



AIANEA Interim National Council Minutes

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

1:00 pm Pacific, 2:00 pm Mountain, 3:00 pm Central, 4:00 pm Eastern

Respect, Harmony and Beauty

Interim Council Present: **President** - Roylene Comes at Night
1st Vice President – Tanya Meyer-Dideriksen
2nd Vice President – Erin Taylor (absent)
Treasurer – Sherry Cospers (absent)
SE Regional Rep – Cameron Clark
NE Regional Rep - Cassius Spears (absent)
W Regional Rep – Felix Nez (absent)
Northern Plains Rep – David Pesicka
Midwest Regional Rep – Blythe Koyiyumptewa (absent)
Secretary - Catherine Cannon

The meeting was called to order by President Roylene Comes at Night at 1:03.

- 1) **Agenda:** No additional agenda items were proposed.
- 2) **Minutes:** No changes to minutes. Approved.
- 3) **Treasurer's Report:** Tanya provided update via email from Sherry. See Treasurer's complete report under separate cover. Tanya moved to approve report, Dave 2nd. Approved.
- 4) **2022 Taxes:** Sherry recently sent all bank statements to accountant; he will get completed and filed.
- 5) **Future of Association:** Still interim council and little interest from people stepping up. Topic on hold. Email members about needing council members/active members.
- 6) **Elder's Council Membership:** Tanya will draft email to have Yvette send out to membership asking for nominations.
- 7) **AIANEA 3rd Party agreement for WEWAI.** Agency may consider having agreements with an entity for training, like OTAC, but has to be outside party and/or retired members of association. AIANEA/current members employed by association cannot be a part to a 3rd party agreement. IAC has WEWAI for 2024 (funding & coordination), agency may consider 3-4 full time trainers. Discussion on hiring a company to do it. Could AIANEA hire a full or part-time coordinator to

work on WEWEAI, Elders' Book, etc? Discussed concerns. Ongoing discussion.

- 8) **C&B Update:** Articles XI-XVI (aka Section 3): Discussed member comments and revised. Tanya will resend to members for review.

Bylaws Section 1, Articles I-IV: Reviewed. Cathy will send out membership form updated last year, discussed fee schedule. Article III needs to be consistent with Constitution, discussed remaining comments.

- 9) **IAC Travel Scholarships:**

- ~\$1200-\$1500/student per IAC
- IAC willing to help select student(s)
- IAC would be willing to display logo as sponsor
- Hold for September meeting decision

- 10) **2024 Joint Conference:** ERGs sent request in again, no response from Chief.

- 11) **Welcome Package Update:** Vendor David was working with changed hands; need to check on prices again.

- 12) **Website Updates:** Discussion of ERG joint webmaster died; need to hire a Webmaster to update and monitor website. Cathy will follow up with Erin if she has ideas and will vote at next meeting.

- 13) **Next meeting:** September 20 – need to reschedule. Cathy will send out reschedule for following week (September 27).

Meeting adjourned at 2:04

- 14) **Action Items:**

- Tanya will work with Yvette to resend Section 3 to members.
- Tanya will work with Yvette to ask membership for Elders' Council nominations.
- Cathy will send out membership form updated last year.
- Cathy will touch base with Erin re: website.

Held Over Items:

- Future of Association
- AIANEA 3rd party contractor for WEWAI.
- IAC Travel Scholarships.
- Welcome package.