

NAGPRA Work Log 2nd Quarter 2015

1 April 2015: Compiled and sent 1st quarter NAGPRA report to LTBB Tribal Council, Donna Budnick, LTBB Legislative Attorney, and Michelle LaCount. Ms. LaCount acknowledged via an email that she had received it.

1 April 2015: Sent email to William Johnson, NAGPRA representative for the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe. Asked for copies of primary source documents that substantiate which signatories on the 1795 Treaty of Greenville are Saginaw Chippewa. We need this information to make determinations for selecting tribal transfer recipients of ancestors being repatriated from the American Museum of Natural History at a special MACPRA meeting on 7 April. Sent a copy of the email to Eric Hemenway and he responded with suggestions for other documents that could be requested of the Saginaw Chippewa about their claims to Mackinac Island as their aboriginal land.

1 April 2015: Received email from Nell Murphy, NAGPRA coordinator for the American Museum of Natural History. She sends revised wording for the Notice of Inventory Completion regarding the collections of unidentified human remains from Michigan, which included the one individual from Mackinac Island. The revision does not state that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. I replied to her stating that I approved of the change of wording with copies to Regina Bentley, Jim Bransky, Colleen St. Onge, Paula Carrick, and Eric Hemenway.

1 April 2015: Received telephone call from Sheila Chingwa, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa regarding arrangements for me to deliver the one ancestor that was repatriated from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum that originated from Leelanau County, Michigan. We have tentative plans for me to deliver the ancestor to them on April 7th or 8th.

1 April 2015: Compiled more research information for the NAGPRA claim to the State of Wisconsin to repatriate 14 ancestors that originated from Rock Island in Door County, Wisconsin.

2 April 2015: Received email from Colleen Medicine commenting that we should pursue a change to the NIC from the Toledo Zoological Society in the same manner that we asked for the change to the NIC from the American Museum of Natural History. I replied asking if she was going to write the letter of request.

2 April 2015: Communicated with Netawn Kiogima about meeting her and R.J. Smith for lunch on Tuesday April 7th to discuss the Mide Drum at the New York State Museum.

2 April 2015: Compiled more research information for the NAGPRA claim to the State of Wisconsin to repatriate 14 ancestors that originated from Rock Island in Door County, Wisconsin.

3 April 2015: Sent email to NAGPRA and legal reps for LTBB, Bay Mills, and Sault Ste. Marie Tribes my thoughts of how to approach the request for changing the wording to the Notice of Inventory Completion by the Toledo Zoological Society for Native American human remains that MACPRA is

repatriating. The purpose behind the request is that the Saginaw Chippewa are again making statements to claims of aboriginal land that are not accurate.

5 April 2015: Met with Joe Mitchell, we discussed the final arrangements for the trip to Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin for the NAGPRA consultation. He provided me with the information about the items he will need to wrap the ancestors stored there.

5-6 April 2015: Emailed several times with Peter Peregrine of Lawrence University regarding arrangements for the consultation visit there on April 13th. Apparently he will not allow us to do anything that would produce smoke. Nor can we do it out of doors near the building.

6 April 2015: Met with Netawn Kiogima and R.J. Smith to discuss the procedure to obtain information to consult with Mide persons knowledgeable about drums. This pertains to the drum at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York, that is possibly a Mide drum and we need to know more about it. Both Netawn and R.J. are members of the Mide in the LTBB community. We also spoke about how to involve more people in the community especially those who are Mide.

6 April 2015: Corresponded via email with Colleen St.Onge/Medicine and Eric Hemenway about the NIC published by the Toledo Zoological Society. I suggested that she speak with Ben Secunda at the University of Michigan as he may have more information about the process that occurred with the writing of the NIC.

7 April 2015: Delivered the one ancestor that was at the Dearborn Historical Society Museum to Shelia Chingwa and Tom Peters at Peshaubetown. They will store it at the GTB museum until preparations for burial can be made. The ancestor had originated from Leelanau County.

7 April 2015: Received an email from Colleen St.Onge/Medicine in reply to my suggestion that she speak with Ben Secunda about the NIC from the Toledo Zoological Society. She expressed hesitation about it and I replied that I have faith in her capabilities.

