

Tribal Council Travel Report – Treasurer Marcella Reyes

Training/Event: 2015 Summer Meeting of the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST)
Location: Oneida, WI
Date of Event: June 3 & 4, 2015

Fellow Tribal Council Members and LTBB citizens, thank you for allowing me to attend the 2015 Summer Meeting of the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) held in Oneida, WI.

Also in attendance representing LTBB: Tribal Chairwoman, Regina Gasco Bentley; Tribal Council Member Winnay Wemigwase, and LTBB Health Director, Sharon Sierzputowski.

AGENDA ITEMS

Call to Order – President Michele Stanley

Ernie Stevens, Jr. – Chairman, National Indian Gaming Association

- Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act;
- NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT Michigan,
- Carcieri Fix – still advocating for a clean fix
- Gen Welfare Exclusion – advocating for moratorium on audits.
- Internet Gaming

Keith Longie Director – Indian Health Services

- Renew and strength partnerships with Tribes and Urban Indian Health Programs –
- IHS Bemidji Area Listening session at Mystic Lake August 2015
- 5.1 Billion Proposed Budget for 2016; 4.6 Billion was 2015 budget
- Health Information Technology
- Meaningful Use 2 and 3
- RPMS enhancements will improve patient care; HIE and PHR
- Behavioral Health – prescription drug abuse and increase in heroin use at Tribes –

Melissa Danforth, Oneida

- limitations for tribes requesting and receiving grants for intervention
- Improving Patient Care (IPC)
- Plan to expand throughout IHS system
- Accreditation Process
- Diabetes Program for Indians - \$150 million/per year.

Mark Butterfield – Administrator, Eastern Woodlands HUD

- The 6M has increased to 12M for Mold Remediation.
- Imminent threat funding available (storm damage/disasters)
- VASH funding is NOW available on tribal lands (called VAT)
- Section 184

Brian Pierson

- Tribal Equal Voting Act – states to provide polling places on reservations for elections.
- Establishing Tribal Water Quality Standards and Clean Air Act
- Heads up on unions, NLRB and Michigan Tribes.

Thank you for once again for allowing me to attend this amazing workshop.



Treasurer Marcella Reyes