

MINUTES

Annual UNAHA Meeting
Lakewood, CO
March 28, 2022

Chairwoman Vogel called the meeting to order at 8:55 and asked for a roll call. Secretary Zimmerman completed the roll call and verified 26 members present.

Patrick Googles led the meeting in prayer.

Approval of Agenda – Lower Brule made a motion to approve agenda of March 28, 2022 meeting. 2nd by Trenton. All in favor.

Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting – December 6, 2021 in Las Vegas – Motion by Lower Brule to approve minutes of December 6, 2021 in Las Vegas. 2nd by Northern Cheyenne. All in favor.

Chairwoman's Report

Chairwoman Vogel welcomed everyone. It is great to see Randy and his team, the USDA team, several of which from Washington DC. We would like to welcome all the Tribal Officials. Thank you and welcome. Any new ED's? James Clairmont-Oglala and Tyson Thompson – Ute Indian – introduced themselves.

Board of Commissioners – Thank you and look forward to you attending many more meetings. Annual training presentations are decided from data collection and your participation in surveys.

UNAHA Board recommended applying for the ERASE grant. We are the only Native American organization receiving one.. There are opportunities for funding as we better make our needs know. The relationship with the NLIHC will help accomplish that. Discussion on data collection. This is a new year for Legislation. I do want to report successes with South Dakota Native American Homeownership Coalition. Senator Rounds was able to influence GAO Reports. Influence Veterans. Improve utilization and awareness. Veterans get discouraged. We have threats of wildfires, pay attention to that.

I would like to acknowledge appreciation and support of Executive Committee. In closing I would like to give a shout out to our UNAHA Administrators, Bob and Myrna. I assure you they represent you well.

Treasurer's Report

Joey Nathan gave report.

BALANCE AS OF MARCH 21, 2022 – Checking

Checking	\$ 11,430
Savings	<u>181,222.23</u>
Total Checking & Savings	\$192,652.42

\$30,000 was transferred to checking for this event. Profit and loss statement attached.

Election of Officers discussion.

Bob- We did not have an election of officers at our last annual meeting. Two officers out of four were up for election. Vice Chairman and Treasurer.

Election of Chairman and Secretary. Do you want to elect them for another term? Two officers out of Region III and two out of Region V. When we formed UNAHA we had a standing rule that this would be the way the officers were.

I would like our current officers to continue. Like I said we are in unprecedented time.

Patrick Goggles - We should continue with our current leadership. Bob – I like Patrick’s recommendation. Lower Brule made a motion to reaffirm existing officers for another year. 2nd by Trenton. All in favor.

NPONAP Report

Randy Akers – I am a little rusty at this. Thank you UNAHA for inviting the ONAP staff. It is a pleasure to see everyone.

18 things. Think ONAP staff said I should mention.

GM

Formula IHBG – We have new funding.

April 18, 2022- EPIC due the end of May.

ROSS – three new ROSS renewals

Utah Paiute, Fort Peck and Northern Cheyenne

Fort Peck – Rena Lambert will be doing a Zoom training on April 13, 2022 from 10-12:00.

ICDBG Program – 2021 NOFA with folks - Interrupted by Central Office

Heidi Frechette (non zoom)- DAS ONAP- Snow flurries in DC.

Changes in Federal level. I and other ONAP staff are working in person.

T/TA – recognize UNAHA Leadership, Myrna and Bob, Randy and his team-NPONAP, looking forward to that collaboration.

FY23 – Proposed budget

2022 – IHBG – 772 Million, 125 more than in 2021

150 Million in ICDBG Competitive – 72 Million more than before

3.5 Million in Section 184

1 Million in Title VI

Heidi (on zoom) – Tribes have made great strides during this Pandemic.

NPONAP – All of your work on front lines is acknowledged

CARES Act and ARP money support

2021 ICDBG regular – Awards will be this spring. Monitor CODETALK

Technical Assistance – Onsite TA has been put on hold.

April 6 & 7, 2022 – NAIHC Housing Summit

Consultation will be done with the Tribes on the Trust and Treaty responsibilities. ICDBG ARP, ICDBG Competitive

TIAF – Select Nominees. Asking for Nominations.

The last 2 years has required everyone to be resilient.

