Western Washington Native American Education Consortium

March 16, 2017

Host: Theresa Lockrem

Kent School District hosted at 8th Generation at Pike Place Market- 93 Pike Street

Seattle, WA

Call to order 9:30 Theresa Lockrem Prayer: Laura Wong-Whitebear

Introductions & Logistics: Theresa Lockrem

Mary Wilber - Consortium Chair

Cinia Little Bird

Joan Banker - OSPI

Penelope Mena- OSPI

Val Kimball

Anita Todelles (?)

Carla Louck

Kellie Towers

Jerod Keopp

Sandra Gordon

Martha Sherman

Laura Wong-Whitebear

Ann Bates

David Murphy- OSPI

Theresa Lockrem

Paul Sambator

Minutes from the November meeting were tabled to the next May 18th meeting, as copies were not available.

Motion to table the November meeting minutes to the May meeting.

Theresa Lockrem made the motion.

Val Kimball 2nd the motion.

No opposition. Passes with no nays.

Treasure Report

Updates on balances

Total deposits for WWNAEC conference \$21,792.42. It was the biggest attended conference. There is about \$5000 in unpaid registrations. The silent auction raised a little more than \$2000. Laura Wong-Whitebear made a suggestion of increasing the bids from \$3 to \$5.

Ann updated about the Makah Whaling curriculum. Ann called Maria Pasqua. The tribe is having lawyers look and it. The tribal council has changed. She will call again for another update.

Motion to approve treasure's report.

Laura Wong-Whitebear made motion. Sandra Gordon 2nd the motion.

No opposition. Passes with no nays.

Old Business:

Merit Award: Sandra Gordon updated that she has not received any applications yet. Reminders about the deadline of April 14th. The forms are on the WWNAEC website. Students may be working the WSIEA scholarship right now. Reminder that all the award forms need to go into one packet and mailed before deadline. If a student turns in an incomplete packet Sandra will contact the student and the Title VI coordinator. Request for volunteers to be readers. Martha Sherman and Mary Wilbur volunteered.

NAYLA: March 24-25, 2017 Cascade Camp; Registration NAYLA camp is for all students in WWNAEC. As of yesterday, 102 registrations. The goal is 150 (with 4 or 5 districts left to still register). Mary Wilbur will send out conference agenda with details. Check-in is between 9-10am. Colored name tags to break up groups. No food in the cabins. Students will be presenting from some of the Title VI programs.

New Business

WWNAEC Conference: Haven't had a chance to look at survey results from conference yet. Feedback so far: Anita Tordelles (parent from KSD) thoroughly enjoyed it. Liked how the room was separated. Enjoyed the working with kids through trauma session approach. Thought Theda told wonderful stories. Mary thanked the Title VI coordinators for all of their work promoting the conference along with giving up their winter break to attend. Joshua Lynch held a focus group symposium on student discipline 20 parents and 10 students along with facilitators for Education Northwest that took place at the conference in the late afternoon/evening. Mary Wilber will send out the discipline report when its available.

David Murphy- updates on Title III- more districts are testing. Testing window closes at the end of March. English Language Development and Title III director to make revisions. When districts share out about what they are doing in Title III is invaluable and CPR helps too. Part of the original impetus of the bill is to comply w/federal definitions of ELL. There are potential changes in the amount per student but that is still up in the air.

New migrant/bilingual director Mia Moore.

Mary Wilber spoke about K-3 computer based reading program that she is using with Title III students called Lexia. Her feedback so far is that the parents and students love it. She currently has 9 students participating.

506 forms- Val Kimball gives 506 forms to classroom teachers before conferences. Theresa Lockrem hand delivered forms to office staff at each building. Both of these methods are helping in getting the forms returned.

Penelope Mena- from OSPI talked about Title I/LAP providing grant so to school districts and explained LAP requirements. Family component learning from and engaging Title VI to network and increase community involvement. What are the key elements/resources when it comes to Family Engagement? Family Engagement Plan: Home visits with program, Communication strategies, Profeesional development for staff, Best practices Workshop on May 19th – ESD 113 9am-4pm (free). Distinguished school district (Federal Way) will present on successful parental involvement strategies.

Any school above 35% poverty is eligible for Title I funding. ESSA- Tribal consultation (required) was removed from ESSA it is encouraged but not required.

Paul Sambator: School Psychologist from North Kitsap School District shared about "A Narrative Construct" and integrating social issues and social skills into the classroom. He also talked about importance of moving from moving the student to fit into the institution to a focus on changing the institution to fit the student. He provided resources from his company

OIE grant 2017: opens 3/31/17 and closes 4/28/17 @ 5pm PST. There is training on 3/29, 4/4, and 4/6

Cinia Little Bird: Eagle Feathers and Graduation (Northwest Justice Project)
Cinia surveyed 31 school districts and found only 2 districts directly allowed
(through school board policy) the Eagle Feather. Laura Wong-Whitebear shared the
Edmonds school board approved Eagle Feathers in their school board policy.

The previous letter from Randy Dorn is being updated with current superintendent Chris Reykdal. If there are issues/questions/concerns about district policies, feel free to contact Cinia and/or Michael Vendiola. Also Michael Vendiola can help present to districts as well.

Share Outs: Joan Banker updated on WSIEA Conference 20 workshops, culture room with make and take projects, STI website updates –preschool curriculum, STI training schedules- trainings coming up in June and August.