

NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS ANNUAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2018

Sampson County Exposition Center 414 Warsaw Road Clinton, North Carolina, 28328

WELCOME: Furnie Lambert, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:06 am with the quorum being present. He acknowledged and welcomed all Commission Members, Tribal Leaders, Chiefs, State Officials, staff and guests.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Commissioner Marvel Welch made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tony Hayes. Motion carried.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Ricky Burnett recited the invocation prayer. Commission members and community members that were currently ill and deceased were remembered during the opening prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Walter Baucom led the members and guests in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS

MEMBERS		
Coharie	Isabell Freeman-Elliott	Present
Coharie	Lenora Locklear	Present
Cumberland County Association for Indian People	Helen Cook	Present
Cumberland County Association for Indian People	Gladys Hunt	Present
Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation	Sam Lambert	Present
Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation	Marvel Welch	Present
Guilford Native American Association	Jennifer Revels-Baxter	Present
Guilford Native American Association	DeVane Burnette, Sr.	Present
Haliwa Saponi	Jeffrey Anstead	Present
Haliwa Saponi	Charles (Pete) Richardson	Present
Lumbee	Larece Hunt	Absent
Lumbee	Ricky Burnett	Present
Lumbee	Furnie Lambert	Present
Meherrin	Constance Mitchell	Present
Metrolina Native American Association	Walter D. Baucom	Present
Metrolina Native American Association	Jessie Jacobs	Absent
Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation	Tony Hayes	Present



ROLL CALL

MEMBERS (Continued)

SapponyDorothy YatesPresentTriangle Native American SocietyDanny BellPresentWaccamaw SiouanElton R. JacobsPresentWaccamaw SiouanShirley FreemanPresent

STATE OFFICIALS

President Pro Tem Appointee Daniel Locklear Absent
Speaker of the House Appointee Wanda Burns-Ramsey
Department of Administration (DOA), Machelle Sanders, Secretary
Present

Designee: Christy Agner, Deputy Secretary Present

Department of Commerce/ESC, Anthony Copeland, Secretary

Designee: George Sherrill, Chief of Staff

Present

Department of Environment Quality (DEQ), Michael Regan, Secretary

Designee: John Nicholson, Deputy Secretary

Absent

Representative: Sarah Rice, NCDEQ Compliance Officer & Title VI Coordinator Present

Department of Health & Human Services, Dr. Mandy Cohen, Secretary

Designee: David Locklear, Deputy Director, Division of Social Services, Economic

and Family Services, NCDHHS Absent

Department of Labor, Cherie Berry, Commissioner

Designee: Jennifer Haigwood

Department of Cultural Resources, Advisor, John Mintz - Non-Voting Member

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Keith A. Hardison, Director

Absent

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

NCNAYO Zianne Mackenzie Richardson & Brayden N Locklear (Co-Chair) Absent

Non-Voting Members

STAFF PRESENT

Greg Richardson, Executive Director

David Grigsby, Program Director, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

Kimberly Hammonds, Program Director, Economic Development Program &

Supporting Undergraduate Native Students Program

Peggy Ammons, Program Director, Community Development Program

& Low-Income Energy Assistance Program

Annie Francis, Program Director, Indian Child Welfare Program

Elizabeth Walker, Program Director, State Recognition Program

Daphne Pinto, Administrative Secretary

OTHER STATE OFFICIALS PRESENT

Rep. Charles Graham, District 47, NC General Assembly, Robeson County Mark Teague, Attorney, NC Department of Justice

OTHERS PRESENT: List on file with the Commission.

ETHICS STATEMENT: Mr. Greg Richardson, Executive Director read the Ethics Statement on behalf of Chairman Lambert. He charged Commission Members to declare any conflict of interest, or

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appearance of conflict of interest that may exist in relation to any business before the Commission, as mandated by the State Ethics Act. No conflicts were noted.

APPROVAL OF May 31-June 1, 2018, MEETING MINUTES: The minutes were included in the meeting packet and submitted to the Commission members prior to the meeting, by email. The minutes of the Commission meeting held on May 31-June 1, 2018, were presented, with no corrections noted. Commissioner Tony Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gladys Hunt. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF July 11, 2018, TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES: The minutes were included in the meeting packet and was submitted to the Commission members prior to the meeting. The minutes of the Commission meeting held on July 11, 2018, were presented, with no corrections noted. Commissioner Gladys Hunt made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sam Lambert. Motion carried.

TRIBAL WELCOME

Greg Jacobs, Tribal Administrator, Coharie Indian Tribe:

Mr. Greg Jacobs welcomed and acknowledged all Commission members, State Officials and guests to Coharie land. He gave a brief statement on the benefits and progress of the tribes over the years through segregation, integration, self-determination and finally to be self-sufficient. He indicated that the Commission of Indian Affairs played an important role, in the development of programs for the tribe. He stated that the decisions made here affect all the indigenous people of North Carolina and throughout the country.

WELCOME REMARKS

William "Bill" Starlings, President. Sampson Community College:

Mr. William Starlings thanked the Commission for the opportunity to speak and noted that it was wonderful for the Commission to have its meeting in Clinton, NC. On behalf of Mayor, Lou Starlings he extended a warm welcome from the city of Clinton, NC. He gave a brief update on the Sampson Community College. Currently, they have approximately 2000 students enrolled. He noted many accomplishments of the young graduates from Sampson Community College. Many of which were students supported through the NC Commission of Indian Affairs Workforce program.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

Representative Charles Graham, District 47, NC General Assembly:

- Rep. Charles Graham thanked the Commission for inviting him to the meeting and noted that it was nice to be back in Coharie land with the leaders of the community. He deferred the legislative update to another time. He gave a brief update on the economic information regarding the progress on the agricultural businesses the "Native American Agriculture Fund" (NAAF). He noted that he was appointed on that organizations Board of Trustees, and that it is a four-year term. There are fourteen trustees on the Committee. A handout was presented. The following was discussed:
- Funding: \$680M compensation fund because of discrimination with an additional \$80M in debt relief. A total of 3,680 farmers and ranchers were compensated because of this case. The Judge, who presided over this case ordered \$38M in "fast track funds" to a non-profit to support Native farmers and ranchers. Funds cannot go to an individual, it can go to organizations that are



supporting Indian farmers. He noted at this point they are having a strategic planning meeting and appointing staff. It was stated that the court approved the trust agreement, it is irrevocable and cannot be changed.