7 April 2015: Called in for the MACPRA conference call but not enough persons to conduct business. I stated that because there were no representatives from the Pokagon or Nottawasepe Potawatomi that I was reluctant to discuss what tribes would be transfer recipients. Many of the ancestors to be discussed originate from the southwest part of the state, in Potawatomi land. We rescheduled the meeting for April 15th.

7 April 2015: Received email from William Johnson providing the information that the MACPRA teleconference meeting for today was cancelled and rescheduled for April 15th at 1:30.

9 April 2015: Compiled information about the volume of human remains and burial objects at Lawrence University to determine the amount of cloth required for wrapping them when we visit there on Monday April 13th.

9 April 2015: Received an email from Eric Hemenway, he offers help with compiling information about Mackinac Island. I thanked him for the offer but noted I already have sufficient documentation for it.

9 April 2015: Corresponded with Colleen Medicine, Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa NAGPRA Representative, she is concerned about lack of cooperation from William Johnson of Saginaw Chippewa as well as with the Notice of Inventory Completion for the Toledo Zoological Society. She also stated she has contacted Ben Secunda at the University of Michigan to talk about the NIC. I encouraged her to continue her inquiry on the matter.

9 April 2015: Resent email to William Johnson, NAGPRA representative for the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe, regarding a previous request for historical information about his claim that the 1795 Treaty of Greenville was signed by the Saginaw Chippewa. He replied that he was advised by legal counsel not to respond. He inquired if I would supply information about Mackinac Island and I said that I would if he provided info I had requested about the Treaty of Greenville.

10 April 2015: Sent emails to Jay Sam of Little River Band of Ottawa and Cindy Winslow of Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa if they will support the NAGPRA claim of the LTBB for the ancestors that originated from Rock Island in Wisconsin and are housed at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin. A automated reply from Cindy Winslow states that she is out of the office until the end of April and that her supervisor, Sheila Chingwa is being forwarded her emails.

11-14 April 2015. Joe Mitchell travelled with me to Lawrence University in Appleton Wisconsin to consult with representatives of the State of Wisconsin and the university. The meeting took place on Monday April 13th at Lawrence University to discuss the NAGPRA repatriation procedures. I updated everyone on the activities I had completed to date including communications with the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee. Jennifer Kolb, NAGPRA representative for the State of Wisconsin stated that it would not be until this late autumn that this repatriation could occur. It is my belief that it would not happen until sometime in 2016. Reburial locations were discussed such as Rock Island and St. Martins Island. A trip to Rock Island was suggested to view the original location. We were not permitted to smudge or wrap the ancestors, but we were able to view and speak with them and also placed small bundles of the 4 medicines in the boxes where they are stored. Peter Peregrine was the Lawrence University representative for the consultation.

13 April 2013: Sent email to Sherri Clemons, NAGPRA-THPO representative, of Wyandotte Nation of Oklahoma. I notified her of the upcoming MACPRA meeting that would discuss repatriation of some ancestors that they had expressed some interest from the Youngs Site. She replied that she would be interested with participating with that teleconference so I sent her the info on how to connect as well as how to notify William Johnson.

15 April 2015: Sent email to Marcus Winchester asking if he would be participating with the MACPRA conference call today. I mentioned that there are many ancestors from the Potawatomi area of the state and he should be represented. He replied that he would participate. The conference call took place and the ancestors that the LTBB are to be transfer recipients are all from the University of Michigan: 1 ancestor from Otsego County; 2 ancestors from Missaukee County; and 5 ancestors from Leelanau County. Those from Leelanau county I will contact Cindy Winslow at GTB to see if they will take them for reburial as they originated from their home area. William Johnson sent copy of an email to Sherri

Clemons of the Wyandotte nation providing an update on the status of the Younge site that she had interest with the repatriation of that ancestor.

15 April 2015: Received an email from Eric Hemenway. He sends list of NAGPRA grants awarded for 2015 by the National NAGPRA Program.

16 April 2015: Received a series of emails from William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, he sends copies of list of transfer recipients as determined by the MACPRA tribes at our meeting yesterday.

