

SPECIAL MEETING

Tribal Council - Health Board

January 24, 1977

Chairman Powless called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Pat Misikin was delegated to take the minutes of the meeting in the absence of the Council Secretary. Harold Hinerichson, Project Director, did not attend the meeting even though his presence was requested earlier. The request was made so that we could clear up discrepancies about comments he allegedly made about the Health Board.

Harriet Alicea indicated there had been a question about why the Board does not make monthly reports to the Tribal Council. According to the Board's By-Laws, Article II - Section 6, the Health Director, not the Board, is required to make a written monthly report to the Tribal Council.

Ms. Alicea then asked the Director how she sees the Health Board. Discussion ensued about block diagrams. Board has been operating on the original diagram passed with Resolution 74-411. Some time ago, the Director drafted an updated diagram and, after getting the Council's approval, was operating with that one. On that diagram, the Board was not inserted in its correct position. The correct line of authority is (1) Tribal Council, (2) Tribal Chairman, (3) Health Board and (4) Health Director. Loretta Metoxen moved that the Health Board coordinately work with the Director to update the diagram in accordance with Tribal Policies and Procedures. Joyce Ninham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Questions were raised by Loretta Metoxen pertaining to the Board's scope of responsibility and authority as stated in their By-Laws. Clarification of Sections 3, 5 and 6 under Article I consistently states that the Health Board is responsible for all services and programs under the heading of Health.

Wendell McLester asked the Board and the Director if they understood the Resolution and the lines of authority. It was the consensus of opinion that everyone understood the lines of authority - it was just a matter of an error in drawing a block diagram to illustrate it. It was also decided that the Resolution stands as originally approved. Misunderstanding of lines of Authority from start from the block diagrams.

Loretta Metoxen asked about Article 2 - Section 4 which pertains to Board membership. A request in the Director's monthly report for December asked that consideration be given to eliminating the Health Board and also that the Nursing Home Ad Hoc Committee become the Board of Directors for the nursing home. The problem that arises is that the members of that committee are all in some way affiliated with Tribal programs or services. The By-Laws state that members of the Health Board "may not be members of the Tribal Council or administrators or directors of any other health agencies or delivery systems that are accountable to the Health Board". Therefore, the Nursing Home Ad Hoc Committee is responsible to the Health Board and will need to comply to those established lines of authority.

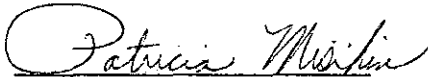
Meeting with the Health Board concluded at 8:05 p.m.

1. Business Committee
2. Administration Board Directors

Chairman Powless asked the Council for direction on who would interview the applicants for the position of General Manager for OTDC. Presumably, these interviews start at 9 a.m. Saturday, January 29 and the Special Meeting is slated for 1 p.m. that same day. Lengthy discussion ended with the Chairman having to select five (5) persons who are not Tribal members to sit on the Personnel Selection Committee. The Business Council would then select three (3) of the five for the Committee.

Joyce Ninham moved to adjourn. Loretta Metoxen seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Patricia Misikin
Acting Secretary

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