- Location: The home office will be in Fayetteville, Arkansas for the next three years.
- Fund Name: The court approved the establishment of a trust fund to distribute \$266 M funds to organizations that support Native farmers and ranchers. The charitable trust fund is called the "Native American Agriculture Fund" (NAAF).
- Fund Mission: The fund's mission to American Indian farmers: (a) Business assistance; (b) Agricultural education; (c) Technical support; (d) Advocacy services. The mission is to support and promote their continued engagement in agriculture to Native American farmers and ranchers.
- Eligibility: Organizations eligible for funding include:
 - Tax exempt organizations described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code
 - Educational organizations
 - Community Development Financial Institutions that are also 501(c) (3) organizations
 - Instrumentalities of federal or state recognized tribes that furnish assistance designed to further Native farming and ranching.
- Requirement: Grantees of NAAF will have reporting and recordkeeping requirements to meet. Restrictions on use of the fund include: (a) funds cannot be used for lobbying or political activity; (b) there can be no grants to individuals; (c) funds cannot be used to support litigation.
- Conclusion: Rep. Graham expressed that he wanted to support the Indian communities and organizations eligible for these funds. The webpage is in the process of being established and the information will be posted. The grant will be available after the January 1, 2019. He will be glad to assist each tribe who submits their application.

The presentation is attached and is an official part of the minutes. (Attachment A)

SWEARING IN CEREMONY - NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS:

Representative Charles Graham, District 47, Robeson County, NC, presided over the swearing-in ceremony.

The following Commission members were sworn into office under the "Oath of Honor" promising to serve the people of North Carolina:

Tribal Representatives:

- Lenora Locklear, Coharie Tribe
- Sam Lambert, Eastern Band of the Cherokee
- Charles Richardson, Haliwa-Saponi
- Ricky Burnett, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Urban Indian Organizations Representatives:

- Helen Cook, Cumberland County Association for Indian People
- Walter Baucomb, Metrolina Native American Association
- Danny Bell, Triangle Native American Association

State Official – Appointed by General Assembly:

- Wanda Burns-Ramsey, Speaker of House Appointee



Photo session/ Recognition of new and returning members: Commission members took group photos along with Representative Charles Graham, NC General Assembly.

Chairman Lambert and Mr. Greg Richardson thanked Representative Graham.

Mr. Greg Richardson acknowledged and welcomed Tribal Leaders, Chiefs, Chairs, Government/ State Officials, former Commission Members, Representatives from Commission of Indian Affairs from the state of Indiana, present at the meeting. Mr. Richardson informed everyone that he met those officials during past National Congress of American Indian conferences (NCAI).

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Chairman Lambert announced that there were two Commission officers position up for election during the Annual Meeting and they are: Vice Chair
Secretary/Treasurer

Nomination of the Vice Chair: Chairman opened the floor for the nomination process.

Mrs. Shirley Freeman was nominated

A motion was made by Commissioner Charles Richardson and seconded by Commissioner Jennifer Revels-Baxter that Mrs. Shirley Freeman be named Vice Chair. Motion carried.

Ms. Shirley Freeman's nomination was accepted by acclamation with a motion from Commissioner Ricky Burnett and seconded by Commissioner Jennifer Revels-Baxter. Motion carried.

Nomination of Secretary Treasurer: Chairman opened the floor for the nomination for Secretary/Treasures.

Ms. Isabell Freeman-Elliott's nomination was accepted by acclamation with a motion from Commissioner Jeffrey Anstead and seconded by Commissioner Marvel Welch. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION:

Order of Long Leaf Pine for Earlene Stacks, Former Commission Member: Secretary Machelle Sanders, NC Department of Administration presented the Long Leaf Pine Award to Mrs. Earlene Stacks. Secretary Sanders congratulated Mrs. Stacks for her dedicated years of service to the state of North Carolina.

The Long Leaf Pine is the highest award from the current Governor Roy Cooper to a citizen of North Carolina to recognize citizens for their contribution to the state.

A group photo was taken of Mrs. Stack in recognition of the presentation.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Greg Richardson, Executive Director, NC Commission of Indian Affairs, presented this item.



- Observed a moment of silence for Faith Hedgepeth and her family. She was an undergraduate student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was murdered on September 7, 2012, prior to that commission meeting.
- Announced funding opportunity from the Governors Crime Commission that the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault grant applications will be mailed to the tribes and organizations next week. Mr. Richardson informed everyone that there is a deadline for the application process.
- Announced that in 2018, 51 students were selected to receive a \$1,000 scholarship from the NC American Indian Fund Scholarship for the 2018-2019 academic year. Mr. Richardson also informed everyone that in 2019, the same process will be followed, the application process begins January 1, 2019, and will be due May 1, 2019. Information about this scholarship is provided on the Triangle Community Foundation website.
- Introduced Mr. Maxton Richardson, Haliwa Saponi tribe, graduate from East Carolina University.
 Due to time constraints, he expressed that he would like to speak to members via phone or email regarding detailed information on the Campus Ministry as well as advocate the need for financial assistance to make this vision a possibility.
- Announced the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Commissioner Sam lambert and Helena Lambert.
- A budget updated is listed in the Executive Director's report.
- Accompanied, Deputy Secretary Christy Agner during a meeting with the Cherokee tribe this quarter which included the follows:
 - Met with Chief Richard Sneed, Chief Paxton Myer and Ms. Ashleigh Stephens, Public Relations Officer.
 - Visited with the Cherokee Central School Coach and the Cherokee Braves, football team and presented them with a framed copy of a Resolution adopted during the March Commission meeting.
 - Visited the Kituwah Academy School, met with Mrs. Highley Shuler, School Principal.
 Visited the Cherokee Central Medical Center and met with Mr. Casey Cooper, CEO of the Cherokee Hospital.
 - Visited the Swain/Qualla Safe Inc., to conduct a site visit and received an overview of the
 programs and services provided. It is a private non-profit agency which provides a variety
 of services to residents of Swain and the Quall boundary. The program provides domestic
 violence, sexual assault and violence prevention program activities.
 - Visited the Cherokee Life-Recreation Services Center, met with Mrs. Cameo Lanning,
 Director and learned about the services provided for Cherokee citizens.
 - Details of the Cherokee Meetings are listed in the Executive Director's report.
- Introduced Mr. Quinn Godwin, Lumbee, who was recently employed in the Governor's Community Engagement Officer in Raleigh.
- Lumbee Homecoming Engagement Parade, July 2018. Governor Roy Cooper participated in the Lumbee Homecoming parade and the Commission had entry in the parade.
- American Indian of Proud Nations Conference held September 6-7, 2018, at the Sampson County Exposition Center in Clinton, NC in conjunction with the Commission meeting.
- 2020 US Census Tribal Liaison Nomination took place this quarter.
- Summer Interns, Mr. Nathanial Jacobs, Coharie worked with the State Recognition Program and was responsible for records and coordination of program activities. Ms. Alexandra Bailey worked with the Section 8 Housing Program, she assisted with the development of the Family Self-Sufficiency materials, designed a proposed outreach strategy for the program.



