

UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING MEETING
ANNUAL MEETING
HOLIDAY INN LAKEWOOD, CO
APRIL 8, 2019

Chairman Adams called meeting to order @ 8:54.

Roll Call taken by Secretary. 25 members present with 3 proxies. Quorum established.

Gene Sorrell – S & K led meeting in prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- Lower Brule made a motion to approve the agenda with addition of Bill Hanzlik comments, 2nd by Santee Sioux. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING IN LAS VEGAS, NV- December 10, 2018- Motion to approve minutes of December 10, 2018 by Lower Brule, 2nd by Cheyenne River. All in favor.

Chairman Adams – I would like to welcome all the Tribal leaders, Veterans and new Directors. I would like each of you to stand. Tribal Leaders, Veterans and new Directors were recognized by the membership.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman Adams said that this is going to be my last meeting. I have been here since 1992. There has been a lot of changes. We have kept things moving, especially new money. They put FY18 and 19 money together. The RFP’s should be out within 60 days. We have done so much with negotiated rule making. We stood together. I am proud of UNAHA. We know decisions are going to affect us. We have stood together and fought a good fight.

We had over 100 teams at our 34th annual tournament this weekend. UNAHA Chairman is the arbitrator of all disputes at basketball. At the Nuggets game on Friday there were 650 kids. 102 teams.

We continue to watch the 184 regulations as the drafts continue. Homeownership is important to Northern Plains. Tribes are on various parts of the map. 184 is supposed to be only for trust land. Continue to work together, leadership listens to you. It has been an honor.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Joey Nathan gave Treasurer’s report.

Grant proceeds- \$55,571.05

Program Income

Associate Members \$ 4,000

Membership Dues - 63,000

Total Program Income 67,000

Total Income \$122,571.05

Expenses

Total Contract Services - \$ 12,282.96

Total Expenses - 76,253.42

Net Ordinary Income \$ 46,307.63

Chairman Adams asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Santee Sioux made a motion to approve Treasurer’s Report. 2nd by Lower Brule. All in favor.

Election of 2019 -2021 Officers

Chairman Adams discussed Gentlemen's Agreement on UNAHA Officers in that there would be two officers from Region III and two from Region V.

With that we will open nominations for Chairman:

Fort Peck made a nomination for Sharon Vogel. Sharon accepted nomination. 2nd by Lower Brule.

Crow made a motion to nominate Eric Shepherd. Eric accepted.

Eric Shepherd gave his speech on his nomination for Chairman. He discussed his background.

Sharon gave her speech for nomination as Chairman. We are a Treaty Tribe, there is much work that needs to be completed.

Chairman Adams – I would like to acknowledge Derek Valdo for AMERIND's 34th year of sponsoring the Annual Basketball Tournament.

Vote by Secret Ballot. Vote for Sharon Vogel for Chairman of UNAHA. All in favor.

Sharon Vogel new Chairman of UNAHA. Chairman Vogel – I have big shoes to fill. Thank you Jason for your many years of contributions. I appreciate everyone's confidence in me. Thank you.

Nominations for Secretary:

Northern Ponca made a motion to nominate Iva Grainger as Secretary. 2nd by Lower Brule.

Lower Brule made a motion for nominations to cease.

Iva Grainger Secretary for UNAHA.

Vice Chairman Nomination:

We are seeking nominations from Region V. Santee nominated Lafe Haugen. Lafe declined.

Crow nominated Jody Perez from S & K for Vice Chairman. 2nd by S & K.

Fort Peck made a motion for nominations to cease.

Jody Perez Vice Chairman UNAHA.

The Officers of UNAHA agreed by general consensus to have Myrna Gauthier have authority to manage checking and savings accounts. If she has authority to manage, the bank will allow her to get the balances on the accounts.

HUD Update

Evelyn Limm-Regional Administrator:

Welcomed everyone to Denver. Altitude throws free throw percentage off. Randy Akers has been wonderful. I have been appointed to Region VIII as Regional Administrator. I lived in Denver since 2009. After Law School, I went to DC. I was one of the new hires. I worked for nonprofits over the last few years. I was one of the youngest in Department of Homeland Security. I wanted to get out of the office. I want quality affordable homes for all. Most of this Region is rural and tribal lands. There is 12.1 million people in Region VIII. Our challenge is implementing HUD's mission, I welcome any opportunity on how we can do better. I respect your Tribal sovereignty. Taking that back to DC on where the rubber meets the road. Homelessness and overcrowding. I want to end homelessness and

overcrowding. There is a lack of affordable housing. We want to end lead based paint and other health problems. 20 million homes still have lead based paint. We want to stop asthma, mold and moisture problems. We want to make homes dry, pest free, meth free and thermally controlled.

I was a HUD detailed liaison for the White House, 10 year commitment, we look forward to working with you. I look forward to continuing our collaborative relationship.

Heidi is unable to be here.

