MONTHLY REPORT
September 2020

The Binojeek Commission is created for the purpose of protecting the best interests of the child and promoting the stability and security of the Tribe and its Indian families by fully exercising the Tribe’s rights and responsibilities under the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Children’s Code.

Officers:
1. Shawnna Gonzalez  Term Ending: 9/20/23
2. Beverly Cole  Term Ending: 9/20/23

Monthly Activities:
1. Total cases reviewed for the month  (0)
2. Submitted “Open Session Minutes”
3. Submitted “Closed Session Minutes”

Discussion Points/Concerns:
1. Case Managers updated ICWA cases  (4)
Open Session Minutes
September 1, 2020

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: 1:15p - Shawnna Gonzalez

B. Roll Call: Bev Cole

   Present:  Shawnna Gonzalez (ZOOM)
             Bev Cole

   Others Present:  Shayne Machen
                    Sandra DeVerney
                    Bev Cole

C. Approval of Agenda

   Motion to approve August 18, 2020 agenda
   Made by:  Shawnna Gonzalez
   Supported by:  Bev Cole

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   Motion approved 2-0

D. Approval of Open Session Minutes

   Motion to approve Open Session Minutes:
   Made by:  Shawnna Gonzalez
   Supported by:  Bev Cole

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II. New Business:
   A. Shayne Machen – The redesign of MDHHS (BPS, Foster Care and Guardianship) words “neglect” and “abuse” – needing definition changes in order to benefit Indian children and families.

III. Continuing Business:
   A. Conference Telephone – No discussion as it’s no longer needed now that we are able to have ZOOM meetings.

IV. Adjourn Open Session
    Motion to move into Closed Session at 1:34 p.m.
    Made by: Shawnna Gonzalez Supported by: Bev Cole
    
    | Gonzalez | Cole |
    |----------|------|
    | Y        | Y    |

    Motion approved 2-0-0

V. Adjourn Meeting
    Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:00 p.m.
    Made by: Shawnna Gonzalez
    Supported by: Bev Cole
    
    | Gonzalez | Cole |
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    | Y        |      |
Motion approved 2-0-0

Binojewuk Commission
Open Session Minutes
Adopted – June 16, 2011
Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Binojeeuk Commission
Administration Office
2608 Government Center Dr.
Manistee, Michigan 49660

Open Session Minutes
September 15, 2020

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: 1:05 pm

B. Roll Call: Shawnna Gonzalez

Present: Shawnna Gonzalez
Bev Cole

Others Present: on Zoom: Elise McCullom Cuellar
Shayne Machen

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve today’s agenda
Made by: Shawnna Gonzalez
Supported by: Bev Cole

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II. New Business:
   A. Shayne Machen – Shayne’s last day is October 31, 2020. Shayne has
      accepted a position with the state.

II. Continuing Business:
   A. Discussion: Signing of document for Binojeeuk meeting day change.
      Per Elise, sign paper and turn them into Grace.

IV. Adjourn Open Session
    Motion to move into Closed Session at
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