- Announced the 2019 Summer Intern opportunities at the Department of Administration.
- Announced the appointment of Commissioner Jeff Anstead and Mr. Joseph Own on the Department of Quality (DEQ) Advisory Committee.
- Announced staff update (vacancy and new hire) as follows:
 - Workforce innovations Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program: Retirement of Elk Richardson, Director, WIOA Program effective September 1, 2018.
 - Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Program: Appointed Ms. Annie Francis, Director, ICW Program.
 - Domestic Violence and Awareness Prevention (DV & AP) Program: Ms. Tenley Nikki Locklear, Director, DV & AP Program.
- Staff Quarterly Reports: The reports are enclosed in the meeting packet.
- Other Announcements: Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program There is a shortage of housing units in the American Indian Communities of Columbus, Halifax, Sampson and Warren Counties. If Commission members know of any vacant rental homes in the community, they were encouraged to let David Grigsby, Director of the Section 8 Housing Program know.

The Executive Director's Report is attached (Attachment B) and is an official part of the minutes.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION:

- > Commission members requested guidelines on the Section 8 Choice Voucher Program.
- ➤ Mr. David Grigsby, Director, Section 8 Housing Program gave a brief overview. He explained the old units verses new units. Mr. Grigsby also noted the following: (1) Bad tenants, misuse of the facility; (2) Reference of previous landlords; (3) Owe landlord part of rent, voucher is withdrawn immediately. It was indicated that the tenant needs to pay past due rent to previous or current landlord to continue with the program. The program is working on establishing a policy. Mr. Grigsby requested members to share ideas that could help improve the current situation regarding the supply of additional units.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

Since it was the annual meeting, each program manager was requested to present a brief overview of their program to the Commission.

Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program: Mr. David Grigsby, Program Director presented this item. Topics discussed were as follows:

- In addition to the shortage of housing units discussed earlier, Mr. Grigsby contacted other Housing Association who expressed that they were experiencing the same overall shortage of housing units. He indicated that the economy is better, and people want to move out of their parent's houses. He noted the increase of demand for housing but no increase for supply of housing units.
- It was indicated that the programs that are in place to support Low Income Housing in North Carolina, they work well in Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro, Wilson and Rocky Mount. The program does not work in Warrenton, Princeville, Hollister, and other small towns. He noted that there is opportunity for potential contractors to build housing units in rural communities. It was expressed that this is a problem statewide, in particular to the east of I-95 up to the coast.

No handout was provided.



Indian Child Welfare Program: Ms. Annie Francis, Program Director presented this item. Topics discussed were as follows:

- Initiative has trained 19 Native families. Families range from single individual to up to four adults. Three families have received their license and have foster children in their homes.
- Expressed a need for Native foster homes
- Currently this quarter, two families are in the pipeline receiving training
- Scheduled a training to a group in Robeson County in January 2019. Met with the Sampson County Program Director and established a partnership and a protocol if a Native American child comes into the facility they will contact Ms. Francis at the Commission of Indian Affairs if she can provide a culturally congruent home for the foster care child. Ms. Francis indicated that she is tracking foster parents by the tribe. Example: If the foster child is a Lumbee, he/ she will be placed in a Lumbee home.
- Educating the state on what a congruent foster care facility looks like. In April 2018, met with Guardian Ad Litem, Social Service Supervisor and workers in Greensboro, to educate them how to serve the Native American children in North Carolina. Initiate best practices, continuing support services on counseling, coaching, and listening to families within the communities dealing with service abuse epidemic and children being removed from homes.
- In conclusion, she noted that she visits foster families to receive updates and help with advice and address their concerns. She requested members to support the Indian Child Welfare Program initiative.
- Mr. Greg Richardson thanked Representative Charles Graham for his initiative towards the funding of \$60,000.00 grant from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to recruit American Indian Foster families state-wide.

No handout was provided.

State Recognition Program: Ms. Elizabeth Walker, Program Director presented this item. Topics discussed were as follows:

- This State Recognition Committee met this spring and approved the new technical assistance document requests. A SharePoint page was created to record responses of potential petitioning groups. Ms. Walker noted that this will be easy for the public to access the guidance on how to submit petition documents for state recognition.
- Listed on the webpage is an outline of a suggested concise written narrative and rules. Also, listed are sample letters and forms for documenting a petition. The goal is to have a uniform system for petitions.
- Notified all pending petition groups of the new procedures/guidance.
- Noted that the Cherokee of Red Banks have completed their genealogy and have uploaded it to the Roots Magic Program.
- Received inquiry from several other groups on guidance to submit a petition.
- Tuscarora Nation petition preliminary negative finding of significant deficiencies. They have indicated that they will be supplementing their petition documents that have not been received as of this date. Tuscarora Nation have requested an extension on time, ending January 2019. Ms. Walker indicated that the program expects to receive the Tuscarora documents shortly, prior to January 25th deadline.



