

**NIHSDA Annual Membership Meeting**  
**Sheraton Anchorage Hotel – Howard Rock B**  
**Tuesday, June 20, 2007**  
**3:00 ~ 4:30 p.m.**

**NIHSDA Members Attending:**

Acoma	Osage
Aleutian Pribilof	Port Gamble HS/EHS
Blackfeet HS/EHS	Rincon
Calif. Rural (CRIHB)	Rosebud Sioux
Cherokee, Eastern Band	Santo Domingo
Cherokee Nation	Southern Ute HS/EHS
Cheyenne River	So. Central Foundation
Chickasaw Nation	So. Central Foundation EHS
Grand Traverse	Spokane
Isleta	Three Affiliated
ITC Michigan	Tlingit and Haida
ITC Nevada	Washoe
Jemez Pueblo	White Earth
Kiowa	Yurok
Oneida	

**Call to Order:** Theo Bayou, President, called the Annual Membership Meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**Guests included:** Channell Wilkins, Kathryn Helsel, and Toni Dobrec.

**Minutes of June 20, 2006:** The minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting held on June 20, 2006, were read. MaryEllen Fritz moved to accept the minutes. William Maes, the Head Start Director from Isleta, seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joyce McClellan, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's Report in detail. Two questions emerged from the membership with regard if the \$4,201.00 that was paid by assets such as CD's. Joyce responded by confirming that it had been covered by assets. MaryEllen commented that some programs wanted to come to the conference but couldn't afford to. She suggested a committee to look into scholarships for attendance. Danny Wells moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Hilda Marshall seconded. Motion carried.

**Summary of NIHSDA Annual Report for 2006:** The 2006 accomplishments were presented by various Board Members. Also presented were the donation and contributions for 2006, Native Child and Family Advocacy Fund, and Membership Growth and Development.

**Questions and Comments from membership:**

- Membership terms and due date for annual membership fee.
- Discussion on ideas to raise funds for the Advocacy fund.
- Small programs can't afford dues or to attend the conference.
- MaryEllen moved to allow email votes for the by-laws revisions, and Theo explained that the email votes were being accepted.
- What can we do to monitor the new alignment of the Branch? OHS is looking for communication from programs for positives/suggestions/issues – summarize what we've learned for members and expectations of the OHS Branch office.
- What is the written process to submit concerns to OHS? We should demand a written process.

**Other Comments:**

- Tribal Leadership from Santo Domingo requested NIHSDA support and assistance in seeking funding for a facility. Written support is requested.
- A Policy Council member inquired on how to oppose the proposed amendments to the role of the Policy Council and shared that he was not informed by their Head Start Director about the possible changes to the role of the Policy Council.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, William Maes from Isletta moved to adjourn. Cheryl Prue seconded. Motion carried.