

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
August 12, 2021**

Roll Call/Establish Quorum: Roll call was taken by Teri Stringer. A quorum was established.

Call to Order: Immediate Past President, Tina Routh called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. CST

PRESENT	ABSENT NOTIFIED	ABSENT NOT NOTIFIED
Immediate Past President-Tina Routh Treasurer – Jenny Oatman Zone 2 – Luanne Wiggins, Alt Zone 3-Anne Reddy Zone 4–Robert Pickens Zone 5-Jo Williams Zone 7 – Rhonda Laughlin, Alt Zone 9- Debbi Lee Zone 9-Mary DuPuis, Alt.	President – Lee Turney Secretary-Ann Cameron Zone 1-Melissa Harris Zone 1 – Tina Saunooke, Alt Zone 3- Vonda Pourier, Alt Zone 6- Cheryl Conde Zone 6 – Tami Brungard, Alt. Zone 7- Crystal Kremensky Zone 8-DeAnn Brown Zone 10-Ethan Petticrew Zone 10 – Beverly Mierzjek, Alt.	Zone 2- Vanessa Goodthunder Zone 4- Cheryl DuBois, Alt. Zone 5 – Andrea Pesina, Alt

Others Present: Michelle Sauve, Acting Commissioner, ANA; Todd Lertjuntharangool, Program Manager, Region XI OHS; Kristi Bentkowski and Teri Stringer from Three Feathers Associates.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed. Jo moved to accept the agenda. Mary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of June minutes: Jo moved to approve the minutes. Robert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report: Jenny presented the treasurer’s reports for June and July. Melissa moved to approve the treasurer’s reports. Debbie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General Correspondence:

- Membership Matters Call: Call next Wed. Panel to discuss facilities.
- October Face to Face: Discussion to move the meeting to virtual. Many are unable or uncomfortable travelling.
- NIEA: Amy Foster-Wolferman will present 3 sessions sponsored by NIHSDA. Tina’s program will also present.
- Ann Linehan retirement: NIHSDA submitted a picture slide show with quotes from current and past NIHSDA presidents for her retirement celebration hosted by NNSA. There was also discussion of putting together a cultural box gift

ANA Update: Michelle Sauve

- ACF collecting social/emotional and academic impact on AIAN early childhood education
- Webinar series – Aug 23 Mental Health and Wellness,

Region XI Update:

- Planning to have registration out for the November conference around end of the month
- Aug 31 – PIR due
- May 20 PI: OHS is offering flexibility regarding returning to full services, but programs should have plans in place
- Virtual is not approved as a permanent form of service delivery
- AIAN CLASS pilot: 8 have passed so far, no result from the July cohort yet
- Encouraged programs to put in requests for facilities
- Luanne asked about the possibility of a future collaboration between ANA & OHS to increase language in classrooms. Michelle mentioned the possibility of providing bonus points to HS programs when applying

Committee Reports:

- Executive Committee (June/July): Membership matters call, NIEA, Face to Face meeting, Voices for Healthy Kids ECE policy, TTA Steering Committee, ACF-Transforming ECE in Indian Country, Ann L. Retirement, Operating Reserve Fund Policy
- Governance Committee: Odd zone reps, Membership survey, MCS evaluation, Operating reserve policy, NIHSDA board orientation
- Finance Committee: June financials, Op Reserve Policy, Cash Carryover/Transfer

Jo moved to accept the committee reports. Debbie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NHSA Representatives:

- The President automatically serves – Lee Turney
- Jenny and Melissa are willing to continue – No others interested

Debbie moved to approve Lee, Jenny, and Melissa as representatives to the NHSA board. Robert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Zone Representatives: Odd zones – no new nominees, all current are willing to remain.

Jo moved to seat all current odd zone reps and alternates. Robert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Melissa moved to adjourn the meeting. Robert seconded. Motion carried. 2:53pm CST.