20 April 2015: Received corrected spreadsheets from William Johnson relating to the tribal transfer recipients authorized by the MACPRA meeting. I sent emails of approval to all the museums that the ancestors will be repatriated from through this process. That is the Toledo Zoological Society, University of Michigan and the American Museum of Natural History. Received an automated reply from Cindy Winslow that she is out of the office until April 28th.

20 April 2015: Received the National NAGPRA Newsletter. They announce FY2015 NAGPRA grants awarded as well as their training webinars and workshops. I might participate with some of the webinars if my schedule permits.

21 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Colleen Medicine of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned above.

22 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Paula Carrick of the Bay Mills Indian Community approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned above.

22 April 2015: Received reply from Janet Brashler of Grand Valley State University acknowledging receipt of my approval of the tribal transfer recipients mentioned above.

22 April 2015: Received reply from Nell Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History acknowledging receipt of my approval of the tribal transfer recipients mentioned above.

23 April 2015: Called and spoke with Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA contact for the New York State Museum. I updated her on our plans to go there for a consultation visit about the drum. She provided me with her schedule for the summer and weekdays. I also requested that she take some close-up photos of the sides of the drum where knots are believed to exist, the reason being to determine if one of those might be a bung hole plug that was sawn off flush with the side of the drum surface. She said she would do that within the next week or so. I sent an email to Netawn Kiogima and R.J. Smith providing them with an update on the request for these photos. Ms. Anderson sent images of the drum that were enhanced photos that could be zoomed in for greater detail and I forwarded them to Netawn Kiogima and R.J. Smith for their review. I am still awaiting the close up photos from Ms. Anderson of the knots on the side of the drum. Netawn replied that they were intending to forward the photos onto Eddie Benton.

23 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Marcus Winchester, NAGPRA representative for the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi, approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned previously from the University of Michigan.

23 April 2015: Created a handout describing the NAGPRA program and current activities for the upcoming LTBB community meeting. I sent copies to Michelle LaCount and Donna Budnick.

24 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Shannon Martin, NAGPRA alternate for the Gun Lake Band of Potawatomi, approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned previously from the University of Michigan, the American Museum of Natural History, the Toledo Zoological Society, and Grand Valley State University.

25 April 2015: Received forwarded letter from Mitch Magdich informing that the Notice of Inventory Completion was published in the Federal Register for the Native American human remains in the possession of the Toledo Zoological Society. They will be repatriated to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa.

27 April 2015: Received an email from Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Coordinator for the University of Michigan. He inquires about our need for further consultation regarding the most recent unidentified Native American human remains in their collections that are being repatriated. I replied that no further consultation is necessary.

28 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Marcus Winchester, NAGPRA alternate for the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi, approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned previously from the University of Michigan, the American Museum of Natural History, the Toledo Zoological Society, and Grand Valley State University.

28 April 2015: Received email from Cindy Winslow, NAGPRA representative for the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. She inquires if I would still like a letter of support for our repatriation claim to the State of Wisconsin for the ancestors at Lawrence University that originated from Rock Island State Park, Wisconsin. I replied that we would like to receive a letter of support from them.

30 April 2015: Received letter forwarded by William Johnson from Sarah Surface Evans, archaeologist at Central Michigan University. She requests guidance on consultation in the event of inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains from an archaeological field school proposed for June 15-29 in Presque Isle County. I replied that the location is within the 1836 ceded territory and the signatory tribes should be consulted individually in this matter. I also suggested that State of Michigan protocols should be followed with notification to the tribes in the event of inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains.

30 April 2015: Received copies of emails from Cindy Winslow, NAGPRA alternate for the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa, approving of the tribal transfer recipients as mentioned previously from the University of Michigan, the American Museum of Natural History, the Toledo Zoological Society, and Grand Valley State University.

1 May 2015: Received email from Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Coordinator for the University of Michigan. He sends combined list of tribal recipients of unaffiliated Native American human remains in their

collections that are being repatriated. He requests a review and response. I sent a reply that I was in agreement with the list of tribal recipients.

2 May 2015: Spoke with Dollie Keway, LTBB member about the drum at the New York State Museum. She said her grandfather, Sam Keway had a drum that her brother now has. I told her I would send her photos of the drum to show her brother. She also inquired about clans among the LTBB and name of some of the chiefs who are listed on the 1870 annuity rolls. I told her I would send more information.

