

**NIHSDA  
Board of Directors Meeting  
August 13, 2020**

**Roll Call/Establish Quorum:** Roll call was taken by Secretary, Ann Cameron. A quorum was established.

**Call to Order:** President, Tina Routh called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. EST.

PRESENT	ABSENT NOTIFIED	ABSENT NOT NOTIFIED
President – Tina Routh President Elect-Lee Turney Secretary-Ann Cameron Zone 1-Melissa Harris Zone 3-Anne Reddy Zone 3- Vonda Pourier, Alt. Zone 4–Robert Pickens Zone 5-Jo Williams Zone 5 – Andrea Pesina, Alt Zone 6- Cheryl Conde Zone 6 – Tami Brungard, Alt. Zone 7- Crystal Kremensky Zone 7 – Rhonda Laughlin, Alt Zone 8-Jenny Oatman	Treasurer- Carlos Powell, Sr. Zone 2- Vanessa Goodthunder Zone 9- Debbi Lee Zone 9- Kendal Peterson, Alt	Zone 2 – Luanne Wiggins, Alt Zone 4- Sherry Rackliff, Alt. Zone 10-Ethan Petticrew Zone 10- Connie Wirz, Alt.

**Others Present:** Kristi Bentkowski and Teri Stringer from Three Feathers Associates.

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

**Approval of the minutes from July:** Cheryl moved to approve the minutes. Jo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approval of Treasurer’s Report:** Kristi presented the treasurer’s reports for July. Jo moved to approve the treasurer’s reports. Melissa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Communication Update:**

- NIHSDA Information Update – The Wednesday after each board meeting, board members will receive the update for Zone representatives to submit to the Directors in each Zone.
- Linda Smith Bipartisan Policy Center – formed a group of ECE representatives to discuss common issues and form a workgroup.
- Lena Program –
- Tele-health pilot – NRC University of Chicago is working on a tele-health pilot reached out to NIHSDA to partner along with the Migrant Head Start Association.
- Partnership Report Template – A report template for board reps to use to report back to the board if they represent NIHSDA on other boards or committees.

## **Partnership Update:**

- COVID-19 Survey with TRC – Two surveys that NIHSDA is working with TRC - 1) Family Needs 2) COVID-19
- NHA Grant Opportunity – NIHSDA will formally partner with NHA for a grant from RWJ Foundation to work on state equity issues for health related issues.
- AIAN Collaboration Update – Contract ends at the end of the month. They are examining how cuts in state and tribal budgets will affect programs. Also looking at how LEAs are providing disabilities services during closures/restrictions.

## **Committee Reports and Plans:**

Committee chairs presented the following committee reports. Details are provided in each committee report: Details of committee work were verbally presented for approval.

- Executive Committee – NHA Partnership grant, August agenda, MCS Evaluation, MCS Invoice for conference, NIEA MOU, NIEA conference, marketing & communication plan, membership update, election update, NHA Directors Tour.
- Governance Committee – proposed by-law change vote, MCS Evaluation, membership survey, NIHSDA Info Flyer, review of the NIHSDA operations manual chapter 10 partnerships and collaboration.

Jo made the motion to approve the committee reports including action recommended by the committees. Crystal seconded. Motion carried.

**AIAN Update:** Todd joined the call to provide updates. The discussion with Todd included: The TA contract has been awarded on August 1<sup>st</sup> to ICF. The rest of the contracts should be awarded at the end of August (monitoring, national centers, collaboration). The Region is using region data to identify priorities for the region. Todd requested priorities from NIHSDA also. AIAN conference for 2021 will be revisited. The identified priorities will inform conference topics. The tribal consultations are being worked on for virtual sessions. He provided an update on the AIAN CLASS Pilot.

**Membership Survey Results:** The membership committee will review results and develop recommendations. Teri reviewed the survey results.

**Membership 20-21 Update:** Teri provided an update on the current membership.

**Nomination/Election Update:** Teri provided an update on the status of elections for each zone up for election.

**Other:** None

**Adjourn:** Jenny moved to adjourn the meeting. Jo seconded. Motion carried.