• In conclusion, Ms. Walker noted that the program anticipates more inquiry and documentation. It was noted that when the documentation is completed in full, the Recognition Committee gets involved.

No handout was provided.

Economic Development Program & Supporting Undergraduate Native Students (SUNS)

Community Development: Ms. Kimberly Hammonds, Program Director presented this item. A handout of the presentation was provided.

Topics discussed were as follows:

- Funding for the program will be continued for another year.
- Students that are part of the SUNS program will receive funding until June 30, 2019. The program serves 38 students; grant award for FY 18-19 is \$55,280. The funding provides directs services to the students.
- Ms. Hammonds stated that she is responsible for the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP). The program provides educational materials and community outreach/ presentations.

A handout of the presentation (Attachment C) was distributed and is an official part of the minutes.

American Indian Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program: Mr. Greg Richardson introduced Ms. Sue Faircloth as the interim Program Director. He informed that Ms. Sue will take care of the student application process. Mr. Richardson thanked Mr. William (Bill) Starlings, President, Sampson Community College for referring students to the WIOA program who graduated this past summer.

Strategic plan – Working Group Update: Chair Shirley Freeman, Adhoc Strategic Planning Working Group presented this item. A handout of the presentation prepared by Dr. David H. Kiel, Advisor to the Committee was provided. Topics discussed were as follows:

- Objectives on the Plan of Action: Reviewed and discussed the report submitted by Dr. Kiel, Facilitator at the Work Session dated May 31-June1, 2018.
- Bridging the gap between the Communities, Tribes and Urban Indian Organizations.
- Chair Freeman requested for funding support from State Officials.
- The Adhoc Strategic Planning Work Group was appointed by Chairman Furnie Lambert.
- A determination of priority needs and directions on the strategic plan will be submitted at the December Commission meeting.
- A series of options and recommendations for specific strategies and actions to be reviewed and discussed at the March Commission meeting at the Indian Unity Conference.
- Final approval of the fully defined plan will be discussed at the June Commission meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION:

- Commission members noted that the Commission will be visiting the tribal communities to hear and identify problems and share request from Representatives from the Tribal Communities and Commission Members. So, progress can be achieved on both sides.
- ➤ Chair Shirley Freeman Informed Chairman Lambert that Commissioner Wanda Burns-Ramsey wanted to join the Adhoc Strategic Planning Committee. Chairman Lambert announced that Commissioner Wanda Burns-Ramsey was appointed on the Committee.



A handout of the Adhoc Strategic Planning Committee presentation (Attachment D) was distributed and is an official part of the minutes.

Chairman Lambert announced a short recess for lunch. Chairman Lambert noted that the luncheon will be in conjunction with the American Indian of Proud Nation's at the adjacent banquet hall.

Lunch break, meeting reconvened at 2:09 p.m. (Working lunch).

Chairman Lambert congratulated Commission Marvel Welch, she received an award for "Distinguished Woman" at the American Indian of Proud Nation's luncheon.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Museum Vision – University of North Carolina at Pembroke: Ms. Nancy Field, Director, Lumbee, Museum University of North Carolina at Pembroke. She gave a brief overview of the museum as follows:

- Extended an invitation for collaboration, partnership, relationship with the Commission
 - Provided a brief bio of herself.
 - The museum is the American Indian Culture Center.
 - In spring, the museum will embark on tribal outreach. Ms. Fields will be meeting with all tribal leaders, listen to the stories, art, history and culture opportunities that they can do together.
 - Partnering with the Ford Fisher and the Cape Fear Museum and the new Civil Award Museum in Fayetteville.
 - It was noted that Chancellor Cummings at UNCP has a vision that there could be a new museum. This could be the only southeast Museum that will focus on all the tribes here in the southeast. She noted a long-term plan on the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Collection and NAGPRA Inventory.
 - A public program Lumbee Genealogy Symposium, October 4-5, 2018. Registration cost is \$25. Register at uncp.edu/gap. In conclusion, she informed that the museum has launched a children's discovery center, this is for people to learn about the Native Indian people.

No handout was provided.

Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) Southgate Pipeline: Ms. Agnes Ramsey, Tribal Liaison/ Program Manager, NextEra Energy and Mr. Kyle Martin, Director Development, NextEra Energy presented this item on the mountain valley pipeline specifically on the MVP Southgate Project. A handout of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed.

The following was discussed:

- Project Overview The proposed project comes down from Virginia into North Carolina.
 NextEra Energy is a partner. It is part of the team that is proposing to build the MVP Southgate project.
 - Mountain Valley Pipeline both mainline as well as the Southgate project are made up of partners of which NextEra Energy is one of them.
- The Southgate project is a lateral pipeline, connects the supply of natural gas from the hub (mainline) to the customer where it will be used. The project route is preliminary and subject to revision based on feedback with landowners (Virginia and South Carolina) and other stakeholders, constructability and other considerations.



- Proximity to Tribal Area of Interest: The current route is approximate half a mile from the southwest corner of the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation. It was stated that the route is preliminary and subject to change.
- Proposed Project Schedule
- Why do we need MVP Southgate?
- Natural Gas and the Environment
- Direct-Use Benefits North Carolina
- How a Natural Gas Pipeline is Built
- Relentless Focus on Safety
- Our Commitment to the Environment
- Restoration and Land Use
- Website Information for Resource Reports and Resource News: http://mvpsouthgate.com/news-info
 - It was recommended to review resource report #4 (Cultural Resources), to provide feedback and suggestion. Report missing items or items needed to be investigated.
 - Also recommended was resource introductory report #1 (biological and species information). Requested feedback.
 - Complete surveys and submit
 - Ms. Ramsey informed the Commission to contact her if they need additional information.