Frederick Greefer is here. He grew up in Northern California. He just celebrated the birth of his daughter Madeline. Fred is Acting Director of Field Operations.

I additionally express my gratitude to Evelyn Limm. I would like to honor Jason, Bob and Myrna for their tenure. HUD's program touches many lives.

Heidi's leadership touches six Area office administrations. We have to focus on program performance. We are looking at improving the lives of tribal members.

\$200 million in competitive IHBG need and capacity grant money. It is meant to spur construction and rehabilitation. 646 million in IHBG – April 16, 2019.

HUD VASH-Homeless Native American veterans looking at expanding it in the future. Looking at making the Pilot program permanent.

HUD 184 draft rule is available for comment. 60 days – April 4- June 5. ONAP encourages TDHE's to comment. Available on our website.

I would like to pay tribute to Randy Akers – NPONAP- I am grateful to be here with you. I look forward to working with you.

Bob – When will the RFP be out? Randy – It is currently in OMB. Hopefully within the next couple of months.

Sharon- Is there going to be two? Fred – The specifics hasn't been finalized yet.

Fred – Sharing is important to us.

Randy Akers – Program update

I have Katie, Lori, and Maria in Grants Management

Final formula should be sent out shortly. HUD will no longer be accepting on line formula submissions. They will need to be submitted by EPIC that is more user friendly.

Wednesday morning, we will be going over the SF-425, ICDBG – FY18- March 20, 2019 deadline. We are working quickly.

Grants evaluation APR- FY17 is due in the EPIC format.

Audits 6/30/18 are due by March 19, 2019. On site monitoring

Training/TA – Katie – We are planning on pulling together about 10.

We have an open door policy on T/TA, reach out to our office.

In the past week – COMPASS

NAHASDA through the ICDBG contracting.

On site TA – there will be five. Full draft of 184 regulations came out on April 4, 2019.

Lori will be talking about environmental HEROES on Wednesday morning. Tribe has a piece of it. Lori and Maria will show you how to get your reg.

Randy – Our staff was 26, now we are down to 10. Bruce Swedal-Development Management is in our office doing a rotation.

Solomon Pomerez will be interning in our office this summer. He will be compiling information on the Region's methamphetamine crisis.

We are hopeful to hire three new Grants Evaluation employees. We will be hiring external.

Suzanne Steigerwell – OIG – Waste Fraud abuse- Asst. Special Agent in charge. Been with HUD since 1978. I investigate criminal or civil laws of fraud waste and abuse. Types of fraud – theft, bribery, wire and mail fraud. Points of contact – Hotline 1-800-347-3735 hotline@hud.gov

Break – 10:22

Bill Hanzlik gave presentation after break. Bill coordinates annual All West 100.

Nuggets CEO Gold Crown Foundation

Gold Crown field house– 34th year. We started out with 30 teams. 104 teams with a wait list of 20.

Preparing kids for theme for life

There was a video during Nuggets game- both clips are on facebook page

We are going to try to have the tournament more recruitable. Have some of the local colleges there. Next year we are going to try to have a boy and girl sing the National Anthem in their native tongue and in English.

Bob – We are grateful for your help. We want spots for our UNAHA Tribes.

Dave – In the past we always had spots. Mike Boyd and Dom Nessi are 34 years going into 35.

Bill – We are trying to educate that there is life after basketball.

Enterprise Grant Report

JC Crawford gave his background of competency that builds capacity. Last August we met in Sioux City, we gave 3 copies of the report to Bob.

Five Goals of Homeownership Initiative funded by Enterprise.

Homeownership readiness

Physical

Capital –mortgage capital

Programs

Homeownership

Summary

TDHE – Homebuyer Readiness Programs

Physical issues

Leasing, mortgaging

Infrastructure

Support Foundation of Homeownership

Develop total plan from A-Z for homeownership

Appraisers and inspectors

Thank you for having CBJ

These Housing Authorities are well positioned for expanding opportunities

Bob – You cannot depend on HUD

Sharon – That particular issue has been very special to me. Our journey is going to be individual. It is unique to the resources. Look toward UNAHA.

NAIHC Report

Tony Walters – NAIHC- Executive Director

It has been two years since I was hired.

Three national events per year, training, on-site TA, I am a member of the Cherokee Nation. It is a constant cycle. FY2020 – Budget for IHBG

2017- 80 – 1000 units a year, we need 68,000 units

We are always looking for new resources. Pathways home has a new curriculum. We have scholarships Leadership Institute – intense – e-learning

This is an annual event – 1st week in May.

Indigenous Tribes meeting at the Asset Building Conference in New York

We have 30 Regional training. There is new funding. Keeping existing funding safe.

Budget Agreement – HUD VASH bill already passed in Senate and became permanent.

NAHASDA bill- Pierce retired. We are looking for new sponsors. Direct Loan, HUD VASH and T/TA side.

Jim W – I want to compliment you, Tony spoke at the annual meeting. It is strongest when we are together on issues.

The \$100 million, can you explain how you and your staff go with these issues when Tribes are on opposite sides.

