



IYAKAPTAPI—BIG COULEE DISTRICT SISSETON-WAHPETON OYATE

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Regular District Meeting Minutes Sunday, January 29, 2023 – 1PM

BCD Executives Present:

Chairwoman: Lynn Halbert
Vice-Chairwoman: Mary Jo Keeble
Treasurer: Viva DuBois
Secretary: William "Billy" Kohl

BCD Executives Absent:

None

BCD SWO Tribal Councilwoman:

A. Susie Amos

District Members Present (Signed-In):

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With a quorum established, the meeting was called to order by Lynn Halbert, Chairwoman at 1:17PM.

Opening prayer was offered by Solomon Harvey Quinn.

Motion #1 was made to adopt the agenda for this meeting by Myrna Thompson, second by Viva DuBois, and questioned by Robert J. Kohl. Motion Carried.

Note... There were no regular meeting for November 2022 and December 2022.

SWO Council Report – A. Susie Amos, BCD Councilwoman

The following minutes were provided for the district membership.

Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, November 1, 2022
Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, November 2, 2022
Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, November 8, 2022
Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, November 9, 2022
Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, November 30, 2022
Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, December 6, 2022
Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes – Friday, December 30, 2022

Motion #2 was made to approve the SWO Council Report by Sheila Mendenhall, second by Geraldine Opsal, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

Approval of Regular District Meeting Minutes of Sunday, October 30, 2022

Motion #3 was made to approve the Regular District Meeting Minutes of Sunday, October 30, 2022 with corrections by Lorraine German, second by Myrna Thompson, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

Approval of District Executive Meeting Minutes of Monday, November 21, 2022

Motion #4 was made to approve the BCD Executive Meeting Minutes of Monday, November 21, 2022 by Viva DuBois, second by Lorraine German, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

Approval of District Executive Meeting Minutes of Monday, December 19, 2022

Motion #5 was made to approve the BCD Executive Meeting Minutes of Monday, December 19, 2022 by Lorraine German, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Elizabeth Hill. Motion Carried.

Approval of District Executive Meeting Minutes of Thursday, January 5, 2023

Motion #6 was made to start paying out Energy Assistance for 2023 by Dawn Godfrey, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Myrna Thompson. Motion Carried.

Motion #7 was made to approve the BCD Executive Meeting Minutes of Thursday, January 5, 2023 by Sheila Mendenhall, second by Geraldine Opsal, and questioned by Robert J. Kohl. Motion Carried.

District Chairman's Association (DCA) Report – Lynn Halbert – Chairwoman

Motion #8 was made to have the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and the Native American Rights Foundation (NARF) investigate the Roberts County Jail for treatment of those incarcerated there by Wayne German, Sr., second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

Motion #9 was made that concerned members bring their list of concerns regarding the Roberts County Jail to the BCD Councilwoman, as soon as possible, by Lorraine German, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

District Chairwoman's Report – Lynn Halbert – Chairwoman

A written report was provided to the district membership.

Motion #10 was made to have the Civil Right Office be contacted with the concerns of the Roberts County Jail and that this be a working project for the SWO Council by Jason Eastman, second by Myrna Thompson, and questioned by Lorraine German. Motion Carried.

Motion #11 was made to approve the District Chairman's Association Report and the District Chairwoman's Report by Lorraine German, second by Viva DuBois, and questioned by Carrie Godfrey. Motion Carried.

Sisseton-Wahpeton College – Lynn Halbert, Board of Trustees BCD
A written report was provided to the district membership.

Motion #12 was made to approve the Sisseton-Wahpeton College report by Elizabeth Hill, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Sheila Mendenhall. Motion Carried.

Note... Meeting was turned over to the BCD Vice-Chairwoman.

District Secretary's Report – William "Billy" Kohl – Secretary

It was reported that the total adult membership for the Big Coulee District is 1,130 as of January 3, 2023.

There was a request from the Ascension Presbyterian Church to use the district center every Wednesday Evening during the 2023 Lenten Season.

Motion #13 was made to allow the Ascension Presbyterian Church the use of the district center on Wednesday evenings during the 2023 Lenten Season by Viva DuBois, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Ella Robertson. Motion Carried.

Motion #14 was made to approve the BCD Secretary's report by Viva DuBois, second by Ella Robertson, and questioned by Carrie Godfrey. Motion Carried.

District Treasurer's Report – Viva DuBois

The Big Coulee District Financial Report was provided to the district membership.

Motion #15 was made not to approve the BCD Treasurer's report, due to the treasurer not reporting the financials as requested by Geraldine Opsal, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Dawn Godfrey. Motion Carried.

Motion #16 was made to have an audit done on the BCD Treasurer's books/work from the time she took office to the present by Gerald Amos, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Dawn Godfrey. Motion Carried.

