PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL
AGENDA

APRIL 3, 2017
10:00 AM
TRIBAL HEADQUARTERS
2523 WOODBINE STREET
NIOBRARA, NEBRASKA

I. CALL TO ORDER
   a. Roll Call
II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   a. March 25, 2017
   b. March 26, 2017
IV. RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS
V. ADELITA GUERUE, BIA SUPERINTENDENT – YANKTON AGENCY
VI. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
VII. ACTION ITEM UPDATES
VIII. STEPHANIE POSPISIL, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES
   a. Social Services Training and Outreach Specialist Job Description Revised – MOTION
IX. JESSIE HOVER, HEALTH PLANNER
   a. National Institute of Health Suicide Prevention Funding – RESOLUTION
X. BRETT ELLIS, TRIBAL COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST
   a. Ponca Remembrance Walk Videographer - MOTION
XI. KITRINA KEY, ENROLLMENT SPECIALIST
   a. Approval of Applicants – RESOLUTION
XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. Tribal Council Budget Policy Revised – DISCUSSION/MOTION (Councilman Wendzillo)
   b. Discussion Regarding Boards/Committees (Chairman Wright)
XIII. NEW BUSINESS
   a. 2017 Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway Partnership Drive Request – MOTION
XIV. OTHER BUSINESS
XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION
   a. Jacob Olsufka, Director of Finance - Annual Evaluation
XVI. ADJOURN
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
(for employees only)

DATE SUBMITTED: 3/24/2017

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Meeting of: ___XX__ Tribal Council
________ Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 4/3/2017

Subject: Training and Outreach Job Description approval

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

Approve the revised job description for the Training and Outreach Specialist. This position will be located in Sioux City instead of Niobrara.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Stephanie Pospisil, Social Services Director

APPROVED
Thomas Wright
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
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DATE SUBMITTED: 3/24/17

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Meeting of: ___X___ Tribal Council
________ Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 4/3/17

Subject: NIH Grant Proposal Partnership – HealthEMotion

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)
Resolution to support application for NIH suicide prevention funding by Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Health Board with PTN as a subrecipient.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? ___X___Yes ______No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Jessie Hover

APPROVED

Chief Executive Officer
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 shall exercise legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Health Board (GPTCHB) is composed of seventeen (17) Tribes and one (1) Health organization in a four state area; North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Iowa; and

WHEREAS: Federally recognized Indian Tribes have an absolute right to health care from the Federal Government, based on treaty rights, on Congressional Acts, on Federal Court decisions, and on the Federal Government’s trust responsibility to Indian Tribes; and

WHEREAS: The GPTCHB is primarily responsible for the public health concerns and needs of the Indian Tribes in the Great Plains Area; and

WHEREAS: Reservations in the Great Plains Area experience unacceptably high rates of traumatizing mental distress, depression, risk for suicide and related health problems in adolescents and young adults; and

WHEREAS: Mobile phones are commonly used by Tribal youth as devices for carrying on relationships with peers; and

WHEREAS: These technologies have also shown promise for as means for the delivery of public health interventions to improve mood, reduce levels of distress and lead to an increased sense of well-being; and

WHEREAS: The anticipated benefits of the research project, if funded, may lead to improvements in general health and well-being, greater understanding of the role of peer influences on suicide risk, long-term reductions in suicide attempts/fatalities in study participants, and employment opportunities for tribal members in connection with the project; and

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska will support recruitment of participants and contribute to the community-based adaptation, implementation, testing, and dissemination of study results of the technology-based suicide prevention model in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS: The Board has delegated the responsibility of the Great Plains Tribal Epidemiology Center to assist Tribes with the identification and development of research agendas, plans, protocols and publications in collaboration with tribal organizations working to improve the health and well-being of Tribal members; and

WHEREAS: The overall purpose of the NIH funding opportunity is to conduct research focused on reducing the burden of suicide and promoting resilience among American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth; and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska by this resolution does hereby support the submission of an application for funding of NIH funding opportunity announcement, "PAR-14-260* Interventions for Health Promotion and Disease prevention in Native American Populations (R01)" through the Great Plains Tribal Epidemiology Center working with academic and tribal partners to address the mental health needs of Ponca American Indian youth.

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 ___ day of April, 2017 at a duly called meeting held at Niobrara, 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: 3/28/2017  

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Meeting of: __x____ Tribal Council  
________ Executive Committee  

Meeting Date: 4/3/2017  

Subject: Ponca Remembrance Walk  

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)  
Discussion about revised budget for Ponca Remembrance Walk, including videographer bids, and motion to approve additional funding from Tribal Council.

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? __x____Yes  _____No  
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)  

Submitted By: Brett Ellis and Randy Teboe  

APPROVED  

Thomas Wright  
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs
DATE SUBMITTED: 03/24/2017

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Meeting of: X Tribal Council
Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 04/03/2017

Subject: Applicants

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)
- Motion to approve (Y) applicants. [YES]

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes X No (Confidential and will be brought to the meeting)

Submitted By:

Kitrina Key – Enrollment Specialist

Approved by: Thomas Wright
Executive Director of Tribal Affairs
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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 Enrollment Committee has reviewed the applications of individuals to determine whether they are eligible for membership according to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS: The Enrollment Committee hereby recommends that the Ponca Tribal Council approve the attached list of thirty-seven (37) individuals to be eligible for placement on the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Roll.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribal Council approves the attached list of thirty-seven (37) applicants to be eligible for placement on the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Roll.

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ATTEST

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