A handout of the PowerPoint presentation on the Mountain Valley Pipeline (Attachment E) was distributed and is an official part of the minutes.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION:

- > Commissioner Jeff Anstead expressed concerns on various pipelines running through the indigenous communities. It was noted that the indigenous people are the original land owners. He noted that this presentation was for information purpose only. It was recommended that the Regulatory Commission consult with the Indian Tribes.
- > Dr. Ryan Emanuel, NC State University, Advisor to the Environment Justice Committee and to the Commission. Dr. Emanuel asked several clarifying questions as follows:
- Asked presenters if they came across problems dealing with tribes in the past, to describe the problems and give examples of the tribal issues they experienced.
- Ms. Ramsey, NextEra Energy, Tribal Liaison expressed her views and experiences. The company constructed a solar facility in Southern California. Worked with federal agencies and requested to identify properties they would lease to NextEra Energy to build the solar facility. Received all the permission from federal agencies to begin construction only to find out that consultation had not occurred with the appropriate tribes especially five tribes in the area that have sacred lands that were at the project site. It became apparent to NextEra not to only depend on the agencies consultation and coordination but to do more outreach with the local tribes. By the time the project was accomplished it became a partnership with the tribes. NextEra worked with the tribes to protect the areas that were sacred to the tribes. Any artifacts found were returned to the tribes. They had periodic meetings, sponsored educational opportunities for the tribal youth. This is how NextEra created Tribal Relations Group.
- > Dr. Emanuel thanked Ms. Ramsey for the explanation. He noted that the solar project is different from pipeline project. Ms. Ramsey agreed and noted that her company has been working on pipeline for 3-4 years.



- > Dr. Emanuel noted that there is a philosophical difference that the tribal nation share between the solar project is free of carbon and the shell gas pipeline which is not. He requested examples. Ms. Ramsey noted that NextEra has the experience.
- > Questions were asked if there was a feasibility study.
- > It was noted that the Southgate project will start construction. They are reaching out to the communities.
- Ms. Ramsey informed the Commission that Mr. Kyle Martin was there to assist her with any technical part of the questions.
- > Mr. Martin noted that they were conducting studies and surveys. He added that currently they are in the preliminary stage.
- Ms. Ramsey noted that through studies and surveys they can avoid archaeological sites. This is how the land is identified.
- > Dr. Ryan informed that tribal nations have very specific expectations about how due process functions with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Commission has stated in the past month that their policy is to disengage with any tribes that does not have full federal recognition. He noted that there are more than two levels of recognition in this meeting today. He expressed that this is very complicated. He suggested that Ms. Ramsey could be an advocate for these tribes. He recommended that if Ms. Ramsey would file an application for certificates, one of the first things would be to treat these tribal nations as sovereign nations. This would be helpful.
- > Dr. Ryan stated that the consultation process may result that are not compatible with the business plans, he requested that the Commission needs to have assurance regarding to show efforts made from Regulators and from NextEra staff to seriously weigh the ethical, religious, spiritual, cultural, economic and environmental concerns that will be weighed in the consultation process.
- Ms. Ramsey indicated that the company can strongly commit to coordinating and having the dialogue to avoid the issues of concerns that the tribes have identified. She suggested they can work towards requesting jobs for all tribes and get the feedback and hopefully they would honor the suggestion. Ms. Ramsey noted that she and Mr. Martin were committed to working with the Commission regardless to what of the outcome.
- > Dr. Emanuel asked that if the agency does not honor the request, if Ms. Ramsey could advocate to her supervisor on behalf of the Commission.
- > Question was asked how many jobs in 2020 were union jobs and non-union jobs.
- Mr. Martin noted that it would be hard to predict, since it was so far out. He informed that the survey feedback was 50%.

GENX update: Mr. Michael Scott, Director of Division of Waste Management and Mr. Mike Abraczinskas, Director of Division of Air Quality presented this item on behalf of Ms. Sheila Holman, Assistant Secretary, Department of Quality (DEQ).

Mr. Michael Scott, Director of Division of Waste Management, DEQ discussed the following on Testing for Emerging Compounds, regarding surface water and ground water issues. It is a pipe discharge into the river. A handout of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed. (Presentation 1 of 2): Discussion:

Fluorinated compounds also known as Pfas, these are products used as Teflon. This product was discovered last June in North Carolina. Mr. Scott provided an update on the departments involvement with this type of contamination, counties it effects and what the department is doing moving forward.



- Another term for Fluorinated compounds is also known as emerging compounds, it is not federal standards or state standards. Data at the Drinking Water Facilities were presented.
- Department of Quality (DEQ) continues to engage the communities around this particular plant. It is the Dupont Plant, now Chemours in Bladen County. It is referred as the Fayetteville Works plant off HW 87 (northern part of Bladen County on the Bladen Cumberland line).
- It was noted DEQ had six community information sessions to keep the communities informed about this contamination, regarding their evaluation on the Cape Fear River and in the private wells.
- DEQ is looking at the resources involved, such as the Division of Water Resources, Division of Waste Management, Division of Air Quality and the Department of Health and Human Services. These departments must establish provisional health goals for this one fluorinated compound GenX. People need to know "can I consume my private well water?"; "can I consume what is coming out of the Cape Fear River as a drinking water source?"; "Is this safe or not?"
- Federal partners Environment Protection Agency (EPA) have been instrumental in the investigation of this contamination in Bladen County. It has been documented in private wells in Robeson County and Cumberland County. Three counties have been impacted by this contamination. The Cape Fear River flows to Wilmington, so there are users of the drinking water from Cape Fear Public Utilities and other drinking water providers who have drawn the water out of the Cape Fear River and not been able to filter out this compound and unfortunately provided to the users within those systems. Not a lot has been known about GenX, but it does have different health impacts. There are concerns that it is related to cancer, there are concerns it is related to the immune system, to the kidneys, to liver impacts.
- It was indicated that Fluorinated compounds are not only associated with GenX in Fayetteville, they are working with Fluorinated compounds in Greensboro. There is a lot of federal work at the Department of Defense facilities. Fire-fighting foams are used that have these compounds in it.
- Data at the Chemours Outfall, GenX levels have been decreased no longer discharging these compounds into the Cape Fear River, they have diverted the water to another disposal location. It no longer goes into the river.
- Other concerns that the community have is that their private wells have been impacted. Other sources will be discussed later.
- DEQ is sampling private wells in rural North Carolina (Robeson County, Bladen County and Cumberland County). DEQ is sampling almost 500 miles from the plant and still finding samples in wells that have these compounds in them that should not be consumed for ingestion purposes.
- Scientists in Human Services informed that it is okay to shower and wash clothes but not cook with the water if the contamination is over 140 parts per trillion level.
- Recap on the graphs were discussed.
- DEQ is actively working on other solutions instead of bottle water since private wells have these compounds in it. DEQ is looking at carbon filtration system to get people off bottled water.
- A shed will be built in the home owners backyard to install granular activated carbon filtration system for residences with GenX present in well at or above 140 ng/l. page 8 of the PowerPoint. The company is paying, DEQ is collecting data on the effectiveness of these systems to ensure homeowners that the filters are working.
- Commission member asked if there were several compounds in the drinking water. Mr. Scott
 confirmed that there were several compounds in the drinking water. GenX is the one that gets the
 most attention. It is in the environment as well.



