



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2002
LITTLE RIVER BAND COMMUNITY CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

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The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Community Center on August 17, 2002. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

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9/10/03

I. Opening Prayer

The Tribal Council engaged in a silent prayer.

II. General Business

A. Call To Order:

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting of Saturday, August 17, 2002, was called to order at 10:17 a.m.

B. Roll Call

C. Bennett – Present	C. Fisher – Present	T. Kleeman – Present
L. McCatty – Present	P. Medahko – Present	S. Parsons – Present
E. Porter – Present	P. Ruiter – Present	J. Sam – Present

Quorum established.

Others Present: Jo Anne House, Kathleen Block, Candice Chapman

C. Approval of Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED;
McCatty by; supported by Porter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

D. Public Comment Period

Chapman asked if our Grants and Contracts department was still in existence or is that external resources. Parsons stated that it wasn't a titled department but that they exist. Chapman stated that she knows of a person who had headed up that department and that his scope of work had changed but at one time he ran a few departments under him with compensation. She wanted to know if the compensation has changed seeing that he no longer is holding that title. A comment was made that he only had a title change and that it included no compensatory change as to personal salary whatsoever, that he readily accepted increased responsibilities to supervise employees in an organizational structure that's basically flat lined in an effort to lean toward a more reasonable organizational structure. The position was an experiment that didn't work out and the Council changed the title back to Grants and Contracts. Another comment was that this woman thought the Ogema told the Council, that there was a pay increase that happened with the title. Chapman stated the same. Chapman stated that members had contacted her with that concern.

Sam stated that the Tribal Council has taken the opportunity to look into Human Resources matters and that they have started by requesting reports from the Ogema's office. Sam stated that Council has received part A of the report and are waiting for part B of that same report regarding HR practices, salary information, hiring, promotions and etc. Sam stated that the Council would be looking at the compliance issue for salary; no action plan has been devised yet because there hasn't been one needed. Sam stated that every position in the Tribe would be looked at, the salary grade that's assigned, whether or not the compensation is within the salary grade for the position and if there are any changes that need to be made legislatively to better define how those issues are addressed. Sam stated that this would include a comprehensive review of people's movement through the organization, especially Tribal members movement through the organization and that there is no time set for this but she hopes to get this completed soon because of the first drafts coming out for the preliminary budget for 2003. Sam also stated that some Council members have been contacted about compensation matters within the Tribal government and so as a whole, the Council has determined to review the operation and determine if there is any legislative changes necessary.

Chapman asked where she could get Casino revenue reports, like break downs of what percents are being allocated towards gaming, accounting, state and day-to-day operations. Sam stated that the Ogema submits to the Tribal Council a financial report every month and Casino financial information was included in the newsletter under the Council Recorder's release. Sam further stated that the chief financial officer gives the revenues year-to-date, what the annual revenues were, distributions to the

Tribe and annual distributions were year-to-date. The information includes 1999-2002. Sam stated to Chapman that the Council could give her the general administrative expenses or the broad category numbers but it wouldn't be in the best interest of the Casino to provide the detailed reports that gives each individual department operating budget or expenses. Sam gave an example of Turtle Creek being able to look at our budget for marketing and then trying to out compete with LRC. Sam stated that this report once accepted by Tribal Council is public record; a Tribal member can request this at any time either through the Ogema's office or the Council's office. Sam stated what is confusing about the revenue numbers is that in the public media verses what the Tribes bottom line is, is that the State's gaming compact is written through the gross on slots, they collect a tax based on the slots without any overhead or any other deductions, they get the tax on the gross not the net. Sam stated that the Tribe doesn't get to discount the tax by any of our costs. Chapman asked what are the percentages right off the top. Ruiter stated that 2% was local and 8% state. Sam stated that the Tribe has a 3% tax that is levied against enterprise, that is to fund the operations of the gaming commission and compliance and regulatory matters, which is credited to the general fund of the Tribe.

