

**GREATER TULSA AREA  
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
MONTHLY MEETING  
MINUTES  
CITY HALL ONE TECHNOLOGY CENTER  
MAY 19, 2009**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>Carol Morris</b>	<b>Will Hill (alt)</b>	<b>Haley Buzzard</b>
<b>Deroin Peak</b>	<b>Alice Whitecloud</b>	<b>Teresa Runnels</b>
<b>Ernest Tiger</b>	<b>Sammy Haynes</b>	<b>Winona Henderson</b>
<b>Margo Smith</b>	<b>Emily Bushyhead</b>	<b>Dorcas Williams</b>

**EXCUSED ABESENCES:**

<b>Lillian Williams</b>	<b>Jean Froman</b>	<b>Monetta Trepp</b>
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**HRD STAFF PRESENT:**

<b>Willene Leffall</b>	<b>Dr. Mike Smith</b>
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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Whitecloud, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES:**

Commissioner Whitecloud called for approval of the April minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Buzzard and seconded by Commissioner Bushyhead for approval of the minutes with corrections. *Motion carried.*

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Education Committee:** No report.
- **Public Relations Committee:** No report.
- **Park Renaming Committee:** No report.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

- **Awards Dinner** – Commissioner Whitecloud confirmed the awards dinner will be held July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. (see flyer attached) Commissioner Whitecloud requested nominations for the Awards dinner and stated a suggestion was made by a member to add a veteran's award. Commissioner Whitecloud expressed the importance to honor veterans and entertained a motion to include a veteran's award (called Warriors) in the Dream Keepers 2009 12<sup>th</sup> annual awards program. Commissioner D. Williams seconded the motion and read a nomination for Roberta Gardpipe, a female Pawnee veteran. There was a brief discussion on the nominee's accomplishments. The vote was called. *Motion carried.* Commissioner Whitecloud stated we currently have 10 awards. Comments were made regarding the program lasting too long; it was suggested to eat and begin the program to

help shorten the time. Commissioner Peak suggested having a caterer so the program can proceed. Willene requested forming a committee to review the biographies in order to have the programs printed and ready on time. Funds received will be used to purchase trophies, program expenses and Kid's World event. The banquet tickets will be \$8.00 per person. Commissioner Whitecloud asked for volunteers to form a Selection Committee; Commissioners Tiger, Runnels and Hill volunteers to serve. Commissioner Whitecloud stated all correspondence should be e-mailed to Darlene in HRD for distribution.

- **Letter regarding Upcoming Events** – Commissioner Whitecloud stated Commissioner Martin agreed to chair the Festival Committee; Commissioner Haynes is also on the Committee. The Committee will decide on a date to meet (see proposal attached)

#### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- On May 23rd the Tulsa Indian Pow Wow Club will host a 5k Run and Walk (see flyer attached)
- The weekend of June 11<sup>th</sup> the Chilocco reunion activities will begin.
- On July 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> the Thunder Road Theater Company will have their play at the Nightingale Theater.
- On May 22<sup>nd</sup> the Cinema Circle Theater will present the film, "Barking Waters".

#### **VI. ADJOURNEMENT**

Commissioner Whitecloud entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Bushyhead so moved and Commissioner Haynes seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Carol Morris  
Secretary