

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL
AGENDA

MARCH 25, 2017
10:00 AM
TRIBAL OFFICE
1701 E STREET
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Invocation
 - b. Roll Call
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. March 6, 2017
- IV. RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS
- V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
- VI. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORT
- VII. JACOB OLSUFKA, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
 - a. Schedule of Expenditures Report as of 2/28/17
 - b. Indirect Cost Report as of 2/28/17
 - c. General Fund Report as of 2/28/17
 - d. Committee Report as of 2/28/17
 - e. Tribal Council Budget Summary Report as of 3/16/17
 - f. Miscellaneous Report for February 2017
 - g. Grants Compliance Coordinator Job Description Revised – MOTION (Elise Emanuel, Grant Mgr.)
 - h. Tribal Council Workday Policy – DISCUSSION (Councilman Wendzillo)
- VIII. JONATHAN ROBINSON, HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR
 - a. 2017 Stop Loss Renewal – MOTION
 - b. Human Resource Director Report
- IX. ELISE EMANUAL, GRANT MANAGER
 - a. Institute of Museum and Library Services Grant - RESOLUTION
 - b. Grant Manager Report
- X. STEPHANIE POSPISIL, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES
 - a. Sexual Assault Awareness Month – RESOLUTION
 - b. Burial Policy in Service Delivery Area Revised – MOTION
 - c. ICWA Discussion
 - d. Social Service Department Update
- XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. Opposition to Keystone Pipeline – RESOLUTION
 - b. Elders Council Budget – MOTION (Candace Bossard)
 - c. Gary Davis Youth Activities Budget – MOTION (Tom Wright, EDTA)
 - d. Burial Insurance Update (Tom Wright)
 - e. Proposed Solution for Transportation Issues (Tom Wright)
- XII. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Brad Jolly Legal Billing Statement – MOTION
 - b. Board & Committee Appointments – DISCUSSION/MOTION
 - c. Norfolk Teammates Request – MOTION
- XIII. OTHER BUSINESS
- XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - a. Confidential Matter (Chairman Wright)
- XV. ADJOURN

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
(for employees only)

DATE SUBMITTED: 3/15/17

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Meeting of: Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 3/25/17

Subject: Revised Job Description for Grants Compliance Coordinator

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)
Motion to approve a revised job description for the Grants Compliance Coordinator position.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Elise Emanuel

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DATE SUBMITTED: 3/20/2017

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Meeting of: Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 3/25-26/2017


Subject: Stop-Loss Renewal

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

- Motion to approve the 2017 Stop-Loss renewal

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Jonathan Robinson

APPROVED 
EDTA/CEO/DOF/HRD

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Meeting of: Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 3/25/17

Subject: Resolution – IMLS grant application

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)
Requesting a resolution to authorize 1) an application to the Institute of Museum & Library Services for continued funding to support tribal library services and 2) Elise Emanuel to submit said application on the Tribe's behalf.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Elise Emanuel, Grant Manager

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 17-_____

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is a federally recognized Indian Tribe (P.L. 101-484) whose business affairs are conducted by the Ponca Tribal Council as defined in the Constitution approved July 22, 1994 by the Acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, the Ponca Tribal Council exercises legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Tribe has the authority to submit an application on behalf of the Native American individuals in the Tribe and to administer programs and activities under this program; and

WHEREAS: The Native American Library Services Program is a program designed to expand services for learning and access to information and educational resources in a variety of formats, in all types of libraries, for individuals of all ages in order to support such individuals' needs for education, lifelong learning, workforce development, and digital literacy skills; and

WHEREAS: A Native American Library Services basic grant would allow the Tribe to support existing library operations and to maintain core library services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Grant Manager, Elise Emanuel, is approved to submit the application for funding administered by the Institute of Museum & Library Services on behalf of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska.

CERTIFICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY AND AFFIRM that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly authorized and passed by the Ponca Tribal Council on the 25th day of March, 2017, at a duly called meeting held in Lincoln, Nebraska, by a vote of _____ Ayes; _____ Nays; _____ Abstained; _____ Absent. Chairperson _____ voting _____ not voting. A Quorum of _____ was present.

ATTEST

Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

Candace Bossard, Secretary
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
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DATE SUBMITTED: March 13, 2017

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Meeting of: Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: March 25, 2017

Subject: Sexual Assault Awareness Month

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

Motion to approve the Resolution recognizing April 2017 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Resolution attached

Submitted By: Stephanie Pospisil, Director of Social Services.

APPROVED **Thomas Wright**
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Executive Director of Tribal Affairs

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 17-_____

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is a federally recognized Indian Tribe (P.L. 101-484) whose business affairs are conducted by the Ponca Tribal Council as defined in the Constitution approved July 22, 1994 by the Acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, the Ponca Tribal Council exercises legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: In Indian Country, an alarming number of Native women experience physical, sexual, or emotional abuse as part of a controlling or violent dating relationship. The consequences of dating violence poses a threat to the health and well-being of women and men in our communities, and it is essential we come together to break the cycle of violence that burdens too many of our people. This month, we are committed to providing critical support and services for victims of sexual assault and empowering survivors with the tools to cultivate healing.

WHEREAS: During the month of April, we as a tribal government, programs, and communities, will work to raise awareness about the prevalence of sexual violence in our communities because of the atrocious impact it has on our people's lives;

WHEREAS: Recent statistics from the Department of Justice indicate one in three American Indian and Alaska Native women will be sexual assault during their lifetime—a rate more than twice the national average;

WHEREAS, survivors of sexual assault have the highest rate of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder than any other survivor of violent crimes and may lead to depression and possible suicide attempts;

WHEREAS, Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, our programs, staff, and partnering agencies strive to support and empower survivors of sexual assault throughout their healing journey;

WHEREAS, by providing our communities with education about awareness, programs, and services available to increase awareness to develop healthy relationships and relationship skills and by changing attitudes that support violence, we recognize that sexual violence can be prevented; and

WHEREAS, The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month will focus on youth and adult prevention and awareness, mental health, and sexual assault bystander intervention; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council does hereby proclaim April as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month in our tribal nation, and encourages all of our citizens to partake in sexual assault awareness events.

CERTIFICATION

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ATTEST

Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

Candace Bossard, Secretary
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

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Meeting of: XX Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 3/25/2017

Subject: Burial Policy in Service Delivery Area

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

Motion to approve the revised policy for BIA burial assistance within the Service Delivery Area.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? XX Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Stephanie Pospisil, Social Services Director

APPROVED 
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs

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Meeting of: XX Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 3/25/2017

Subject: ICWA Discussion

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

ICWA Update to coincide with the Social Services Update

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? XX Yes No
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Submitted By: Stephanie Pospisil

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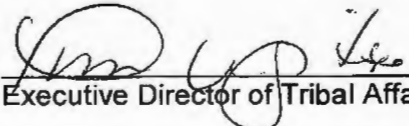
Subject: Social Services Department Update

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? XX Yes No
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Funding descriptions are attached.

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APPROVED 
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs

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AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
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Meeting of: X Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 03/25/17

Subject: Gary Davis Youth Activity Budget

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

Motion to approve the budget for the upcoming youth activity on
April 21st.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? X Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Thomas Wright, II

APPROVED Thomas Wright
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs

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