

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

**Call to Order:** Danny Wells, President, called the meeting to order at 11:01 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   |
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| President – Danny Wells<br>Immediate Past Pres – Ann Belleau<br>Treasurer – Gil Gonzales<br>Secretary – Mavany Verdugo<br>Region 1 – Frances Maney<br>Region 2 – John Pavek<br>– Kevin Hedstrom, Alt<br>Region 3 – Hilda Marshal<br>Region 4 – Mike Williamson<br>Region 5 – William Maes, Alt<br>– Kathleen Sando<br>Region 6 – Pat Foster<br>Region 7 – Gayle Johnson<br>Region 9 – Jackie Haight<br>– Patty Eningowuk, Alt.<br>Region 10 – Albert Rhinehart | Region 3 - Sara Young Bird, Alt.<br>Region 7 – Christi Jacobus, Alt<br>Region 8 – Vikki Bishop | Region 4 – Stephanie Carr, Alt<br>Region 8 – Viola Wood, Alt.<br>Region 10 – Malinda Besett, Alt |

**Others Present:** Kathryn Helsel, Toni Dobrec, Kristi Bentkowski, and Teri Stringer from the MCS were present.

**Agenda Approval:** The agenda was reviewed. It was requested to add seating region 7 alternate, Christi Jacobus and Jacki Haight to report on her recent experience with EHS expansion. Gil moved to accept the amended agenda, and Mavany seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**EHS Expansion Conversation:** Jacki received a letter from her program specialist, Linda Brooker asking if she was planning to seek EHS expansion funds. In conversation Jacki was informed that programs that have EHS currently will not be considered for expansion. Jacki wanted to know where it stated that. Craig Turner was questioned by the specialist and reversed the information and said that yes, the funds can be used for expansion but that it would be very structured with monthly reporting. The start up time will be very short. Pregnant women will be considered as two slots. So six women means twelve slots so they would need two classrooms. She was told to order the CDA packets now to have them ready. There will be new can #s and a new reporting mechanism. Because it is new stimulus money it will be set aside and not from the general HS pot of money. They must follow the money carefully. Clarity is needed with this push. Information should be coming from one source. Kathryn will call Angie for clarification, especially about the pregnant woman equals two slots.

**Approval of the Minutes of the face-to-face meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico, February 27 and 28, 2009:** The minutes were read and examined for corrections. Jacki moved to approve the minutes and Hilda seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gil reviewed the Check Register, Revenue Report and Expense Report. John moved to accept the treasurer's report and Ann seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

**Membership Report:** Kathryn gave an overview of the Regional Membership Report. There were two new members in the month of February. Welcome Karuk and Bishop.

**\$3 Per Child Campaign and Regional \$2,000 Commitment:** San Felipe and Coleville donated to the \$3 per child campaign.

**Attendance Record:** Kathryn provided the Board with a copy of the new Attendance Report for their information. Danny and Mavany will further review. Danny informed the board that he has already made some calls to members that were wavering.

### **New Business**

**Questions for Nina McFadden:** The board members at the Santa Fe meeting developed a list of questions for Nina to consider and give response. There was discussion about clarifying "competition" and Hilda wanted to know about funds for facilities for EHS both remodeling and new construction.

**09 Conference Update:** Ann Linehan will offer a pre-intensive. Jeff Gillory has also offered to do a workshop. Danny reported on the Oklahoma State Directors meeting. As the welcoming gift they will offer a chocolate bar in the shape of OK. Verna Thompson has offered scented votive candles as the departing gift. They also would like grantees to bring tribal flags. The Kiowas will drum and sing the flags in and out from conference. The members of the OK Directors are willing to work the silent auction. They also have ideas about the raffle items. A former state representative and Seminole Chief, Kelly Haney might be willing to donate a painting or other piece of original art. Verna is considering donating a special Pendleton blanket made especially for Oklahoma. All of these ideas are well received but need to be approved by the conference committee that will meet the 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00.

**Seating of Region 7 Alternate to the Board:** Gil introduced Christi Jacobus from Reno/Sparks as the newly elected Region 7 Alternate. Gil moved to accept Christi on to the board, John seconded and the motion passed.

**Committee Reports:**

**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. John moved to adjourn the meeting and Hilda seconded. The motion carried.