a haze?

Erwin – if there is no wind then you see it

Question – what is alternative if the plant shut downs? Build solar panels?

Erwin – solar panels is very low electricity output compared to power plant. We need to look at visitors that come to Page.

Floyd – how many employees work at the NGS? None. Need to hear the employees for their need to keep working. The only person that comes out from NGS is Paul Begay. The only problem we hear from NGS is when they are in trouble. How can we improve tourism.

Lola – Coppermine Chapter is the one that approved and LeChee wasn't even in existence. LeChee think they own the Plant. Our elders are the ones that approved.

Frank Spencer – Moapa is shutting down the end of this month. Fly ash is hurting the people. When you go to Las Vegas you see all these Solar Panels and Natural Gas and you don't see pollution.

Erwin – yes natural gas is cleaner. The demand for electricity is higher which would raise cost for the natural gas and then coal power plant would be competitive with natural gas.

Comment – I work when they started the Power plant and was promised the royalties would be given to the Navajo and there is no improvement here.

Erwin – the royalties are given to the Navajo Nation then they distribute.

Guy Sloan – I have children that work at the plant and should not be negative. We should help our people.

Sid W – I have told the President and Council Delegate to move the mandatory training to Arizona due to travel expenses. We need to start saving money since the Navajo Nation gets 22% of royalties from NGS. Its up to the community on what you want to do.

Motion: Guy Sloan

Second: Jay Tsinnijinnie

Vote: 31 / 15 / 16

VIII. Reports:

A. District Grazing Official – Not Present.

B. Chapter Officials

Valerie – provide update on the Pre-Construction Meeting for the Powerline Phase III to start February 20, 2017. The 7 clients are Dolly Manyturquoise, Joe/Alice Littleman, Bessie Armajo, Faith Mooney, Katie Spencer, Susie Shorthair, and Leland Sampson. Cutting down trees and if you want wood then you need to have wood permit.

Sid – communication of meetings at the Coppermine Chapter. I will be working on the Chapter Signs and let me know of welders in the area. The Chapter Administration will be open till 5pm not 430pm. Please speak kinds words with the Chapter Staff. Chapter Scholarship there are deadlines, parents need to be present during Planning or Chapter meeting, will also work on the ALERT, Economic development for Coppermine, the assessment for Coppermine is a working team with staff, Clup, and officials.

Sallie – first windmill toward kaibeto what stop the project.

Floyd – it was a matching fund. Need to request for additional layer for road improvement in muddy area.

Sid – will also be working on the Roads, gave up on update on who covers which road for the NDOT, BIA, and Coconino County.

C. CLUP President – Linda Long is sick and ask for me to provide update. Had provide update last night at the FBFA meeting. We attended the FBFA worksession in Twin Arrows and talked about Housing Policy and Procedures. At the worksession, the data for FBFA is now for the whole Chapter community. Demographic information which is 2 pages from the 7 pages. We had volunteers like Natalie Tsinnijinnie and Roylenthia Begay to get FBFA started. Instead of hiring outside person that need to hire within then the chapter will learn to do Assessment. To look at the house I don't have the experience to do an assessment for a home and cost of the home. NHA would hire person to do home assessment. Then it slow down in August. Was the FBFA forgotten. Last week was meeting setup...some chapters continue working on it. Calvin collected data on windmills, cemetery, grazing permit, homesite lease info., ceremonial sites, need to make maps of where people live and other information, etc. The map all in one and all bunch up. We had computer knowledge people work for us till Vandine took another position and Roylenthia is back working. Tomorrow meeting in Page with CLUP and Shawn Russell. Will be analyzing the data. NHA and NHLC have Housing Policy and Procedures and Coppermine's Housing Policy is only 4 pages and they want chapter to adopt this Housing Policy and Procedures which is approved by both NHA and NHLC. Want to use the NHA funds first then next use the Escrow funds.

D. Health Representative

IX. Resolutions:

- A. CO-02-11-17- Authorizing the Approval of the 01-Chapter Activities General Fund Scholarship for the following (5) Five full Time students in the amount of \$400.00 each utilizing the 01-Chapter Activities General Fund Scholarship 01-6721.
- B. CO-02-12-17- Authorizing the Approval of the 01-Chapter Activities General Fund Scholarship for the following (1) One part time student in the amount of \$214.20 each utilizing the 01- Chapter Activities General Fund Scholarship 01-6721  
Motion for all Chapter Scholarship for approval (A, B)  
Motion: Edith Cling                      Second: Alice Talakte                      Vote: 42 / 00 / 09
- C. CO-02-13-17: ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS UUF 110 CHAPTER STIPEND PER CN-58-16 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,030.00 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 COPPERMINE CHAPTER OPERATING BUDGET.
- D. CO-02-14-17: ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 UNHEALTHY FOOD TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,257.00 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 COPPERMINE CHAPTER OPERATING BUDGET.
- E. CO-02-15-17: ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 UNHEALTHY FOOD TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,803.00 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 COPPERMINE CHAPTER OPERATING BUDGET.
- F. CO-02-16-17: ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 SALES TAX COLLECTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,626.00 TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 COPPERMINE CHAPTER OPERATING BUDGET.  
Motion to Approve Chapter Budgets (C, D, E, F)  
Motion: Viola Fowler                      Second: Floyd Stevens                      Vote: 32 / 01 / 14
- G. CO-02-17-17: New CLUP Member Roylenthia Begay  
Motion: Edith Cling                      Second: Lula Tsinnijinnie                      Vote: 45 / 00 / 01
- F. CO-02-18-17: Supporting Resolution Approving the Proposal to Extend the Life of the Navajo Generating Station.  
Motion: Guy Sloan                      Second: Jay Tsinnijinnie                      Vote: 31 / 15 / 16

X. Announcements:

- A. Next Chapter Planning/ Report Meeting: March 07, 2017@ 3pm
- B. Regular Chapter Meeting: March \_\_\_\_, 2017 @ \_\_\_\_\_
- C. President Days Holiday February 20, 2017 Office Closed.
- D. Chapters Staff Mandatory-Governance Conference @ Albuquerque NM, Feb. 27-March 03, 2017. Travel.
- E. Grazing Official on Travel Training February 27-March 01, 2017 @ Alb.
- F. Grazing Permittee Monthly Meeting March 01, 2017 is postpone till further notice.

XI. Adjournment at 920AM. Motion Floyd Stevens, Second Alice Talatke.

Valerie Fowler

Written and Prepared by Valerie Fowler, Secretary/Treasurer

Have a Safe And Journey Home!