Patrick G.– I would like you to expedite the money. The Pandemic is shrinking our dollars financially for our IHBG and ICDBG.

ICDBG will be in late spring. Patrick – Thank you for the increase. Can we expect that bump to hold.

Patrick G.– We have erosion of our land, but we do have drought. We would like you to consider that.

Bob G. – Thank you for taking the time to speak with us. We enjoy the partnership.

Randy Akers

4th Tribal VASH

Changes in the Competitive IHBG

Javen Beringer – Grants Management, will continue to reach out. We are asking for photos and a short write up on your projects. We have asked for Javen to reach out.

CARES ACT funding completed – Final APR is due when completed.
ICDBG CARES grants in 2020.

ARP funding IHP for ARP unclaimed.

ICDBG Phase I and Phase III in NPONAP, we won't know until the award.

Amber Hunter – Grants Evaluation Director

APR's have to be submitted under EPIC

IHBG has to be submitted with EPIC

IHBG-APR's by email with PDF along with APR and SF-425.

Audits are nine months after grantee program year. OMB can issue extensions.

We had to do remote monitoring for this year. We anticipate on site training in 23. T/TA – 17 training events. More training started in April. There is a push for training on ARP funds.

12 environmental reviews received using HEROES Program. GEMS – virtual setting. GEMS update – ONAP and HUD is involved in GRANTS EVALUATION & MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. GEMS is going to replace EPIC.

We are in transition of being back in our office. Send information by e-mail to nponap_customer_service@hud.gov.

Unique Entity Identifier will replace DUNS in April.

New Staff – 5 new staff

Roger Palmer – GE

Polly S – GM Specialist ARP

Sharon – GM

Elizabeth – GM

Dorma Hines – GE ARP

Stuart L-Program new to so many, money for homelessness for the Youth – Randy -Coc program, not out of ONAP, run out of CPD program.

Jody- Elephant in the room- Meth Remediation. I would like to have HUD talk to EPA.

We were applying for meth labs not meth use. If you can give us guidance. Drug Prevention Funds
Jody – We shelter our homeless.

Randy -Youth Sports – Drug Elimination

10:30 -Break for 15 minutes

10:45 – Ted Beulow – USDA- National Tribal Coordinator, Juaquin Tremois, Policy and Program Management Division, David Corwin, Deputy Director Lendor and Partner Activities, Ingrid Ripley, Executive Director Single-Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program were present to learn more about the UNAHA membership's home ownership financing hurdles.

Armando – Building trust is critical.

Bob – Your rules and what works in Indian Country sometimes to not match.

502 Guaranty – Ingrid – Joaquin wrote the Homebuyer Chapters. Low and Moderate Income households- provide assistance with no down payment.

115% of median income

Just under 3,000 lenders. 90% guaranteed loans. Income and property value. Bob discussed MH program- conveyed units for rehab. GUS – Guaranteed underwriting system. CDFI at your tribe could be a recognized lender.

Blackfeet – Discussion on USDA. April 11, 2022- Consultation follow up from last year. Your office can recommend changes.

11:45 -Tony Walters – Executive Director – NAIHC

FY22 – Full year funding

IHBG – funding – 647 Million \$ to 772 Million \$

Competitive IHBG – 100 Million \$ to 150 Million \$.

New budget- Administration

NAHASDA passed Senate in December – S.2264

Rural HO Improvement 50 Million \$, trying to make it permanent.

FY 22 Appropriations/FY23 budget – full year funding

770 Million \$ -IHBG funding

7 Million \$ - 502 USDA

4 Million \$ in past 2 years – Tribal Housing

ERAP

HAF

HUD/ONAP

FY21 Competitive

April 6 & 7 – HUD ONAP Summit

You have until September 30, 2022 to spend ERAP

39 Tribes had HAF approved

31 or 32 states Annual Convention – Tuesday May 17, 2022 in Seattle, WA

1:27 – Bill Hanzlik – Gold Crown Foundation was present to give UNAHA an overview of the programs and progress that has taken place through our outstanding relationship. UNAHA gave Bill an award acknowledging his contributions and hard work regarding the All West 100 Classic - Tournament
We played 240 games and had 90 teams this year after missing last year due to covid.

