

1 **LTBB Child Welfare Commission Regular Meeting**

2 **LTBB Governmental Complex, Room 312**

3 **7-10-15**

4 **Open Session Minutes - Approved**

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6 **CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 1:25 pm by Rochelle Ettawageshik - Chair.

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8 **COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rochelle Ettawageshik – Chair, Steve Sochay –
9 Treasurer, Linda Keway – Commissioner, Joan Jacobs - Commissioner (arrived 2:30pm)

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11 **COMMISSION MEMBER(S) ABSENT:** Heidi Bosma

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13 **STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT:** Alicia Drost – Tribal Social Worker

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15 **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:** The Commission welcomed Alicia Drost. Introductions were
16 made.

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18 **CLOSED SESSION**

19 Motion made by Ms. Keway to go into closed session at 1:35pm; supported by Mr. Sochay.

20 **Vote:** 3-0-0-2 Motion carried

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22 **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

23 Motion made by Ms. Keway to come out of closed session at 3:00pm; supported by Mr.

24 Sochay. **Vote:** 4-0-0-1 Motion carried

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26 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Ms. Keway made a motion to approve the agenda as amended for
27 the August 7, 2015 meeting; supported by Ms. Jacobs. **Vote:** 4-0-0-1 Motion carried.

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29 **APPROVAL OF POLICIES & PROCEDURES DRAFT:** Ms. Keway made a motion to approve
30 the CWC Policies & Procedures Draft; supported by Ms. Bosma. **Vote:** 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

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32 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Ms. Jacobs made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 12,
33 2015 meeting open minutes; supported by Ms. Keway. **Vote:** 4-0-0-1 Motion carried.

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35 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Pubic comment was held at 3:20 pm and closed at 3:21 pm. No public
36 present.

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38 **PROSECUTOR'S REPORT:**

39 Report sent via e-mail

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41 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

42 Ms. Ettawageshik provided information from NICWA to the CWC concerning:

43 Compliance with ICWA

44 Effective Leadership for Tribal Child Welfare

45 Child & Family Policy Updates

46 Proposed New Regulations to ICWA (Feb 2015).

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48 Reported on Law Office of Dana L. Hannah (handled cases in Rapid City SD) where judge
49 automatically ruled against Native families in ICWA rulings
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51 Next NICWA Conference is April 3-6, 2016 in St Paul, MN (Crowne Plaza Hotel at the
52 Riverfront).
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54 Discussed ideas and logistics for the Annual Holiday Bazaar
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56 Motion was made to accept the Chairperson's Report by Mr. Sochay seconded by Ms. Jacobs.
57 **Vote:** 4-0-0-1 Motion carried.
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59 **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

60 Discussed ways to save funds for sending Commissioners to the NICWA Conference in 2016
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62 Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Ms. Keway seconded by Ms. Jacobs
63 **Vote:** 4-0-0-1 Motion carried.
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65 **SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

66 Ms Drost provided a hard copy report to the Commission and will send an electronic copy to all
67 Commissioners following the meeting.
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69 **OLD BUSINESS**

70 none
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72 **NEW BUSINESS**

73 none
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75 **NEXT MEETING/WORK SESSION**

76 Motion made by Chairperson Ettawageshik and supported by Treasurer Sochay to approve
77 stipend, mileage, per diem, and hotel for Commissioners to attend the following:

78 Vote 4-0-0-1 Motion carried

- 79 • Regular Meeting: Friday, August 7, 2015 at 1:00pm; and
80 • Work Session: Saturday, August 8, 2015 at 10:00am

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82 **ADJOURNMENT:**
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84 Motion was made to adjourn by Ms. Jacobs and supported by Mr. Sochay **Vote:** 4-0-0-1
85 Motion carried.

86 Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 pm.
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90 Steve Sochay,
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