3 May 2015: Sent email to Cindy Winslow, NAGPRA Representative for the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa. I asked if they would accept the Native American human remains that originated from Leelanau County that are at the University of Michigan. I also asked if she could provide a letter of support for our repatriation claim for the ancestors from Lawrence University that are in the control of the State of Wisconsin.

4 May 2015: Sent photographs of the drum at the New York State Museum via email to Lisa Flynn, LTBB member. He brother has a drum that belonged to their grandfather, Sam Keway, and I asked that she show the photos to him and see if he had any comments.

4 May 2015: Received email from Jay Sam, NAGPRA representative for the Little River Band of Ottawa, stating that he supports my offer of being the point person on the CMU field archaeology project in Presque Isle County in the event of an inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains.

5 May 2015: Communicated with Sarah Surface Evans regarding the protocol for the possible inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains from an archaeological field school planned for this year. She asked if I would be willing to be the point of contact and I agreed.

6 May 2015: Received email from Colleen Medicine, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, stating that she supports my offer of being the point person on the CMU field archaeology project in Presque Isle County in the event of an inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains.

7 May 2015: Received a forwarded email about the Keeweenaw Bay Indian Community applying for a NAGPRA grant and they could use letters of support. I will be sending one.

8 May 2015: Received message from William Johnson, Chair of MACPRA. He announces the reburial of ancestors to occur on Friday May 22nd. These are those for which the Saginaw Chippewa are the authorized transfer recipients repatriated from the American Museum of Natural History, the Toledo Zoological Society, and the Dearborn Historical Society Museum.

12 May 2015: Andrea Pierce, LTBB member, sent me a message that some person by the name of Bernadette has information about a NAGPRA issue involving Catawba human remains at Ohio State University. I called her and left a voice mail message.

13 May 2015: Received notice of NAGPRA/MACPRA representatives for the Nottawasepe Huron Band of Potawatomi. They are: Dale Anderson (delegate); Doug Taylor (alternate); Barry Phillips (alternate).

14 May 2015: Colleen Medicine, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa, sent a link to a website concerning difficulties that the Creek Tribe of Alabama are having within their own tribe relative to the lack of respect for burials and sacred sites in favor of economic development. It is certainly very disturbing and Colleen suggests that it can happen to any tribe.

15 May 2015: A forwarded message from Eric Hemenway that originated from Emily Proctor regarding the repatriation of ancestors by the Saginaw Chippewa. It is the same press release as previously received. Colleen Medicine, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe, commented that all of the tribes involved in this repatriation should be mentioned, not just the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe.

18 May 2015: Received email from Eric Hemenway, he informs that the Mackinac Historic State Parks will have a reburial of 4 human remains from Fort Michilimackinac at Mackinaw City that were disturbed during archaeological excavations. He further stated that he will inform when the date for reburial is set. I replied asking if this is being done under NAGPRA and if there are any associated burial objects and who he has been in touch with at the MSHP. He replied that to his knowledge it is not being done under NAGPRA and that there are no funerary objects.

18 May 2015: Colleen Medicine responds to the MSHP human remains and reburials with the comment inquiry of who if any native person is officiating the reburial. She also voices concern about long-term protection of the reburial location.

19 May 2015: Received message from Jennifer Kolb, NAGPRA Coordinator for the State of Wisconsin, she has made tentative arrangements for a site visit to Rock Island, Wisconsin on September 8-10 and asks who can make that date. The purpose is to view the site where 14 Odawa human remains were excavated from ca. 1965 and are now at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin. Some members of the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee are also invited. I replied that the date is fine for me.

19 May 2015: Sent message to Phil Porter, Director of the Mackinac State Historic Parks, indicating that unless the human remains that will be reburied are known to not be Native American then a Native American spiritual person should be present at the burial.

19 May 2015: Performed research about Rock Island State Park. Reviewed map of the Island and located two cemeteries that could possibly be the one associated with the Odawa burials. It is most likely the cemetery that is on the southeast side of the island. The park is open year around but the ferry from Washington Island only runs through the summer months limiting access to Rock Island.