NAIHC Representatives

Patrick Goggles & Sharon Vogel

Patrick Goggles – Region V – Executive Director since 2003. NAIHC has nine regions. Adrian Stevens is the Chairman of the Board. He is up for election this year. We were short of a quorum in Las Vegas.
Annual Convention is May 16-18, 2022 in Seattle, WA

Sharon Vogel

Region III

If your dues are paid make sure you send a proxy if you aren't going to be in Seattle.

Three areas of focus

- Improve and expand T/TA
- Advocacy
- Sustainability

Two National awards are given by NAIHC each year, the George Nolan award and the Virginia Kizer award. Nominations are open.

Legal Symposium will be in December at Las Vegas.

Jody Perez was elected as Treasurer of NAIHC.

AMERIND

AMERIND Reps – Jeannie Thompson- Lower Brule Executive Director

Core Program – IHBG – 125 % loss

Jobs – 51% Native American 62 Jobs

Losses exceeded budget in NAHASDA pool last year. The trend looks to continue.

CYBER Limit is \$5 Million, We have implemented new software, pending reinsurance payment. Inflation and wildfires continue to effect claims.

Massive liability costs

Catastrophic events

1st time – 5 consecutive years, we are seeing a 40 – 45% increase in housing construction costs. 75% loss due to fire.

2022- \$1 million in reinsurance

Rod Trahan

Companies for reinsurance keep raising their levels. We are all in those paths. We need to educate our tenants. Giant Risk Pool – We are all in this pool together. In order to continue moving forward we are going to end up paying more. Increased costs are one of the things. Evaluate on how they can provide insurance. Reeducate those people that are having the losses. Reserve levels – They are having the same discussions.

Bob is AMERIND a pool or an insurance company?

They have always been two years behind 3-5 years instead of jumping in. There is other factors to consider. We have a voice. We will have more discussions tomorrow. Delane Big Crow is here from AMERIND to represent AMERIND while Derek is out.

Sisseton Wahpeton Housing Authority – Trust, Accountability & Performance.

Patrick G – AMERIND alternate
AMERIND donated \$20,000 to the tournament'

Bob – alternative we have, rehab over \$5000.

Associate Members

- Paul Kabote – Indiginous Solutions
- Records Management Solutions
- Mahoney Group
- RTHawk Alliance LLC – Teamwork
- Lansing Housing Products
- Raven Consultants – Fee Accountants
- ACE Hsg & Development – Jason Adams
- HDS- CONSO – Doug and James – Tenant portal
- 1st Tribal lending- Juel Burnett
- Ho Chunk Capital – Alexia Boggs – Board member-Full service real estate developer-long term assets
- Biloxa – Brandi Liberty

LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Dave H. – Treasury passed out all this money, UNAHA engaged us to develop forms and policies for ERAP. ERASE Grant – National Low Income Housing
How do we make ERA permanent? \$50,000 data collection grant. Advocate for Permanent funding.
LIHC -NM Senator Lou Hans Office

More recently Build Back better bill- They pulled Housing out of there. Senate bill 3381 Why can't they get their TSR Reports out earlier? Sharon has been asked to answer follow up questions with Dave and Bob.

Senate version of the bill passed out. Maxine Waters has attached to the Freed man bill. Maxine Waters still wants this in the bill. Back to normal. President's budget is on the street.

September is a very active time – Legislative Conference

Winners of the tournament Girls – Legendary Elite Oklahoma
Oklahoma team
Lakota Tech
Boys - Crow Agency – War Party
Seminoles
Team from Navajo

Lindy Waters – Oklahoma City Thunder
Lindy's parents snuck him into the tournament

Championship – Mark Ulmer Trophy transition out of scholarships

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Board members continue monthly calls. They are engaged for the Membership!

Sharon- Pinky Clifford, service as a board member of NLIHC helped build the relationship with NLIHC. When Diane Yentel came to the summer meeting at Flathead, Pinky was the one that got her there.

A little bit of history on AMERIND. Maybe we can become a Risk pool again?
There is 15 -20,000 units that are uninsured (conveyed Mutual Help)
Kevin Klingbeil – ERASE Grant – Grant gets us to dig deeper.

Social hour – 6:00
Dinner @ 7

Iva Zimmerman, Secretary
July 27, 2022