- Commission member asked how it is spread. Mr. Scott replied that this will be addressed in the next PowerPoint presentation (attachment G), atmospheric deposition. It comes from the discharge to the river. Private wells contamination came out of the plant through atmospheric deposition.
- Question was asked if the test kits they received recently were from the state government. Mr. Scott replied that the state of North Carolina is testing private wells for the ones who have signed up at the community meetings and have requested free of charge. The company has sent out information to test the community wells.
- Commission member asked concerning question, if it is affecting the fish consumption since the people in the Waccamaw Siouan Community have died from cancer. How long has the contamination been going on into the river? Mr. Scott replied it has been many years, perhaps over 10 years due to the atmospheric deposition. He referred to the GenX fish tissue testing slide in the presentation. Page 11 of the PowerPoint presentation.
- Commission members asked how safe is the bottled water? Mr. Scott replied that DEQ has not tested the bottled water. The bottle water that Chemours is using is Crystal Spring. They are distributing the 3 gallons jugs that goes in the dispenser for the people who have well contamination. It was stated that the state has not tested the bottle water supply.
- Commissioner members asked about testing well water on private property. Mr. Scott stated that the landowners reach out to them and DEQ does the testing for free. Currently they have approximately 300 people on the list. It was noted that community members can still contact Mr. Scott at DEQ and get on the list, especially the ones that live close to the plant.
- Private recreational lakes, elementary schools have been tested.
- Private lake testing by DEQ was conducted. A limited fish tissue testing by DEQ found GenX in Redear Sunfish. GenX was not found in Catfish and Largemouth Bass. This is just one study results. DEQ plans to collect more data.
- In conclusion, DEQ is working to get people on different water systems and are continuing the investigations. Regarding the plant pumping out the shallow aquifers, removing contaminated soil. This will be an ongoing investigation; future clean-up efforts will focus on groundwater and soil.

Handout of the PowerPoint presentation on the GenX update on Testing for Emerging Compounds (Attachments F) was distributed and is an official part of the minutes.

Mr. Mike Abraczinskas, Director of Division of Air Quality, DEQ discussed the following on Emerging Compounds, regarding air quality regarding GenX. A handout of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed. (Presentation 2 of 2):

Discussion:

- How much of the GenX compound is emitted into the atmosphere from this facility?
- Emerging Compounds GenX emissions data Stack tests estimates of 2016 April 2018
- Air Emissions Testing "Stack Testing" at Chemours Ten weeks this year, primarily focused on GenX
- Emerging Compounds Ambient Air Quality-Atmospheric Deposition. DAQ designed a rain water collection equipment to determine the atmospheric contribution of the compound to the ground water issues. Used lab protocols.
- PowerPoint slide on Rainwater GenX, January 28-29, 2018. Page 3



- PowerPoint slide on Rainwater GenX, February 28-March 2, 2018, expanded experiment oriented temporary collection near the facility at distances of 3, 5 and 7 miles from the facility. Placed samplers according to the precise metrological forecast for the placement of the buckets to obtain samples. Values as high as 810 parts per trillion in rain water as far away as five miles from the facility was captured. Air emission was higher what DAQ thought and understood. Page 4
- Designed official equipment to collect rain water near the site. Page 4
- Recent data from the permanent site near the Chemours plant. Five sites, DAQ is collecting both wet and dry deposition samples. June 5-June 12, 2018. It was stated that DAQ is continuing to take week long samples. The updated data is posted on the DAQ website. Page 5.
- Summary of facts—DAQ's investigation involving GenX and other PFAs from Chemours. Page 5
- GenX Recent Actions April 6, 2018; Notice of intent to modify Chemours' air permit. Page 6
- GenX Recent Actions –April 27, 2018, Chemours response; Committed to install and operate a Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer by 2020. This control device is expected to achieve a 99% reduction of GenX air emissions from the facility. Also, a 99.9% reduction in other PFAs components from the facility.
- DAQ is working on a modification to their air quality permit to require the control device. This is a \$100 M investment they have committed in response.
- GenX Thermal Oxidizer permitting schedule was discussed on the draft permit, public meetings and Final Action was discussed. Page 7
- In the interim until the Thermal Oxidizer is installed end of 2019, Chemours have installed Carbon Adsorbers for portions of the air emission at the site. Carbon Adsorbers is an effective way to remove acid gas, odors, etc. from contaminated air and gas streams. Page 7
- Received a 40% reduction of GenX due to the installation of Carbon Adsorbers.
- Commission members asked the timeline of the 40% reduction. Mr. Abraczinskas informed that
 the Carbon Adsorbers were installed and operational in late May 2018 and received a 40%
 reduction facility wide of GenX emission.
- How long were these compounds being emitted before the findings? The production of GenX was the replacement of what was thought to be a more harmful compound. Transition happened in 2009/2010. GenX air emissions were coming from the facility from decades prior as a byproduct or intermediate emission from other things that they produce at the facility. It was noted that DAQ has a much better understanding due to the comprehensive devices that the Carbon Adsorbers and the Thermal Oxidizer addresses to reduce.
- Question was asked on the material. How is it stabilized before using the product? He responded that some of the things like GenX that are produced are used to make other products that are then used to make other products. GenX may not be in the finished product.
- DAQ's message to industries to know what is in your waste streams, water streams and air emission streams. DAQ is looking at its monitoring and capability programs across the Department and in the department of air quality. He noted that this is a resource issue and the department need to have more resources in place to have adequate environmental monitoring for these types of compounds. In the Division of Air Quality, they are expanding the rain water monitoring to get background data across the state for other PFAs compounds.
- Questions were asked on the Cultural Impact Policies and What are the impacts. Mr.
 Abraczinskas informed that he would take the question on policy back to his Environment Justice Board. Odor rules are enforced. Short term monitoring is observed.
- Question were asked on the Delco area air quality. Log fumigation, Methal Bromide, exports to China and India. Delco applied for an air quality permit in eastern Columbus County, the permit



on fumigation operation is on hold. DAQ is working with their Commission regarding new requirements for these types of operations.