Chapman asked about the Membership Program. Chapman stated that we are not hitting all of our membership; most are stockholders. Chapman stated that she would like to see everybody being able to access programs. Chapman went on to say that the people, who are fortunate enough to have two incomes coming into the household, still need financial Tribal help from time to time but is not able to access the finances because of income guidelines being set low. Porter stated that the programs that are in place need to move forward and that the people who are less fortunate need to be brought up to speed with the others that are doing well in life. Porter stated that she doesn't begrudge helping other fellow Tribal Members with money, but that she doesn't like one trying to collect more than their fair share while others go without. Chapman pointed out that one of the Tribal members, who has now passed away, will never have her home repaired and that the Tribal residents who live there now will have to reapply to get things taken care of. Chapman stated that it isn't fair that these new residents have to wait because the deceased Tribal member qualified for all the repairs but they just weren't taken care of in a timely manner. Chapman further stated that there were programs that were up and running and ready to take care of the problems with the house but because of the processes that we took the repairs didn't get completed. Chapman stated that if the per capita thing was there maybe these repairs were some things that she could have taken care of herself. Chapman stated that we have wonderful programs and that they help a lot of people but all of the members have different dreams and goals that they would like to achieve for their families but she would like to see us work towards

this per capita because every time that its mentioned it's mentioned as welfare and it disturbs her to hear her Tribal co-workers say that they will become another welfare statistic. Chapman stated that she wants something better for herself and the Tribal members.

Chapman asked about a 401k program and stated that no one other than the Ogema was in jeopardy of loosing their 401k at that time. Chapman went on to say that she was under the understanding that all of the Little River employees were in jeopardy at that time and that is why the decision was made. Parsons stated that the only way that he can resolve this is by documentation.

Bennett stated that she feels that welfare is a handout and that per capita is an inheritance not a handout. Bennett stated that every Tribal person is entitled to share in what this Tribal Council has put together, there is the difference between the two; per capita and welfare.

Sam commented while the Tribe can rely on IRS rules or BIA definitions, it would have been appropriate at the time for the Tribe to adopt by legislation it's own designations. Sam further stated that there were real concerns about the work plan seizure [in response to the 401k issue], and what placed the plan in jeopardy wasn't whether or not the "elected officials" were participating but that a portion of them were and a portion were not. Sam also stated that what put the plan in jeopardy for the employees was that split between the "elected officials". The Council had never approved the plan for "elected officials" and they went forth with it anyway. Sam stated that the Ogema receives some different benefits than the Tribal Council. Sam stated that the Tribal Council does not get life insurance benefits as compared to the regular employees; Tribal Council gets 401k benefits and health insurance benefits but that these are extended to the Ogema. Sam believes that the Tribe should know where the money is being spent for these benefits.

Chapman asked if there has been any more follow up on forming a Public Relations Department.

III. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Commodities

1. Program Goals and Objectives

Theodore stated that they have been checking out prices for a walk-in cooler, steel shelves, riding forklifts and to have warehouse walls/floors painted – OSHA approved. Theodore stated that the Commodity Department has to take an 8-hour safety test in December.

2. Goals and Objectives completed at this time

Chad and Yvonne completed their training in Las Vegas for USDA, the Tailgating Commodities Program to Muskegon has 9 clients and they have sent out more applications, they have purchased new equipment, they have gotten their 2003 budget approved, new recipe books for fall Membership meeting and the Quarterly Reports are done on FIA budget.

3. Goals and Objectives being addressed

To take over public safety office area when they move.

4. Program Strengths

The Commodity Department works as a team to get things accomplished efficiently, they have taken surveys to better improve their department, they have 67 participants and they are doing commodities 2-days a week instead of only one.

5. Program Weaknesses

A walk behind forklift, office being in the same room with the food and not enough floor space for food orders.

Theodore stated that in the future their department would be in need of more staff. Davis stated that there would be more staff needed in the future because of the tailgates, and also possibly looking at a refrigeration unit for tailgate.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE COMMODITIES REPORT; by Kleeman; supported by Porter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

B. Economic Development

Clements was filling in for Sprague and he stated that the business plan and a proposed budget has been put together for 2003 and that Mr. Gibbs is helping put together the articles of incorporation and bylaws that will

help form a Tribal holding company that can be used to manage businesses with. Once this is approved through the Ogema's office and Tribal Council, it will then go through the Department of Interior for final approval.

Clements stated that two Tribal members talked to someone about the Tribe acquiring a certain property. The two didn't know that Mr. Sprague and Mr. Clements had already been talking to the seller through an agent for the last six months to get a deal and when they told the seller that the Tribe was thinking about this property it cost the Tribe an extra \$250,000.00 to close the deal. So now the Economic Development Board is very selective in what they say about what they are interested in.

Clements also stated that there is a delay in the Gas Station project because of financing problems.

Clements further stated that Mr. Sprague has been attending the tax negotiations on an on going basis, one in July and one in August.

