

LTBB CWC 8-6-10 Open Session

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1 **LTBB Child Welfare Commission Regular Meeting**
2 **8-6-10**
3 **Open Session Minutes**

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5 **Call to Order:** 3:00pm by Chairperson Heidi Bosma
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7 **Attendance:** Heidi Bosma, Bill Denemy, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Emily Proctor, and Debbie
8 DeLeon.

9 **Absent:** Matt Leskey, LTBB Prosecutor on vacation
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11 **Staff and Guests:** Denneen Smith, LTBB Dept of Human Services Director, Lisa Kurtz-Tollenar,
12 LTBB Social Worker.
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14 **Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Denemy made a motion to approve the agenda; Supported by Ms.
15 Ettawageshik; Unanimously approved.
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17 **Approval of Minutes:** Ms. Ettawageshik made a motion to approve the July 8, 2010 Regular
18 Session and Closed Session Minutes; supported by Mr. Denemy; Motion was approved.
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20 **Public Comment:** Opened and closed at 3:16 pm.
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22 **Closed Session:** Mr. Denemy made a motion to go into Closed Session at 3:40pm; Ms. Proctor
23 supported the motion; Motion passed.
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25 **Return to Open Session:** Motion was made by Mr. Denemy to return to Open Session at
26 6:08pm; Supported by Ms. Ettawageshik; Unanimously approved.
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28 **Director's Report:** Ms. Smith reported on the following:

- 29 • TSSMDCM Tribal Social Services Directors of MI...still organizing to be united front to
30 state, but she has stepped down as chair;
31 • Tribal State Partnership Meeting in Mt. Pleasant—will be doing panel re: tribal/state
32 collaboration in Traverse City in October;
33 • Request to be a panelist at Judicial Symposium-Tribes/states collaboration in Traverse
34 City, October 2010;
35 • Mandated Foster Parent training: Attachment Theory Training is first session—Lisa Ronk
36 will be doing training for our foster parents;
37 • National Resource Center for Data & Technology/TA—impressed with our data base and
38 wants to make it available to other tribes. Currently tweaking to improve we able to
39 first;
40 • NICWA, David Simmons/TA...Sept...dates to be set;
41 • Criminal Contempt Charges were dropped!

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42 **Prosecutor's Report:** Mr. Leskey will be doing SCAO training in August 26...Mt. Pleasant and
43 Petoskey...state court staff not aware of it including DHS staff.

44 **Treasurer's Report:** Not available

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46 **Chairperson's Report:** Thinking more about presenting at a future NICWA conference to share
47 some of the successes we have experienced. As NICWA representative, Ms. Ettawageshik
48 reported that only four presenter's fee will be paid. Travel costs will not be covered.

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50 The chair reported that she requested a meeting with the Chairman.

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52 The chair has also advised CWC members and DHS staff that she can no longer accept visits or
53 any communications while at work regarding any CWC business.

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55 Also shared upcoming training opportunities such as a free Webinar and the SCAO training on
56 Aug. 26th. Ms. Ettawageshik has been invited to participate and bring her hand drum. Ms.
57 Ettawageshik made a motion to allow and pay stipend and travel costs associated with any
58 CWC member to participate in the SCAO training in Petoskey. Supported by Mr. Denemy.
59 Unanimous decision.

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61 The chair will also pursue scheduling a quarterly meeting with Tribal Court.

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63 **Old Business:** None

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65 **New Business:** Ms. Ettawageshik's term is up for reappointment. Ms. DeLeon made a motion
66 to support reappointment and the chair to communicate this to both the Chairman and Tribal
67 Council; Ms. Proctor supported the motion; unanimous decision.

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69 **Announcements:** None

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71 **Meeting Schedule:** The Aug 6, 2010 meeting is not needed this month. The next regularly
72 scheduled meeting is Sept 10 & 11, 2010 at 3:00pm.

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74 **Adjournment:** Ms. Ettawageshik made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Denemy supported the
75 motion. Motion passed; meeting adjourned at 6:38pm.

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77 Respectfully Submitted,

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79 Debbie DeLeon
80 CWC Secretary