- DAQ's Environment Management Commission will develop a process for an acceptable ambient level for Methyl Bromide that will be included to the state toxic program. Avoid that is being built. They will make sure that the emitting levels are not harmful to human level.
- Commission members requested DAQ to check the air quality in their community.
- Proposed facility Delco do not have a permit to do any fumigation on that site.
- DAQ have sent out notices to existing facilities and new facilities regarding the air quality rules.
 Facilities will be put on a compliance schedule and will have to comply with the new rules once they will be in place.

Handout of the PowerPoint presentation on the GenX update on Emerging Compounds-GenX Emissions Data (Attachments G) was distributed and is an official part of the minutes.

The following Committee report was announced due to early departure of Commissioner Sam Lambert and his guest presenter Mr. Joe Kirstek.

Veterans Committee Report: Commissioner Sam Lambert presented the following report:

- He introduced Mr. Joe Kristek, Vice President, NC Vietnam Veteran announced the upcoming George C. Duggins Region III Conference, March 21-23, 2019, Durham, NC. A flyer with the agenda was distributed. The theme of the conference is "Aging Veteran". He announced that there will be short informative seminars at the conference.
- Hotel Accommodation Millennium Durham Hotel, off Duke Campus; Room Rate \$85
- Website: <u>www.nc-vva.org</u>
- Commissioner Lambert requested the names of the Veterans that will be honored at the Unity Conference in March 2019, be submitted in December 2018. He noted the deadline to submit is December 1, 2018.
- Commissioner Lambert informed that he has raised funds from corporate donors. He announced that he is seeking funding for this event.

The handout flyer Vietnam Veterans of America-George C. Duggins Region III Conference Agenda was distributed and is an official part of the minutes. (Attachments H)

Agenda Continued

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: Chairman Furnie Lambert discussed the Committee Appointments

(Chairs only). The following was discussed:

Executive Committee: Change Dorothy Crowe to Dorothy Yates

Cultural Resources: No change

Indian Housing: Delete Daniel Jones and include Ricky Burnett

Employment and Training: Delete John Lowery

Indian Education: Change Dorothy Crowe to Dorothy Yates; include Adhoc Member: Julia Da Silva

Adhoc-Indian Health: Change Dorothy Crowe to Dorothy Yates

Legislative: Include Marvel Welch as Chair

Adhoc-Land Trust: Delete Daniel Jones and include Ricky Burnett

Veterans: Delete Sharn Jefferies

Recognition: Change Dorothy Crowe to Dorothy Yates



Indian Child Welfare: Chair Marvel Welch requested for additional Commission members to have a quorum.

- Chairman Lambert announced the following names to be included: Dorothy Yates, Larece Hunt, Helen Cook. Commissioner Charles Richardson requested to be added to the list.

- Chair Welch announced the following adhoc members: Leslie Jones, Jenny Bean, Peter West, Charlene Hunt, Jennifer Brewer Young

Environmental Justice: No change

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Chairman Lambert announced that only the action items should be reported

by Committee Chairs, during the meeting.

Adhoc Indian Health Committee: No report was noted Adhoc Land Trust Committee: No report was noted

Veterans Committee: Announced earlier

Culture Resources Committee: No report was noted

Employment and Training Committee: No report was noted

Environment Justice Committee: No report was noted **Indian Child Welfare Committee**: Announced earlier

Indian Education Committee: Chair Dorothy Yates presented the following:

- The NC American Indian Fund Scholarship quarterly statement was included in the Board packet. Statement ending date March 2018. She reiterated the information in 2018, 51 students were selected to receive a \$1,000 scholarship fund from the AI Fund Scholarship. Page 2 of the handout list the breakdown of recipient specifics for 2018, Tribes, Counties and Schools student represent. She informed that the students can reapply for four consecutive years. The application open January 1, 2019 and close May 1, 2019. Applications must be submitted on-line. Recommendations are submitted at the State Advisory Council for Indian Education (SACIE) meeting, November 1st. The final list of applications will be approved at the SACIE meeting in December.
- SACIE Member List: She announced the following list of representatives: The following positions can serve a second term: Applications must be received by November 1, 2018. The positions open July 1, 2019. This is submitted early to fit the Board of Education schedule. The list of SACIE names must be submitted before March 2019. This will be approved at the December 2018 meeting.

Sabrina Arch; Eastern Band of Cherokee; Parent

Connie Harland; Lumbee; Parent Chad Pierce; Lumbee; Parent

Joy Rector; Waccamaw Siouan; Educator

Will Paul; Sappony; Educator Lisa Locklear; Coharie; Educator

- It was indicated SACIE has three (3) parent positions and (3) educator positions

- Commission member requested a list of University students that receive funding from the NC American Indian Fund Scholarship. Chair Yates expressed that she will make note of this request and report to the Committee.

