

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
February 12, 2009**

Call to Order: Danny Wells, President, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. PST.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken by the Secretary, Mavany Verdugo. A quorum of the Board of Directors was established.

PRESENT	NOTIFIED	NOT NOTIFIED
President – Danny Wells Treasurer – Gil Gonzales Secretary – Mavany Verdugo Region 1 – Frances Maney Region 3 – Hilda Marshall Sara Young Bird, Alt Region 4 – Mike Williamson Region 5 – Kathleen Sando Region 6 – Pat Foster Region 7 – Gayle Johnson Region 8 – Vikki Bishop Viola Wood, alt. Region 9 – Jacki Haight – Patty Eningowuk, Alt. Region 10 – Albert Rhinehart	Immediate Past Pres – Ann Belleau Region 2 – Kevin Hedstrom, Alt. Region 4 – Stephanie Carr, Alt	Region 2 – John Pavek Region 5 - William Maes, Alt

Others Present: Kathryn Helsel, Toni Dobrec, Kristi Bentkowski, and Teri Stringer from the MCS were present. Greg Smith, NIHSDA Attorney, was also present.

Capital Hill Visit Report:

Agenda Approval: The agenda was reviewed. It was requested to add seating region 7 representative, Gayle Johnson. Gil moved to accept the amended agenda, and Hilda seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Approval of the Minutes of the November 13, 2008 meeting: The minutes were read and examined for corrections. Mike moved to approve the minutes with corrections and Jacki seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Gil reviewed the Check Register, Revenue Report and Expense Report. Mavany moved to accept the treasurer’s report and Pat seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Membership Report: Kathryn gave an overview of the Regional Membership Report. There was one new member in the month of January. Welcome Gayle Johnson from Bishop.

Seating of Region 7 Representative to the Board: Kathryn introduced Gale Johnson from Bishop as the newly elected Region 7 representative.

\$3 Per Child Campaign and Regional \$2,000 Commitment: There were no contributions in the month of January for either account.

Attendance Record: Kathryn provided the Board with a copy of the new Attendance Report for their information. Danny and Mavany will have to make a few calls to some members who have 3 absent not notified marks.

New Business

Greg's Report: Greg joined the meeting and reported on the NIEA Legislative Summit and the visit to the Hill. He said that the NIEA meeting had about 200 people present and that the presentation on Head Start went well. During the Hill visits Greg thought that all issues were well received and was very glad to have Danny, Toni and Kathryn with him. He will make several phone calls later to follow up on our key points.

Canadian Connection: Jacki spoke of the warm welcome offered by the Canadians. She went prepared to share information on EHS and instead, became the facilitator with a wave of meetings with those programs interested in EHS and the provincial staff of Health Canada. She attended the evaluation meeting and shared with them the pitfalls of NRS. The provincial staff approached her after to seek more information. The main speaker and facilitator of several sessions was Bea Shawanda. Both would recommend her for our conferences. Mavany took materials from her program to share and offered to take to the NIHSDA board the Canadian address for contact information to begin linkages.

NHSA Meeting Report: Danny submitted his report previously to the board members and elaborated on some of the events.

Nina McFadden meeting report: Kathryn elaborated on the meeting with Nina and the first impressions. We can anticipate someone with good intentions who asks lots of questions and appears to have the professionalism and skills to produce positive change in the AIAN Office of Head Start. We will have the opportunity to meet her in Santa Fe.

Meeting With Brian Richmond: Danny submitted a written report prior to the meeting and highlighted some of the events and conversations he had during that day with Brian and the Collaboration meeting that followed.

NIHSDA Face-to-Face Board Meeting: Kathryn asked the board what would be necessary as far as refreshments for the mornings of the meetings and if we needed anything for breaks. Continental breakfast was approved with no break food or drink provided. Roll was taken for attendance at the face-to-face. 10 of the 21 members will

make it. A bulk of the work is done at face-to-face meetings so the 11 members will be missed.

09 Conference Update: Call for presenters has gone out last week and board members are urged to think of topics and speakers.

Committee Reports:

Committees will be meeting at the face-to-face meeting in Santa Fe later this month.

Budget, Finance and Fund development Committee –

Education/Information and Conference Committee –

Membership and Membership Services-

By-Laws, Governance and Board Development –

Executive Committee –

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PST. Jacki moved to adjourn the meeting and Pat seconded. The motion carried.