21 May 2015: Received copy of email from Lisa Flynn to her sister Dollie Keway. She mentions that their brother Greg saw photographs that I had sent to her and Dollie of the drum that is at the New York State Museum. Lisa stated that her brother said that the drum is not from their grandfather Sam Keway. I replied with genealogical information about Joseph Kijigobenessi from whom the drum was acquired by Beloit College in 1915.

21 May 2015: Corresponded with Phil Porter again, he states that it is their intention to have a Native American spiritual person participate with the reburial process. He added that it will probably be this

coming autumn. I asked that he keep me informed about the date it will occur which he said that he would do.

23 May 2015: Spoke on the telephone with several LTBB citizens about the property owner next to the St. Solanus Church in Petoskey who wants to have the graves upon his property removed. They expressed the opinion that they should not be removed unless it was absolutely necessary and that the property owner should pay the cost. It was also discussed that there is probably not enough empty space in the cemetery adjacent to the church to rebury those persons, so a different location would need to be determined.

26 May 2015: Received letter from the Berrien County Sherriff Office. They inquire if the LTBB wishes to consult, per NAGPRA, on Native American human remains found in 2011 in the City of New Buffalo, Berrien County, Michigan along the Galien River. Because this location is within that of the Pokagon Potawatomi, I sent a message to Marcus Winchester, their NAGPRA Representative. I stated in the message that I am deferring to him on this matter. I also sent a reply to the Berrien County Sherriff Office with the same information.

27 May 2015: Received several messages from William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, regarding planning announcements for future meetings. One is a special meeting proposed in St. Ignace in June, and another for July. He also sent copies of the tribal transfer recipients letter of transmittal for the recent repatriations from the American Museum of Natural History, Toledo Zoological Society, and the Dearborn Historical Museum. William Johnson sent a copy of a flyer announcing a healing event at the Mount Pleasant Boarding School.

28 May 2015: Received a copy of the Notice of Intent to Repatriate the Bowknegt Collection from the Field Museum of Natural History by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. It is for our information only because I performed the historical context research for that repatriation claim. No response is required.

29 May 2015: Received messages and spoke with Eric Hemenway, Colleen Medicine, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa, and Eric Drake Archaeologist for the Hiawatha National Forest. It regards the request by William Johnson of the Saginaw Chippewa to claim on the NIC that the Saginaw Chippewa hold land claims to Round Island in the Straits of Mackinac. I informed Eric of the history of the Saginaw Chippewa trying to do that but that the regional tribes are opposed to it.

29 May 2015: Received messages with attachments from Eric Drake, NAGPRA contact for the Hiawatha National Forest. He sends copies of emails he has had with William Johnson, NAGPRA representative for the Saginaw Chippewa regarding the repatriation of the Bowknegt Collection by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. He also provided a copy of several articles, including his doctoral dissertation.

29 June 2015: Received letter from Grand Valley State University enclosing a copy of the revised notice of inventory completion that was published in the federal register. No action needed it is for our information only.

1 June 2015: Received letter from the American Museum of Natural History enclosing a revised copy of the Notice of Inventory Completion for unidentified Native American human remains in their collection. I had previously received a message of this activity. No action needed, the issue has been resolved.

2 June 2015: Received telephone call from a native woman named Bernadette, a friend of Andrea Pierce an LTBB citizen. She informed me of the possibility of Native American human remains that have been held for a few years at the Coroner's Office of Lucas County, Ohio. Also of some that are held by the Police Department in Perrysburg, Ohio. Finally, she mentioned of Native American human remains that were found on Catawba Island when building condos a few years ago and the remains ended up in the Anthropology Department of Ohio State University. I told her that I would follow up on her information and keep her informed. I will begin by contacting the Ohio SHPO in Columbus.

3 June 2015: Telephoned the State Historic Preservation Office of Ohio and inquired about NAGPRA. I learned that the person to begin speaking with is Mark Epstein who heads the Resource Protection and Review Section. They also handle the 106 reviews. There is another entity within Ohio State government that handles the archaeological collections apart from the SHPO. I will be making further inquiries to learn about their NAGPRA and the THPO functions.