Chairman Lambert announced UNCP tuition \$500; Out of state students \$2500

Indian Housing Committee: No report was noted **Recognition Committee**: Announced earlier



INFORMATION ITEM: Not listed on the agenda

United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY), Arizona - Mr. Greg Richardson introduced Ms. Mary Kim, Executive Director, National UNITY, Arizona. She gave a brief overview of the organization "United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY)". She informed that they have the largest network of youth councils (222 youth councils in 36 states). Next conference is in Orlando, July 2019, and Washington DC in 2020. She requested members to visit the website and send the youth to the five-day conference. She noted that the fees are low. The conference is about building up the youth, inspiring them, and motivating them to do good things, focus on leadership development, citizenship. She noted that it is all about the youth enabling them to be productive young adults. Information will be posted on the UNITY website. It was noted that the "Tool kit, sample resolution, sample constitution and by-laws" are posted on the website. Students also learn the Roberts Rules and policies. There is also a unity fire burning 24/7. They have spiritual leaders available. Commission members thanked Ms. Kim for her presentation.

No handout was presented.

ITEMS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS: Commission members announced events/ Pow Wow's in their communities. Mr. Greg Richardson announced that the Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) are due on April 15th each year. He recommended that members need to stay current with the SEI requirements (3-hour on-line mandatory training) and Education requirements. Waiver for Perdiem must be returned by the end of October 2018. Commission member requested that the birth certificate indicate "American Indian and tribe name". It was noted that this issue needs to be discussed with Vital Records. Mr. Richardson informed that he will invite a representative from Vital Records to present at the next Commission meeting.

No handouts were presented.

FLOWER FUND REPORT:

A handout was provided by Ms. Isabell Freeman-Elliott, Secretary Treasurer, NC Commission of Indian Affairs. The Flower Fund balance is \$639. The Veteran's Plaque Fund is \$160. (Attachment I and Attachment J)

FUTURE MEETING DATES & EVENTS: The meeting dates were listed on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further items to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Marvel Welch. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Charles Richardson. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2018,

Raleigh, NC/Location to be announced.

Isabell Freeman-Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer

NC Commission of Indian Affairs

(Sign & Date)

Dapline Pinto, Recording Secretary

(Sign & Date)



These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs on December 7, 2018.

Isabel Freeman-Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer

NC Commission of Indian Affairs

(Sign & Date)



N.C. COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Sampson County Exposition Center

414 Warsaw Road Clinton, North Carolina 28328

September 7, 2018

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Heritage Hall - Salon B

AGENDA (Draft)

Opening Session	10:00 am – 10:45 am
Welcome, Call to Order & Adopt Agenda	Furnie Lambert, Chairman
Invocation	Rev. Rickey Burnett, Commission Member
Pledge of Allegiance	Walter D. Baucom, Commission Member
Roll Call	Daphne Pinto, Administrative Assistant
Reading of Ethics Statement	Greg Richardson, Executive Director
Review and Approval of May31-June 1, 2018, Work Session Meeting Minutes	Furnie Lambert, Chairman
Review and Approval of July 11, 2018, Teleconference Meeting	Furnie Lambert, Chairman
Tribal Welcome	Greg Jacobs, Tribal Administrator, Coharie Indian Tribe
Welcome Remarks	William "Bill" Starlings, President, Sampson Community College
Legislative Updates	Rep. Charles Graham, District 47, NC General Assembly
Swearing in Ceremony – New and Returning Members	
 Introduction of New and Returning Members Tribal Representatives: Lenora Locklear, Coharie Tribe Sam Lambert, Eastern Band of the Cherokee Charles Richardson, Haliwa-Saponi Ricky Burnett, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina Urban Indian Organizations Representatives: Helen Cook, Cumberland County Association for Indian People Walter Baucomb, Metrolina Native American Association Danny Bell, Triangle Native American Association 	Furnie Lambert, Chairman Representative Charles Graham, District 47, Robeson County, NC General Assembly

Nomination and Election of Officers • Vice-Chair • Secretary/Treasurer	Furnie Lambert, Chairman	
	10:45 am – 12:00 pm	
Presentation Order of the Long Leaf Pine for Earlene Stacks, Former Commission Member	Machelle Sanders, Secretary, NC Department of Administration	
Executive Director's Report	Greg Richardson, Executive Director	
Program Updates: (3 minutes)		
 Economic Development Program & Supporting Undergraduate Native Students Community Development-Low Income Energy American Indian Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Section 8 Housing Assistance Domestic Violence Crime Victim Service Indian Child Welfare 	Kimberly Hammonds, Program Director Peggy Ammons, Program Director Vacant, Program Director David Grigsby, Program Director Tenley "Nikki" Locklear, Program Director Annie Frances, Program Director	
Quarterly Program Reports (copies included in packet)		
Strategic Plan – Working Group Update	Shirley Freeman, Chair, Adhoc Working Group	
Recess - American Indian of Proud Nation's Luncheons	12:00 – 1:30 pm	
Special Presentations Museum Vision - University of North Carolina a Pembroke Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP)/Southgate Pipeline	Nancy Field, Director, Museum University of North Carolina at Pembroke Agnes Ramsey, Tribal Liaison/Program Manager, NextEra Energy	
GNEX Update	Sheila Holman, Assistant Secretary, Department of Quality	
Committee Appointments (Chairs only)	Furnie Lambert, Chairman	
Committee Reports - Action Item Only Please		
Adhoc Indian Health	Charles Richardson, Chairman	
Adhoc Land Trust	Furnie Lambert, Chair	

Veterans -Veterans Convention, Durham, NC -2019 Veteran Awards -Nominations Needed by December 1st	Sam Lambert, Chair
Culture Resources	Jeffrey Anstead, Chair
Employment & Training	W.D. Baucom, Chair
Environmental Justice	Jeffrey Anstead, Chair
Indian Child Welfare	Marvel Welch, Chair
Indian Education	Dorothy Crowe, Chair
Indian Housing	Elton Ray Jacobs, Chair
Legislative	Vacant, Chair
Recognition	Larece Hunt, Chair
Items from Commission Members	Furnie Lambert
Flower Fund Report	Isabell Freeman-Elliott
Adjournment	3:30 pm
2018 – 2019 Meeting Dates & Events	Location
December 7, 2018 - Commission Meeting	Charlotte Pending
March 7-9, 2019 –In conjunction with 2019 NC Indian Unity Conference June 7, 2019	Hilton North Raleigh Hotel, Raleigh, NC Location to be announced