

**NIHSDA
Board of Directors Meeting
January 11, 2024**

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

Call to Order: President-Elect, Andrea Pescina called the meeting to order at 2:19 p.m. EST.

PRESENT	ABSENT NOTIFIED	ABSENT NOT NOTIFIED
<p>President Elect – Andrea Pesina Treasurer – Jenny Oatman Secretary-Ann Cameron Zone 1 – Tina Routh</p> <p>Zone 2 - vacant, Alt.</p> <p>Zone 4–Jayme Trevino Zone 5 - Jo Williams Zone 5 – Kathleen Sando, Alt Zone 7- Crystal Kremensky Zone 8-DeAnn Brown Zone 10 - Christa Green Zone 10 – Kristin Ramstad, Alt.</p>	<p>President – Melissa Harris Zone 2- Vanessa Goodthunder Zone 3- Vonda Pourier Zone 3-Anne Reddy, Alt Zone 4- Cheryl DuBois, Alt. Zone 6 – Tami Brungard Zone 7 – Stacey Cobb, Alt Zone 8 - Hilary Gourneau, Alt. Zone 9 – Debbie Sioux Lee Zone 9-Mary DuPuis, Alt.</p>	<p>Zone 1-Tina Saunooke, Alt.</p>

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

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

Approval of November/December minutes: Tina R. moved to approve the minutes. Jo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of November/December Treasurer’s Report: Jenny presented the treasurer’s report. Jo moved to approve the treasurer’s report. Christa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General Correspondence:

- Legislative Update: Kristi provided an update. Appropriations and budget from Congress, CR expires Feb.2 , eligibility language in both Senate and House bills, better language in the Senate bill, letter to tribal leaders will be sent out.
- New Director (Jan 23-25, Austin) (Tina Routh): Tina will attend and serve as a mentor and represent NIHSDA.
- Cox Farms Donation: Sending another donation for 45,000. Discussion for ideas to use the donation. Direct impact to children.
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Committee Reports

- Advocacy: committee report reviewed
- Finance: committee report reviewed.

Christa moved to accept the committee reports. Tina R. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Region XI Update: Todd joined the meeting. Topics included: OHS is initiating (Jan) recipient needs assessment that will inform the annual PD plan (goal to complete by April) with PD plan to implement in August, working on ways to improve change of scope applications, new strategies to advocate for our programs, expansion for AIAN and EHS partnership grant announcements – Todd is waiting for an update and will let us know, programs waiting for award letters, CR until Feb. 2, can programs submit combined applications (CCDF/HS) for facility funding (yes), new facility guide, funding for facilities (won't know until federal budget is complete) but unobligated funding is typically used to fund facilities projects.

NPRM: Teri sent an email with guidance to submit comments. Deadline Jan. 19, Webinar held on Jan. 10 about the draft comments for input. Do we want to sign on to NHSA comments – Teri will email NHSA final draft for a vote to sign-on.

NHSA Winter Leadership (Jan 22-25): NISDA invited to present. However, late notice prevented participation.

March Face-to-Face Board Meeting: Possibly during April in DC or at the southwest conference in March. No meeting at the conference in March. Teri and Kristi will begin working on an alternative meeting place.

2025/2026 Conference Location: Teri and Kristi will seek proposals to do a comparison.

For the Good of the Board and Adjourn: Tina R. made the motion to adjourn, JO seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 3:48 pm EST.