Clement stated that the Economic Development Committee has been hit up by many golf courses and realtors to buy property from them but the committee has been very choosy about what to buy and how much to pay for what they purchase.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
REPORT;** by Kleeman; supported by Porter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

A. Report of the Tribal Ogema

1. Financial Report

Sam recommended that the item be postponed for two weeks on August 28, 2002.

**MOTION TO POSTPONE FINANCIAL REPORT OF
OGEMA;** by Kleeman; supported by Ruiter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – No	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – No	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – No	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (6-3-0-0)

B. Director of Operations Report

Davis stated that there was an update on the cost of the newsletter, it was budgeted at \$3,000.00 per month for mailing it out with the inclusion of the Tribal Council minutes, but in actuality it costs \$4,000.00 per month on the average. Davis also stated that he was recently accused of censoring the newsletter because of past problems with editorial comments and classified advertisements but is open for suggestions from the Tribe.

Sam proposed that if the Family Services Department is not able to provide information about the Tribal members then the Council is going to have to adopt a regulation requiring it. Sam stated that the Council should know what the case loads are so that funding can be placed in the correct place.

Bennett stated that she thought that a policy was made in regards to the newsletter being programs only and the results of the programs, but now she is seeing other things that don't belong in there like birthdays, etc.

McCatty wanted to know if the director's position had been posted. Davis stated that the position was posted on August 2, 2002. McCatty requested that Council be provided with a copy of whatever was accumulated and given to the auditor. McCatty requested a progress report from the Enrollment Department. McCatty stated that there was a substantial increase to the Helping Hands Program. McCatty also posed a question as to why the new jobs aren't put in the newsletter. Davis stated that the newsletter only goes out once a month and that the job hotline is a better way to communicate open positions.

Sam stated that if the applications that are coming in for the Helping Hands Program continue to come in at the rate that they are or near that rate that it would be almost a \$1,000,000 program. Sam also stated that the posting of jobs should be put in the newsletters. Sam stated that the jobs that are being created should be advertised so that the Tribal members can have a chance to apply first. Sam stated that if more members could be employed perhaps there would be a change in need for membership assistance programs. Sam also stated that Tribal Members should have about a 3-month window of opportunity to be able to apply and receive

new jobs that are being offered. Stratton stated how difficult it was to get a job. Stratton also spoke of the expense of moving back to the Tribe, very costly. Ruiter stated that she doesn't care what it takes to get the Tribal members back here; we just need to do it and let them know that there are jobs available for them. Porter made a comment about a person having a job and that the job description and title was and that it kept evolving. Sam stated that this, insurance wise, is a very dangerous thing to do; there are liability concerns with this. Sam stated that if the employees are venturing into areas that are not specified, like counseling and family service which is not a part of the BIA contract, that puts us in a position of exposure. Davis stated that in 2 years we have gone from 60 to 200 employees. Stratton stated that he saw that an employee had ten items listed on their job description. So he talked to this employee about his job and found that he actually had about 35 different things that he performed daily and was rarely hitting on the ten things that needed to be done through out the day. Stratton stated that there needs to be some changes to policy.

MOTION TO ACCEPT DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT FOR FILING; by Kleeman; supported by McCatty

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

A break was taken for lunch.

C. Attorney Report

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ATTORNEY REPORT AS PRESENTED; by Ruiter; supported by Kleeman

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

V. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMISSION REPORTS – JULY 2002

A. Binojeeuk Commission

Medahko stated the she didn't get the minutes of the report. It was suggested that she give a verbal report. Medahko stated that there were seven cases to review. Medahko went on and stated that there needed to be a meeting with the Ogema and the Commissioner to decide what will be happening with Michigan Indian Child Welfare Agency (MICWA). Porter asked if MICWA wasn't being supported. Medahko stated there was a worker that over stepped her bounds and involved herself in a very difficult situation that the attorney's had to get involved with, it had to do with parental issues. Medahko stated also that one of the Commissioner's has wanted to know about staff obligations and other departments.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE VERBAL REPORT AS PRESENTED
BY PAMELA MEDAHKO; by Kleeman; supported by Porter**

Medahko stated that she would have the written follow up at the next meeting. McCatty asked about how many LRB children the MICWA had dealt with to this point, since the beginning.

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

B. Enrollment Commission

**MOTION TO ACCEPT FOR FILING THE ENROLLMENT
COMMISSION REPORT FOR AUGUST 2002; by Kleeman;
supported by Bennett**

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

C. Gaming Commission

Porter asked if we were down to 3 members on this commission as of July 16, 2002. She was answered with a yes.

Kleeman asked about a work session that was suppose to have taken place, she said that she didn't remember one on this. Sam stated that one was scheduled.