We can argue on what Congress intended. How do you navigate this minefield? How do you handle that personally?

Tony – It is tough. When I am in meetings I try to explain things. I am going to express all the different options.

More funding, the different spectrum of choices.

Bob – On that very issue. Between AK and CA, has there been any discussion on redirecting votes per Region?

Bob – There is 400 Block Grants and we get 32 of them.

Tony – There is equal play time.

Stuart discussed the initiative on the Wells Fargo deal.

Tony – We have grants with Wells Fargo. This year we put an application in for rehab. Direct unit rehab for a couple hundred thousand dollars. \$10,000 per unit. Are they talking about down payment assistance? Ted Beulow

AMERIND update

Ken, Bob and Jeff

Ken Black – This is the 1st time Chief Operations Manager. We are building a strong company. I am out of Minnesota, been with AMERIND since 2015.

Jeff Blackwell – General Legal Counsel

Work with HR communications, critical infrastructure, and policy advocacy. Regional considers some advocacy. Please think of us.

Derek Valdo

Our joint annual meeting is the 1st week of May. May 7, 8, & 9. May 8, the Chairman will be elected. The only candidate is Phil Bush. AMERIND recently launched fleet auto insurance. 204 members. 30 have bought it.

2019 AMERIND

We are going to the Board to set our base rate for 2020. We are going to invest in other organizations. 11 million dollars of fiber, 3 million in Capital fund at LUISTA. 1st Capital committee updated. 15 positions available

Bob –Two things

One of the members called with a claim issue

4 or 5 years ago we talked about having a dividend back on their premium, if the original members were having a good success on keeping claims down.

Derek – Board has a strategic plan of up to 15% of premium in 2019. 2.2 million dollar dividend. We need to be financially stable.

6 million dollars to operate

The most it can be is 15%

1st 28 years – hit 100 million in June or July

Once we get to the 200 million?

Loan fund to help our members. Yes, we will be interested hosting the 184 Summit.

Kent Paul is Chairman of that Board

Ed Filesteel, I just got off the phone on a call concerning our T-lock shingles. We have 24 units with no coverage. I would like you to come up with some type of solution. There has to be coverage.

Derek – The Board came up with the obsolete endorsement.

Administrator's Report

Charmel couldn't be here, she had some conflicts.

The UNAHA survey has everything.

Salaries

Homeownership counseling

The Officers have a call the 1st Monday of every month.

We had a Compass Grant for \$300,000 for 2017; we spent every nickel this year. We get 10% for administrative.

Summer meeting will be in Great Falls, Havre had very limited facilities.

August 19-21, 2019.

Finance training. You heard from JC this morning. 1 ½ on checking your rents, making sure you have adequate rents for your members.

We did get quite a bit of interest; we're all set for our 1st boot camp. That will be in Rapid City on May 13, 2019. It gives you the tools; the boot camp will give you the basics.

They don't understand what NAHASDA means. Program regulations. We talked about having the maintenance summit every February. Other resources – USDA mainly.

October – Two days of Occupancy issues

Meth doesn't look like it is going anywhere in the near future.

Proceeds go to the UNAHA Scholarship.

Legislative/Legal Report

Jim

This Region made a concerted effort in getting that done. We were unsuccessful in getting that done. When there is no consensus, HUD makes the decision.

What has happened is similar to what happened in NCAI. The formula is a key one. Try to resolve this issue when it comes down to Indian Housing.

Funds wouldn't be distributed by IHBG formula, but by the neediest.

Congress appropriated 100 million dollars competitively. You will submit a proposal or application a lot like ICDBG. 100 million dollars was appropriated by the Appropriations process.

1st step in the current grant campaign

2nd step – Make sure this money goes to Tribes' with the greatest need.

As HUD goes through the rule making, the rulemaking is coming to a conclusion.

OK and AK are lobbying to have the money be added into the NAHSDA formula. Asked Don Young has pushed to have any future funds added to the IHBG funds.

A new pot of money, Tribes' with less need are not giving up. What's probably going to happen, this is going to come up next month at NAIHC. The time for this organization to make sure they are either there or have a proxy.

2/3 majority required for passage. You done that effectively, you are going to do it.

Dave

60 days – out March 19, the end of May or the beginning of June.

There is a statute for the \$100 million dollars.

Appropriators by function generates the need function. National competition means they will go through the National office.

Sylvia

Meth median costs \$94,000
Remediation \$204,000

Bob – Is there any way from Kevin’s survey that we can get the number of units not tested.
Sylvia - Potentially and maybe

Does anyone have any motions, now is the time to give us your suggestions on what we need to be working on.

Rosebud made a motion to opposing the 100 million dollars and any other funding be transferred into the IHBG funding. 2nd by Flandreau. Motion carried.

Dave discussed the winners of the basketball tournament. Winners are listed on web page.

Lower Brule made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Salish. Meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm. Next meeting will be in Great Falls Montana August 19th.