Western Washington Native American Education Consortium (WWNAEC) Meeting
January 18, 2024
Gates Pathway School 813 132nd St. S., Tacoma, WA

Call to Order at 9:20 a.m. by Rachel Barger

Introductions
Blessing: Rachael Barger
Minutes: Motion to approve by Martha Sherman. 2nd by Laura Bowman. Minutes approved.

Committee Board Reports
Treasurer Report-Jenny Serpa. Discussion about specific funding source for merit award scholarships. Motion to fund merit award scholarship with silent auction funds by Jerad Koepp, 2nd by Sandra Gordon. Motion passes. Motion made to grant up to 5 merit award scholarships depending upon scholarship fund availability by Jerad Koepp. 2nd by Dorothy Apple. Motion passes. Motion to approve budget by Martha Sherman. 2nd by Otellie Trujillo. Motion approved.

Merit Awards—Sandra Gordon. Currently looking into digitizing application process.

New Business:
- Membership discussion. Rachael moves that $25 elder membership and $50 for non-elder membership. 2nd by Sandra Gordon. Motion passes. Motion that membership benefits include:
  - Website
  - Newsletter
  - Access to programs and events by WWNAEC
  - Merit award
  - Voting rights
Motion made by Rachael Barger. 2nd by Laura Bowman.
- Discussion about 506 forms and best practices.
- WWNAEC-Rachael Barger. conference updates.
- NAYLA updates-Rachael Barger. Last year’s site has been rebooked. Conference will be March 22-23.
- Grand Canyon University presentation by Donna Hays.
- Native and Strong and For Our Lives presentation by Megan Hatheway.
- Kayla Guyett shared ONE and legislative updates.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:08 a.m. by Rachel Barger