Bennett stated that she doesn't feel that the Gaming Commission should be an entity on it's own. Bennett stated that they have been given too much authority as being employees themselves.

Kleeman asked what qualifies someone to be a non-licensed vendor. She was answered from the floor that the Gaming Commission has their own regulations, under the ordinances talked about, and has the authority to grant the exemptions for anybody – gaming or non-gaming – they don't have to require a license if they so choose. It was stated that if they have business volume over a certain dollar amount that they are supposed to be licensed but that the Gaming Commission still has that authority to waive that under specific conditions. Kleeman asked if the Gaming Commission had the authority to fine someone. She was answered yes. Kleeman stated that under vendor exemptions there was two signs purchased without obtaining the license and it says that they fine them in the amount of that license fee. Kleeman also stated that one sign was \$315,000 and the other \$120,000. Sam stated that the Council should send an inquiry about this. Bennett wanted it known that she has had several people contact her that would have been vendors that didn't get licensed but their checks were cashed. Porter stated that she would like to see these people come to Closed Session or a work session. Sam stated that she thinks that it would be appropriate to schedule a work session with the Gaming Commission and require them to discuss their accounting practices, which she had sent a memo regarding. Sam went on to say that depending on how much money we're keeping and not refunding that it could be considered fraud in some respects.

Kleeman wanted it known that there has been some pretty good sized jackpots that have been paid out recently, one in the amount of \$291,684.36, one in the amount of \$51,684.36, one in the amount of \$51,000, a Caribbean Stud pot of \$15,873.77 and over 22 jackpots that have been over \$10,000 a piece for the month of July only.

Bennett stated that she has been asked where the money was going for the checks from the vendor fees. Bennett told these people that she really didn't know where it was going, so she told them to call accounting. Bennett stated that she pointed them in the direction of the Council and to bring their cancelled check with them. Sam stated that the checks get processed through our accounting department and they are shown as receipts through the general fund. Sam stated that the Gaming Commission cannot open any bank accounts; they would have to surrender the funds.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT FOR FILING THE GAMING
COMMISSION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2002;** by
Kleeman; supported by Porter

Bennett stated that she would like to request that the Ogema to find out if they have a checking account, under the other accounts of the Gaming Commission.

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

D. Housing Commission

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE HOUSING COMMISSION REPORT
FOR JUNE AND JULY 2002;** by Kleeman; supported by Porter

Sam stated that in the July report that there haven't been any draws on the grants for housing. Sam stated that the Tribal Council should be getting an actual report from the Housing Commission. Sam stated that this looks like it has been all Tribal funded and not grants.

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

E. Natural Resources Commission

Sam stated that there was some discussion about a secretarial support staff for this Commission. This is the reason for no minutes of the meetings, no secretarial support staff. Sam asked if the Tribal Council could plan on supporting the Natural Resource staff with ancillary support departments to the Commissions or can that be accomplished through the already existing departmental staff. Sam stated that a couple of years ago, some of the secretarial support that was added into the Natural Resources Department were specifically added for support of the Commission. Sam further stated that the departmental staff isn't cooperating with the Commission or transcribing their tapes, etcetera. Someone stated that the minutes need to be taken no matter what and there should be a hand written copy turned into the Council, if a secretary can't type up the

minutes, for report every meeting. Sam stated that there is enough staff in the administration, secretarial/receptionist types, that are getting paid a substantial wage that are not being utilized to their fullest capacity. Sam further stated that overtime issues are hurting the support staff and that on occasion the Council has authorized overtime for the Legal staff to prepare Council's records.

Porter stated that she would like to see more participation in the Saturday meetings by the Commissions that didn't present their report so they could give some kind of input during this time. Porter asked if these Commissions are sharing a secretary and who is suppose to be budgeting for wages. Sam stated that the change for the Commission's budgets used to be included in the departmental budgets. Sam stated that it was not the Council's decision to change that but the Director of Operations changed it last year. Sam doesn't support the sharing of secretarial staff because it comes down to whose priorities are more important. Sam stated that she was wondering what kind of impact that this is going to make on the Tribe, if inadequate notes are being taken, or no notes being taken, and people are not getting the necessary information. Sam stated she is concerned if the notes that need to be taken from these meetings are overlooked, they are a very important part of the Tribe's records. Medahko stated that you need a skilled person taking notes because if you don't have the minutes to the meeting taken accurately you could get into a lot of trouble.

