

Board of Directors **Special Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 17, 2021
Bishop, CA – TIHP Conf. Center



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley:

- Virgil "Dave" Moose
- Michael Bacoeh, III.
- Charlotte David, Alternate

Bishop Paiute Tribe:

- Tilford Denver
- Vacant
- Jeff Romero, Alternate

Bridgeport Indian Colony:

- Ervin Lent, Sr.
- Janice Mendez – VICE-CHAIRPERSON
- Vacant, Alternate

Fort Independence Indian Reservation:

- Marilyn Bracken
- Rick Maddux – TREASURER
- Lindsey Stine, Alternate

Lone Pine Paiute-Shoshone Reservation:

- Richard Button
- Robert Zucco – SECRETARY
- Melvin Joseph, Alternate

Timbisha Shoshone Tribe:

- George Gholson – CHAIRMAN
- Jimmy-John Thompson
- Carmen Armitage, Alternate

Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe:

- Vacant
- Geraldine Cady
- Jerold Blain, Alternate

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Julie Hemann, HR Manager
- Susan Lovelace, Executive Assistant to the CEO

GUEST(S) PRESENT:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chairman, George Gholson, called the meeting to order at 9:04A.M.

II. INVOCATION

An invocation was given by Janice Mendez.

III. ROLL CALL

Board Secretary, conducted roll call, establishing a quorum to conduct business with 11 Board members present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

George Gholson added the vaccination approval from the Committee Meeting to the agenda under New Business. Ervin asked if the Bishop Paiute Delegates needed to be reseated, which according to the By-laws is not required. The vote to reinstate is all that was required. Tilford Denver would like to add Bishop Paiute Tribe as a discussion item.

MOTION: To approve the meeting agenda, with additions.

M/S/C: Ervin Lent, Sr. / Tilford Denver / Carried unanimously.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Vaccination Approval

This would be to allow non-native people that work on Tribal land or live within Tribal households, like Headstart/Casino/Tribal staff, to get the vaccine at Toiyabe. It was made clear that Native people will always be prioritized to get the vaccine.

MOTION: To approve moving forward with vaccinating non-native people that work for the Tribe's, on the reservation, and non-natives that live in Native households.

M/S/C: Tilford Denver / Jimmy-John Thompson / Carried unanimously.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: To enter Executive Session at 9:14am.

M/S/C: Janice Mendez / Jeff Romero / Carried unanimously.

CEO Interviews

Discussion – Bishop Paiute Tribe Meeting

To push back meeting to a later date.

MOTION: To exit Executive Session at 1:16pm.

M/S/C: Rick Maddux. / Ervin Lent, Sr. / Carried unanimously.

MOTION: To move forward with the hiring of Joseph Herman as Chief Executive Officer.

M/S/C: Jimmy-John Thompson / Geraldine Cady / Carried unanimously.

XVIII. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting will be, Friday, March 5, 2021 @ 9:00 A.M. in Bishop, CA, TIHP Conference Center/Webex.

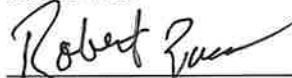
MOTION: *To adjourn the meeting.*

M/S/C: *Jeff Romero / Jimmy-John Thompson / Carried unanimously; the meeting thusly adjourned at 1:26P.M.*

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Lovelace
Recording Secretary

Reviewed & authorized by:



Robert Zucco
Secretary, TIHP Board of Directors