12 June 2015: Sent message to Melinda Young, Secretary for the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee, inquiring about location of their next meeting at Red Cliff, Wisconsin. I plan on attending to discuss plans to repatriate ancestors controlled by the State of Wisconsin and held by Lawrence University. She replied that the meeting date had changed but she forgot to let me know, it was held yesterday. The next meeting will be in September. I replied that if the meeting just held discussed our repatriation claim that I would like a copy of the minutes.

12 June 2015: Received copies of documents from Tamara Kiogima that were received at the LTBB Legislative Office. One announced a NAGPRA training in December on monitoring for sacred sites and other types of cultural resources.

15 June 2015: Received draft notices of inventory completion from Ben Secunda for review. I will be reviewing them at a later time and responding. These are relative to Native ancestral remains being repatriated via MACPRA.

22 June 2015: Discussed with several tribal members the status of the NAGPRA repatriation claim with the New York State Museum. The item in question is drum that is possibly associated with the Midewin that came from Harbor Springs in the early twentieth century. I informed these tribal members that we were still awaiting some ability to have Eddie Benton Benai to render an opinion about it. It was also suggested that Donny Dowd of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, who is the keeper of a Midewin Drum, to also provide us with an opinion.

24 June 2015: Sent and received messages with Stacy Tchorsynki regarding the location of an archaeological site that is on one of draft notices of inventory completion that was compiled by the University of Michigan. The site is within Clinton County and not upon the area ceded by the 1836 Treaty of Washington.

25 June 2015: Received message from Rebecca Fisher, Tribal Chairperson's Office. She forwards a letter from the Tribal Nations Leadership Council that provides the highlights of the most recent conference call meeting with the U.S. Attorney General's Office. It is addressed to the MAST nations. One of the items centered on the concerns is that France does not consider the tribes as sovereign nations and so they have no legal standing in their efforts to stop the sale of cultural items in that country. The tribes have asked for the U.S. Attorney General's Office to intercede.

25 June 2015: Resent message from June 12th to Melinda Young, secretary for the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee, because I have received no reply. I inquire about any minutes from their last meeting.

26 June 2015: I reviewed the list of ancestors to be repatriated from the University of Michigan sometime in August of this year. There are 5 that originated from Leelanau County. I sent a message to Cindy Winslow, GTB NAGPRA person, and her supervisor Sheila Chingwa, asking if they will accept the responsibility for reburial. I sent a similar message to Jay Sam, NAGPRA contact person for the Little River Band of Ottawa for the remains of 2 ancestors that originated from Missaukee County. Jay replied that he would accept those from Missaukee County for reburial. I replied that when the time comes I will make arrangements with him for a delivery date.

26 June 2015: Received message from Melinda Young stating that they did not discuss our repatriation claim to the ancestors housed at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin at the last meeting of the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee. She added that it will be discussed at their September meeting.

27 June 2015: Located telephone number for Donny Dowd. He is a keeper for a Mide Drum with the Three Fires Lodge. I contacted Netawn and R.J. Smith asking if either of them know him well enough to speak with him about the Mide Drum at the New York State Museum.

29 June 2015: Received message from Ben Secunda regarding the draft Notices of Inventory Completion deadline for response is 5pm today. I had responded already.

29 June 2015: Received messages from Colleen Medicine and William Johnson regarding the repatriation of Native American human remains that originated from Presque Isle County in Michigan and will be released by the University of Michigan this autumn. Johnson suggested that Colleen could be the authorized transfer recipient and that the Saginaw Chippewa would prepare them for transport. I will be contacting Colleen to discuss this matter further.

30 June 2015: Sent messages to Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community; Colleen Medicine, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa; and William Johnson, NAGPRA Representative for the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe of Michigan. I voiced support for the Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa to be the authorized transfer recipients for the ancestors at the University of Michigan that originated from Presque Isle County, Michigan.

30 June 2015: Reviewed letter received from Penn State University regarding Native American human remains in their collections. They provide a summary of the consultation correspondence that was done with Veronica Pasfield and Jeff Chivis, representing MACPRA. They note that some of the remains mentioned by Pasfield and Chivis are identifiable. This matter will be taken up at the next MACPRA meeting.