MOTION TO POSTPONE ACTION PENDING RECEIPT OF A REPORT; by Kleeman; supported by Fisher

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

A. Elders – 7/6/02 Minutes

McCatty stated that two or three months ago one of the Elders did forward to the Tribal Council a policy that they drafted for the Elders taking their trips, they wanted comments to come back on this issue. Sam stated that anything that happens now with the Elders Committee that the BIA is indicating that they are no longer going to allow Federal funding to supplement any activities of Elders nor did they ever recognize it as an activity under their contract. Sam stated that anything that the Committee does now, trips through the Tribe, conferences through the Tribe, etc.,

would be fully funded by the Tribe. Sam stated that the Elders Committee is overseeing the Elders Coordinators it is their staff. Sam went on to say that there is a policy that prohibits this, committees cannot have staff and that Davis authorized the Committee to oversee staff in violation of the policy that prohibits the practice. Sam stated that this was an inappropriate exercising of Davis' authority. Sam stated that there are liability issues and employment, these issues seem to be little, but the exposure and risk can be big. Sam believes that now is a good time to bring these things up to the Elders, to let them know that the BIA isn't going to fund your program anymore and in order for the Tribal Council to fund it there are certain standards that they need to maintain as well.

Porter stated that she felt bad because there were some discriminatory remarks that were made against some of the handicapped and elderly members.

MOTION TO ACCEPT FOR FILING THE ELDERS MINUTES FOR JULY 6, 2002, WITH JANINE SENDING THE MEMO ABOUT THE TRAVEL POLICY; by Kleeman; supported by Medahko

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

B. Cultural Preservation

MOTION TO POSTPONE THE ITEM – NO REPORT; by Kleeman; supported by Ruiter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

MOTION TO ADD ITEM C EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND ADD ITEM B OTHER ENTITIES – HEALTH BOARD; by McCatty; supported by Porter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – No
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – No	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (7-2-0-0)

C. Education Committee

McCatty wanted to clarify that the Education Committee is separate from the Education Parent Committee.

Sam wants Stratton to put in writing what he views as needing the approval of the committee for. Sam stated that she doesn't think that a committee as it stands right now would be in a position to assist Stratton or help you approve anything on the behalf of the Tribe until it's formalized, established under Tribal Law and then empowered to make those decisions. Sam stated that Stratton might need to meet with the Ogema, determine how that would be implemented and then have that approved by Council until that process is formalized.

MOTION TO ACCEPT STEVE'S ORAL REPORT; by Kleeman; supported by Ruiter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

VII. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES & REPORTS FROM OTHER ENTITIES

A. Business Board

MOTION TO ACCEPT FOR FILING MAY 31, 2002, OPEN SESSION OF BUSINESS BOARD; by Kleeman; supported by Ruiter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

B. Health Board

Sam stated that on Friday she identified on the I.H.S. inspection form, that updating the minutes to where they can document that no quorum was present between the last meeting and the one just held, policies and procedures for the clinic, the contract health, the eligibility status and things of that nature will be provided to the Health Board for review and approval. Sam stated that some of the concerns that were identified regarding the accounting processes and its impact on the I.H.S. site inspection were discussed.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ORAL REPORT FROM JANINE FOR THE HEALTH BOARD; by Kleeman; supported by Porter

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A. August Report

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FILING THE AUGUST 12, 2002 REPORT FROM JOANNE HOUSE; by Kleeman; supported by Bennett

Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

XI. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

A. Next Regular Tribal Council Meeting: August 21, 2002

B. Public Comment

Stratton stated that the thought process a year ago was to hire two Tribal persons other than someone on Council to be on the Business Board, is that still the plan of Council to do that. McCatty asked if this was going

to be a paid position. Stratton stated that there should be some training of these persons. Bennett stated that we are going to have to be extremely careful on who we choose to be on the Business Board. Sam stated that she agrees in the intensive training and that it needs at least five people on the Board. Sam also stated that she hopes that the Board will be set up legislatively, empowering decision making, and then holding them accountable for performance.

McCatty stated that the Council still needs to have the Education Parent Committee established to oversee the budgeting for the JOM Program.

W. ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN; by Kleeman; supported by Sam

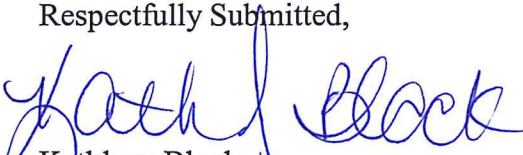
Roll Call

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kathleen Block
Transcribing Assistant


Janine Sam
Tribal Council Recorder