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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians***Aki Center******Elders Meeting*****September 3, 2022**

1. Roll Call and Stipend: Meeting called to order:

Chairperson Chuck Fisher at 12:00 pm. Gary is acting as committee member

Chuck Fisher: Present	Detra Kelsey: Absent	Gary DiPiazza-Acting
Marcella Leusby: Present		

Quorum: 3-1-0-0

Guests: Ogema Romanelli, Michelle Romanelli and Gary DiPiazza

2. Approval of Agenda: made motion to approve the agenda, seconded. All approved.

Chuck Fisher: Yes	Detra Kelsey: Absent	Gary DiPiazza: Acting
Marcella Leusby: Yes		

Quorum: 3-1-0-0

3. Approval of Minutes:

Made motion to approve the minutes - seconds. All approved.

Chuck Fisher: Yes	Detra Kelsey: Absent	Gary DiPiazza: Acting
Marcella Leusby: Yes		

Quorum: 3-1-0-0

4. New Business: Larry said council and him have been working on a deal to reopen the Next Generation Center. They are going to reduce the space and open it as a Daycare Center hopefully by the end of the year. It was mean spirited to close it down, it should have never happened. Hopefully our good standing with the community will come back.

Larry stated that after 12 years and thirty million dollars we are not going to give up on the Muskegon Project. The packet for the Muskegon project is not dead yet. The date for the Grand River recognition will soon be up, we're hoping the Governor will make up her mind after that decision is made. There are more ideas for what the Muskegon property can be used for.

We could not find the microphones or speakers used for the Elders meetings. Larry stated that the Ogema's department bought those for the Elder's, and they should be at Aki.

The Elders meals will be coming from Manistee Council on Aging for the time being. Elders can still have their meals at Aki, or they can pick them up. Employees have been volunteering to get the meals and set them up for the Elders.

Gary stated that tribal members could hunt for tribal elders and handicapped members. It was mentioned that the Elders invited the Council to do their monthly meeting at the Elders Conference, Gary didn't know yet if they were going to do it.

Elders Idea's:

1. Opening a small library of Native American books at Aki for the Elders.
2. Elders writing stories of their growing up years. Possible future small book of Elders Memoirs.
3. Putting a Concerned Group of Elders together. Working with other tribes elders groups.
4. Put Articles from the Elders in the currants. Doing a monthly report or article dealing with Elders doing's in the Currants.
5. Getting more involved with our next generation. Working with Education
6. Chuck talked of revising the Elders Budget for next year.

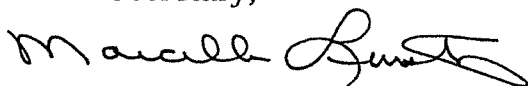
6. Old Business: Committee was going to put Elders names in the Currants who are running for Elders Committee but have had no word of when the Currants will be up and running. We will be voting seats on the Committee and for the Michigan Indian Elders Association at the Elders Conference

7. Open Session: Darlene Martin wanted to know if anymore was said on the \$100.00 Council was working on for the Tribal Members. It was confirmed that it was still being talked about. Alyce Glitz talked of family members who have been in the Indian Boarding Schools.

8. Meeting Adjourned: 2:15 pm Gary moved to adjourn the meeting, Chuck approved, all agreed. Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting: October 1, 2023

Elder's Secretary,



Marcella Leusby