Motion #17 was made that the BCD Treasurer turn over the checkbook and all treasury documents and to take the treasurer off the signature card at Dacotah Bank by Carrie Godfrey, second by Geraldine Opsal, and questioned by Nolita Hill. Motion Carried.

District Coordinator's Report – Elizabeth Hill

A written report was provided to the district membership.

Motion #18 was made to compensate the BCD Coordinator for the hours missed due to the recent storm days, when the coordinator was unable to travel to work by Lorraine German, second by Myrna Thompson, and questioned by Carrie Godfrey. Motion Carried.

Motion #19 was made to develop policies for the district coordinator's position by Lorraine German, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Katie Hill. Motion Carried.

Motion #20 was made to re-affirm Motion #13 of the Regular District Meeting Minutes of 08/04/2022, to allow payment of mileage to the district coordinator when she uses her personal vehicle by Carrie Godfrey, second by Katie Hill, and questioned by Ken Heminger. Motion Carried.

Motion #21 was made that Premium Pay be paid for the district coordinator starting at her start date, according to SWO Council approval regarding Premium Pay by Geraldine Opsal, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Myrna Thompson. Motion Carried.

Motion #22 was made to approve the District Coordinator's Report by Carrie Godfrey, second by Myrna Thompson, and questioned by Lorraine German. Motion Carried.

Elderly Report – Michael Greeley

Minutes of the SWO Elderly on December 5, 2022 was provided to the district membership.

Motion #23 was made to approve the Elderly Report by Geraldine Opsal, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

Youth Report – Phoenix Ironheart

The following reports was available to the district membership.

Big Coulee Youth Bank Statements – 11/30/2022 to 12/31/2022

Big Coulee Youth Financial Reports – 11/30/2022 to 12/31/2022

Motion #24 was made to approve the BCD Youth Report by Carrie Godfrey, second by Geraldine Opsal, and questioned by Dianne Desrosiers. Motion Carried.

District New Adult Memberships

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| 1. Angelina Davis | 347-*000 |
| 2. Wapi DuMarce | 347-*000 |
| 3. Maverick Eagle | 347-*000 |
| 4. Marissa Mae Getzlaff | 347-*000 |
| 5. Joseph Goodbird | 347-*000 |
| 6. Mahpiya Heminger | 347-*000 |
| 7. Candace Marie Lopez | 347-*000 |
| 8. Raykeisha Marks | 347-*000 |
| 9. Tayonna Quinn | 347-*000 |
| 10. Jada White | 347-*000 |

Motion #25 was made to approve the BCD New Adult Memberships by Dianne Desrosiers, second by Myrna Thompson, and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

District New Youth Memberships

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| 1. Percifani R. Amos | 347-*000 |
| 2. Keenan S. Bissonette | 347-*000 |
| 3. Prophet Patience Leviticus Godfrey | 347-*000 |
| 4. Cetan Goodbird | 347-*000 |
| 5. Alexandria Grogan | 347-*000 |
| 6. Noah Joiner | 347-*000 |
| 7. Danton Jade Neilan | 347-*000 |
| 8. Axton Simon | 347-*000 |
| 9. George Simon | 347-*000 |
| 10. Nai'a Amaurie Spider | 347-*000 |
| 11. Izariah Marie Thompson | 347-*000 |
| 12. Mia Marie Lynn White | 347-*000 |

Motion #26 was made to approve the BCD New Youth Memberships by Carrie Godfrey, second by Dianne Desrosiers, and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

District Relinquishments – None

Old Business

Motion #27 was made to have the BCD Chairwoman make copies of the keys to the office where the cameras for the other district executives, except for the BCD Treasurer by Carrie Godfrey, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Nolita Hill. Motion Carried.

It was reported that the Big Coulee District donated \$3,000.00 to the 2023 New Year's Eve Pow Wow.

Motion #28 was made to have the BCD Chairwoman verify to the BCD Coordinator that the cameras at the district center, in fact do work and how long or how much time is stored or kept as camera coverage by Katie Hill, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Myrna Thompson. Motion Carried.

There was a question regarding the reimbursement of the district's websites of \$4,000.00 back to each district.

New Business

Motion #29 was made to "grandfather" George Simon's youth membership so that he may be entitled to the Youth ARPA monies, due to the confusion of his membership by Myrna Thompson, second by Katie Hill, and questioned by Nolita Hill. Motion Carried.

Motion #30 was made that at least one member of the Youth Committee stay on site during the regular meetings until the meeting adjourns by Myrna Thompson, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Dianne Desrosiers. Motion Carried.

