

**National Association of Indigenous Institutes of Higher Learning
Board Meeting – January 11, 2002
Carriage House, Calgary, AB**

Board Members Present:

Murray Maracle, Director, First Nation Training Institute, ON
Amelia Clark, President, Old Sun Community College, AB
Eleanor Bernard, Director, Mi'kmaq College Institute, NS
Barb Morin, Director, George Manual Institute, BC
Brian Madarash, Native Education Centre, BC
Marie Smallface Marule, President, Red Crow Community College, AB
Kirby Smith, Peigan
Doreen Beauchamp, Director, Yellowquill College, MB

Others:

Lu Ann McDonald, Aboriginal Institutes of Ontario
Vivian Ayoungman, Treaty 7 Tribal Council
Charles Fiddler, Stoney

Chair: Murray Maracle

1. **Review of previous meeting minutes:**
Brian to resend information re: logo contest; deadline extended to Ottawa meeting – February 14, 2002.
Abstract for WIPCE has been completed and will be sent next week.
2. **Motion**
Moved by Eleanor Bernard; seconded by Barb Morin
To accept the minutes. Carried.
3. **Protocol agreement with AFN**
Review and revision of draft.
4. **Funding update**
Verbally agreed to by INAC. Letters to C. Bernier and C. Kinsey distributed for information purposes.
5. **Incorporation of Board**
Waiting for letters patent.
6. **Board Promotional Items**
Pens and pins distributed. Web site almost ready.

7. **Future Workplan 2002 – 2003**
- a) Summit (long term results)
 - research consensus with feds re: our higher education requirements
 - strategy for resolving jurisdictional issues with provinces
 - joint hosting of summit between INAC & NAIHL
 - b) Membership
 - updated list
 - profile of each institution and political supporters (profile to include geographical, political, and educational information)
 - c) Secretariat
 - may want to look at some models
 - need to look at cost-sharing
 - d) Memo to Chantel Bernier
 - need to negotiate with Chantel
 - resourcing and recognition
 - e) Recognition (Process v. Theory)
 - develop paper that deals with how to increase recognition
 - develop policy where feds agree to give funding to do things they are responsible for
 - enabling process that allows for resources to flow
 - “need some kind of formal recognition”
 - examine process for resourcing and have input at all levels of government from the Cabinet memo and recognition through memo to Cabinet for change in policy
 - maximize communication and understanding of aboriginal institutes at all levels, such as federal and provincial departments and industrial stakeholders. (Present to INAC prior to April 1 for funding negotiations and finalization of \$100,000.)
8. **Motion**
Moved by Marie Smallface-Marule; seconded by Barb Morin
To adopt the above workplan. Carried.
9. **Summit**
NAIHL should control agenda; need to draft letter as per Winnipeg meeting to Chantel Bernier.
To be held in Ottawa at the end of May or early June and invite DMs, ADMs, etc.
Agenda to include:
- a) Briefing document (profile of institutions)
 - b) Showcase (3 institutes)
 - c) Government briefing
 - d) Roundtable discussions

10. Roy Weasel Fat and Henry Big Throat gave a brief presentation on their work which will include research on alternative funding models.
11. Contracts with Red Crow Community College for \$13,000 and with George Manual Institute for \$10,000. Barb will be requesting information on ISSP funding for institutes—send to her asap.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m..