

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Tribal Council Meeting Minutes)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the Secretary of the Tribal Council is responsible for keeping and maintaining minutes of all Council meetings; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIII, Section 5 of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the order of business requires a reading of the minutes; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council Secretary requested for approval of the attached meeting minutes prepared from the Tribal Council meetings held on January 24, 2019; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to approve the meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on January 24, 2019, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on January 24, 2019, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>FEBRUARY 6, 2019</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against with <u>ZERO</u> abstaining by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 284).

Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date



White Mountain Apache Tribe

Special Meeting Minutes January 24, 2019 – 9:00 A.M. Executive Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER:

- A. The Meeting was called to order at 9:12 A.M. by Chairwoman Gwendena Lee Gatewood
- B. Prayer was offered by Alvin Declay
- C. Roll Call: Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey, Travis Tessay (late arrival), Arnold Beach, Jerold Altaha, Renaldo Dazen, Alvin Declay, Ralph Thomas, Gary Alchesay, Everett Massey (Excused: Alvena Bush on Travel to Portland, Oregon)

Attorneys: Kealoha Douma

II. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. <u>Authorizing Amendment No. 3 to Intergovernmental Agreement for Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response Program Jessica Rudolfo/Brando Alekay</u>

 Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Ralph Thomas to approve resolution <u>Authorizing Amendment 3</u>

 to IGA for Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response Program as presented. Vote: 9-0-0

 Motion passed.
- B. Johns-Hopkins Program Resolution Approvals: Francene Larzelere/Novalene Goklish
 - Presentations at Annual Conferences & Funding Agencies
 The resolutions lists all 54 projects current and past projects. Behavioral and mental health programs listed up to No. 31, and 32-54 are infectious disease projects that have taken place.
 18 conferences are also listed on the resolution. This is an annual request for January to December 2019. The studies listed will have no personal identifiers.
 - Motion by Vice Jerome Kasey, seconded by Gary Alchesay to approve resolution as presented.
 Vote: 9-0-0. Unanimous. Motion passed.
 JH Program Director was admonished to submit documents for Council meeting packets in a timely manner as meeting packets must be received by the Council on the Fridays before the meeting for Council review.
 - Amendment to Narch X Group A Streptococcus Staphylococuss Study
 The Resolution 04-17-71 was approved to study the diseases among WM Apache People.
 Would like to include to evaluation, test stored isolates from participants. The program was given approval for additional two years.
 - Motioned by Renaldo Dazen, seconded by Alvin Declay to approve resolution as presented. Vote: 9-0-0 Motion passed.

(Note: Travis Tessay arrived at this point after the vote.)

3. PSE – PECO 1&2 Grant Proposals

PSE Approach to Decreasing Disparities in Native American Early Childhood Nutrition and Weight Status grant proposal. The Grant proposal will build upon the Prevention of Early childhood obesity 1&2 (PECO).

Motioned by Vice Jerome Kasey, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to approve resolution.

Vote: 9-0-1 Motion passed.

4. RSV – Surveillance Grant Proposals

This is for a better understanding of medication used and if they are effective and to get a surveillance system such as with other studies. It was reported RSV in younger children, start as early as October to May, whereas off-reservation, it starts happening in November to March.

• Motioned by Vice Jerome Kasey, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to approve RSV-Surveillance Grant Proposals. Vote: 9-0-1 Motion passed.

5. Haemophilus Influenzae Study

The H. flu is higher in native populations than the general population for reasons unknown. Johns Hopkins is requesting to do a research on the H. flu aimed at disease prevention and control.

 Motioned by Travis Tessay, seconded by Arnold Beach to approve resolution, Haemophilus Influenzae Study as presented. Vote: 10-0-0 Motion passed.

6. Authorizing Publication of Certain Manuscripts by Johns Hopkins Personnel

Motioned by Vice Jerome Kasey, seconded by Jerold Altaha to approve resolution as presented. Vote: 10-0-0 Motion passed.

- "Reduction of Sugar Sweetened Beverage Consumption among American Indian Adolescents Participation in the Together on Diabetes Program"
- 2. "Photovoice with Indigenous Youth in the Feast for the Future
- 3. "Toward Precision Home-Visiting: Who Benefits from Evidence-Based Family Spirit Intervention and How?
- 4. "The burden of Staphylococcus aureus among Native Americans on the WMAT Lands"
- "Impact of Laboratory Methods-colonization density and age on detection of Streptococcus pneumonia in the nasopharynx of healthy Native Americans"

Francene Larzelere reported Jimmie Briggs wants to write an article about the Tribe's Suicide Surveillance system and to publish it in NY Times. She will have a conference call with him tomorrow. Chairwoman advised her to find out logistics and to report back to the council.

Other: The council was reminded of dinner meeting with WMATCO on Feb. 13 – 400 P.M. at Hondah.

Overcrowed Cemeteries:

Jerold Altaha brought concerns about the over-crowed cemeteries:

- ✓ There have been a lot of deaths, and he has received many concerns about graves being dug on top of other graves.
- ✓ Burials in Cornfields-- We cannot be allowing that.
- ✓ The cemetery in Cedar Creek needs to be closed due to flooding and fire.
- ✓ Whiteriver cemetery is full and Canyon Day cemetery is overcrowded.

- ✓ Attorney Douma spoke of an issue last week of burial feuds in the land office. She asked Colbert Burnette to take that up again regarding cemeteries because council had asked him that before as part of responsibilities for Planning.
- ✓ Arnold Beach stated in 2009 council passed resolution to start a new cemetery behind One Step Beyond. Start a new location in that area.
- ✓ Burials are to be in designated areas only per health and safety code.
- ✓ Burials at Post Office Canyon, no longer allow this area as a burial site.
- ✓ Issue a Public Notice, effective immediately, no more burials other than in designated areas due to Health and Safety code.
- Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to reinforce from this day forward that burials are only to be in a tribally mandated area. Vote:
 Attorney Douma advised "this needs to be addressed from all angles".
- Jerold Altaha withdrew his motion. This will be done as a consensus for now, until it is addressed with Colbert Burnette.
- III. ADJOURNMENT: The Chairwoman called for adjournment at 11:15 A.M.

Recorder: Doreen T. Numkena – Tribal Council Secretary