

1                   **LTBB Child Welfare Commission Regular Meeting**  
2                   **LTBB Governmental Complex, Room 312**  
3                   **2-1-13**  
4                   **Open Session Minutes**

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6 **CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 1:50pm by Rochelle Ettawageshik, Chair.  
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8 **COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rochelle Ettawageshik, Steve Sochay, Heidi Bosma (via telephone) and  
9 Debbie DeLeon

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11 **COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:** Emily Proctor

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13 **STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT:** Matt Leskey, Prosecutor

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15 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Motion was made to approve the agenda by Mr. Sochay and supported by Ms.  
16 Bosma **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously.

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18 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comment was open and closed at 2:12pm. No public present.

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20 **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Mr. Sochay **made a motion** to approve the minutes of January 4, 2013 **Open**  
21 **Minutes** as amended supported by Ms. Bosma; **Vote:** 4 YES and -0- NO and 1 absent; Motion carried.

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23 **TREASURER'S REPORT:** NONE

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25 **SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** written report provided

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27 **CLOSED SESSION:** Mr. Sochay made a motion to go into Closed Session at 2:21pm; supported by Ms. Bosma.  
28 Motion carried. **Vote:** 4 YES and -0- NO and 1 absent; Motion carried.

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30 **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** Mr. Sochay made a motion to return to Open Session at 3:21pm; supported by  
31 Ms. Bosma. Motion carried. **Vote:** 4 YES and -0- NO and 1 absent; Motion carried.

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33 **PROSECUTOR'S REPORT (JUVENILE/DELINQUENCY REPORT)**

- 34       • Cultural Agreement—Prosecutor will draft language to serve as boilerplate language to be included in  
35 court adoption paperwork and forward to CWC for review. Afterwards, will pursue discussions with  
36 the Chief Judge;
- 37       • Baby Veronica Case—Prosecutor reported that he will be discussing with Tribal Council this weekend  
38 about LTBB making a contribution and challenge other MI Tribes to match. Because this case at the  
39 Supreme Court level and the outcome will affect ICWA one way or the other. This is a very high  
40 profile case and would be an opportunity for tribes to educate/"market". The chair, who is also a  
41 NICWA officer, will accompany Mr. Leskey.

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43 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

- 44       • The Chair attended a NICWA meeting where the issue of the Baby Veronica case was discussed as well as  
45 the upcoming national conference.  
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**LTBB CWC 2-1-13 Open Session**

**MINUTES ADOPTED 3-1-13**

48 **OLD BUSINESS**

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50 **FOSTER CARE LICENSING REGULATIONS:** The Chair will continue to monitor status of the submitted  
51 revisions.

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53 **CWC TERMS OF OFFICE:** Still need clarification and an inquiry made on the status of the reappointment  
54 process.

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56 **NEW BUSINESS**

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58 **ELECTIONS:** Mr. Sochay made a motion to nominate Rochelle Ettawageshick as Chair, Debbie De Leon as Vice-  
59 Chair; Heidi Bosma as Secretary and Steve Sochay as Treasurer. Ms. Bosma supported the motion. **VOTE:** 4  
60 YES and -0- NO and 1 absent; Motion carried

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62 **NEXT MEETING DATE(S):** The next regularly scheduled meeting will be in **Room 312** as follows:  
63 Regular Meeting: **Friday, March 1, at 1:00pm;** and  
64 Work Session: **Saturday, March 2, at 10:00am if applicable**  
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66 **ADJOURNMENT:** The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:06 pm.

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68 Respectfully Submitted,  
69 Debbie DeLeon  
70 CWC Secretary