Boards, Committees and Commissions

Board, Committee or Commission	District Member	Present	Absent	Minutes	Other
SW College BOT	Lynn Halbert	X		X	
SW Housing Authority	Robert J. Kohl	X			
SWO Constitution Revision	Viva DuBois	X			
SWO Gaming Board	Jerry Eastman		X		
SWO Human Service Board	Mary Jo Keeble	X			
SWO Ordinance Work Group	Stacy Dahlman		X		
SWO Natural Resources	Ella Robertson	X		X	
SWO Office of Environmental Protection	Winona Starlight Burley		X		
SWO Personnel Committee	Dianne Desrosiers	X		X	
SWO Police Commission	Viva DuBois	X			
SWO Pow Wow Committee	Jerry Eastman		X		
SWO Reservation Planning Commission	Geraldine Opsal	X		X	
SWO Tax Commission	Cody Toutges		X		
SWO Tribal Employment Rights Office	Billy Kohl	X			
SWO Tribal Historical Preservation Office	Roseanne Bartunek		X		
Tiospa Zina Tribal School	Jerry Eastman		X		

SWHA Report – Robert J. Kohl

Motion #31 was made to approve the SWHA report by Dianne Desrosiers, second by Ken Heminger, and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

SWO Constitution Revision – Viva DuBois

No meetings were held.

SWO Police Commission – Viva DuBois

Motion #32 was made to re-affirm a previous motion in restoring authority to the Police Commission over SW Law Enforcement employees by Myrna Thompson, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

Motion #33 was made that BCD host a First Aid and CRP Training for BCD Members, including Nar can training by Ella Robertson, second by Dianne Desrosiers, and questioned by Myrna Thompson. Motion Carried.

Motion #34 was made to approve the SWO Police Commission report by Lou Anne Phelps, second by Dianne Desrosiers, and questioned by Carrie Godfrey. Motion Carried.

SWO Human Service Board – Mary Jo Keeble

Motion #35 was made to approve the SWO Human Service Board report by Carrie Godfrey, second by Lorraine German, and questioned by Lou Anne Phelps. Motion Carried.

SWO Natural Resources – Ella Robertson

Motion #36 was made to approve the 2023 Turkey License/Season by Carrie Godfrey, second by Nadine Fredericks, and questioned by Dianne Desrosiers. Motion Carried.

Motion #37 was made to approve the 2023 Spearing Season by Dianne Desrosiers, second by Gerald Amos and questioned by Geraldine Opsal. Motion Carried.

Motion #38 was made to approve the SWO Natural Resources report by Dianne Desrosiers, second by Geraldine Opsal, and questioned by John German, Sr. Motion Carried.

SWO Personnel Committee – Dianne Desrosiers

Motion #39 was made to approve the SWO Personnel Committee report by Myrna Thompson, second by Carrie Godfrey, and questioned by Geraldine Opsal. Motion Carried.

SWO Planning Commission – Geraldine Opsal

Motion #40 was made to approve the SWO Planning Commission report by John German, Sr., second by Dianne Desrosiers, and questioned by Carrie Godfrey. Motion Carried.

Motion #41 was made to put the BCD Secretary on the signature card at the Dacotah Bank to be a check signer by Carrie Godfrey, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Dianne Desrosiers. Motion Carried.

Carrie Godfrey made an apology to the district membership for her past actions to the district.

SWO TERO – Billy Kohl

Motion #42 was made to approve the SWO TERO report by Dianne Desrosiers, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Caril Schoenrock. Motion Carried.

Motion #43 was made to approve True Lee German for BCD Youth Membership by Elizabeth Hill, second by John German, Sr., and questioned by Dianne Desrosiers. Motion Carried.

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With no further business, Motion #44 was made to adjourn by Lorraine German and second by Robert J. Kohl. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:21PM.

Respectfully submitted,



William "Billy" Kohl - Big Coulee District Secretary



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REGULAR DISTRICT MEETING Sunday, January 29, 2023 – 1PM MEMBER SIGN IN ROSTER

1	Suzie Amos
2	Mary Jo Keeble
3	Louise Pearson
4	John Hall
5	[Signature]
6	Lynn M +
7	Ed Hall
8	Wynne Beards
9	Wynne Amos
10	John Lee
11	Edmond [Signature] & [Signature]
12	Martha Thompson
13	Bob WEILAN
14	[Signature]
15	Carol Schoenrock
16	Mike Dreyer
17	Dawn Godfrey
18	Louise Phelps
19	Geri O'Neil
20	Laura Brakes

Big Coulee District
Regular District Meeting ~ Member Sign In Roster
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21	Thurman
22	Carrie Goldberg
23	Devon Goldberg
24	Sp. Okhuff
25	Phoenix Okhuff
26	Jason Eastman
27	Ella Robertson
28	Regina Hoffman
29	Natalie Hill
30	Natalie Hill
31	Nadine Benman-Fredemich
32	Ken Hemmings
33	Diane DeGroot
34	Brandy Hemmings
35	Billy Kohl
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