



Tribal University Advisory Board (TUAB)
November 10, 2020 (1:00-3:00 pm)
Zoom Meeting

Attendance:

- Attendance list with checkboxes for Broncho, Denell (Board), Fellows, Sidney (Board), Herkshan, Laticia (Board), Martin, Julia (Board), Stone, Sunny (Board), Colter, Chad (Board, Co-Chair), Force, Rex (Board, Co-Chair), James, Jessica, Murillo, Larry, Tuell, Yvette, Covington, Shoshawna (Board), Gibson, Stacey (Board), Loley, Lethaniel, Liz Kickham (Board)

Guests: Sarah Godsey

Guest

- Sara Godsey is an associate professor in Geosciences. Her interest is in water quality and intermittent streams. She discussed a new NSF grant that is spread out over eight universities and colleges to study intermittent springs (springs that dry up) and how it affects perennial water streams.

Old Business

- Holds/Student Debt Forgiveness - Rex met with Finance and Business Affairs (F&BA) to discuss registration holds and outstanding student balances.
Capping Tribal Member Fees - Rex had discussed with F&BA the capping of fees for full-time students at 12 credits.
Elder Care Initiative Between ISU/COT and 477 Program +Tribal Program - Larry explained the steps they are taking to create an elder care initiative with the 477 Program along with College of Technology to train CNAs to work with elders in their community.
Role of ISU for 477 Summer Youth Program - Larry shared the importance of the program and an increase awareness and impact of STEM-related exposure.



related to other disciplines students have an interest in (fisheries, robotics, drones, GIS, etc.). Chad encourages training as RNs versus CNAs to prevent additional debt/expenditure of resources if the goal is an RN. Sunny said ISU has a step program CNA, LPN, RN. Reduces time – a full RN program is not needed.

New Business

- **Indigenous Peoples’ Day Recap** – Liz was unavailable to provide a summary. Lethaniel said sessions were well attended. The event was held via zoom. Some behind the scene issues can be addressed next year (marketing, communications). Next year they will start planning in December and enhance the make-up of the committee. Yvette said a pre-registration deadline prevented some individuals from registering. Laticia would like to increase attendance of ISU staff and faculty. It could have been an opportunity for one of our strategic priorities related to training seminars.
- **Research Committee** – the Research Subcommittee met last week to discuss projects and directions for next year. The purpose of the subcommittee is to develop protocols for ISU researchers wanting to work with the Tribes. The Tribal Research Committee has been meeting for several months to develop an appropriate internal tribal process for research proposals regardless of the entity/body. The TUAB Research Subcommittee needs to develop their internal process so the two committees can work together cohesively. The Tribes will prioritize those proposals received from Tribe members first and Tribe staff will identify other proposals for consideration. Additional information will be provided to this group as it develops.
- **Fort Hall Business Council Annual Meeting (FHBC) /November 16** – The Board reviewed the draft presentation. Yvette said there is a pre-briefing meeting with the FHBC on November 13. They will provide them with a copy of the MOU and recap. Some suggestions for the presentation was to include more graphics, pictures, and simplify as bullet points. Provide the FHBC with handouts of the timeline, accomplishments, and plans for next year. Also provide data information about student population (how many applied for reduced fees, how many graduated, undergrad and graduate population/disciplines, etc). Include slide of accomplishments overall (i.e. TERO programs) and verbal reports. Rex and Chad will take turns to moderate the presentation. Need to identify an agenda as well as ISU President and FHBC will review the strategic priorities and evaluate. Include COVID impacts on the MOA and student experience (some do not like the online option). Rex will revise the presentation based on feedback provided and send out to the group.

Other Items

- Follow-up: Question revisited regarding the roles and responsibilities of the students on the Board. Sunny recapped the discussion from the prior meeting and the motion. Sidney still feels there is a disconnect with the students (no changes, no support, etc.). Sidney and Laticia were asked to compile a list of priorities from the student prospective and bring back for discussion.
- Next agenda item: Laticia would like to see a subcommittee developed for student services
- Jessica provided an update from her area. They have up to \$800 available for students for electronic items (laptops, etc.) if they can show they are enrolled, provide their class schedule, and complete the application. The Tribal Youth Program is moving to the William Valley property in Blackfoot. Still in transition of move, includes a STEM room. Will increase future collaborations with ISU/Tribes.

Next Meeting

A Doodle poll will be sent out for the next meeting.

Adjourned 3:15 pm.