

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
January 13, 2022**

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

Call to Order: President, Lee Turney called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. CST

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

Others Present: Kristi Bentkowski and Teri Stringer from Three Feathers Associates. Todd Lertjuntharangool, Region XI Program Manager (OHS)

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed, Dr. Futrell was unable to attend. Jo moved to accept the agenda. Robert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of December minutes: Robert moved to approve the minutes. DeAnn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of December Treasurer’s Report: Teri presented the treasurer’s report. Robert moved to approve the treasurer’s report. Crystal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General Correspondence:

- The Safe Infant Sleep National Coalition (AAP) contacted NIHSDA to be a partner. Melissa has agreed to serve in this capacity.
- Vaccine Stay in 25 States - AIAN HS has programs in 13 of the states involved in the lawsuit. Programs in those states do not have to follow the new vaccine requirements at this time. Some of the programs in those states have Tribal mandates in place already.
- NHSA Workforce Compensation Workgroup – Build Back Better is on hold, but NHSA wants to have a plan in case the ECE portion is pulled out separate. The consensus is that money needs to be distributed quickly but equitably. Formula is quick, but not always equitable for small programs. One idea was to distribute it formula by staff – focus on all positions. Concern that BBB money is only guaranteed for 5 years.

OHS Update from Todd L.:

- OHS is beginning a 4 part webinar series focusing on full enrollment.
- The fall FACES data collection had low participation, most likely due to COVID. They are working with OPRE to see if enough data was gathered to be considered reliable.
- The government is still on a CR through February. There are some proposed increases.
- Workforce impacts: identify challenges. Try to match requirements across the board. OHS wants to hear info on barriers to CDAs.
- IFC Litigation: there are currently 2 lawsuits with preliminary injunctions for both.

Committee Reports: Teri provided committee report

- Advocacy Committee: FY '22 and '23 Appropriations ask, Strategic Plan, Talking Points, TTA Structure
- Finance: Dec financials, carry-over balance, Fund development report, '22 fundraising ideas, KH Memorial Fund

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

Adjourn: DeAnn moved to adjourn the meeting. Jo seconded. Motion carried 2:42 pm CST.