



UNITED TRIBES
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

United Tribes Technical College (UTTC)
Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
Bismarck, ND 58504
May 7, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m.
UTTC Wellness Healing Room and
ZOOM Teleconference Meeting

Board Members Present:

1. Jamie Azure, Chair, Turtle Mt. Band of Chippewa Indians (TMBCI), UTTC BOD *Chair via Zoom*
2. Nathan A. Davis, Councilman, TMBCI, UTTC BOD *via Zoom, in person @ 9:22 am*
3. Mark Fox, Chair, Three Affiliated Tribes (TAT), UTTC BOD *arrived 9:02 am*
4. Douglas P. Yankton, Chair, Spirit Lake Tribe (SLT), UTTC BOD
5. Duane Jackson Sr., Councilman, SLT, UTTC BOD
6. Mike Faith, Chair, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe (SRST) UTTC BOD *Vice-Chair*
7. Charles Walker, Councilman, SRST, UTTC BOD *Secretary via Zoom @ 9:12 am*
8. Delbert Hopkins Jr., Chair, Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe (SWST), UTTC BOD
9. Louie Johnson, Councilman, SWST, UTTC BOD

Others Present:

1. Dr. Leander R. McDonald, President
2. Courtney Lawrence, Executive Assistant to the President
3. Katina DeCoteau, Chief Financial Officer, *via Zoom*
4. Garrett Ludwig, Kelsch, Ruff, Kranda, Nagle & Ludwig Law Firm
5. Ken Hall, President, Kingdom Business Fellowship
6. Collette Brown, Executive Director, Spirit Lake Tribe Gaming Commission
7. Cheryl Kary, Executive Director, Sacred Pipe Resource Center
8. Nicole Donaghy, Executive Director, ND Native Vote
9. Nola Taken Alive, Standing Rock Tribal Council
10. Rae Gunn, Human Resources Director, *via Zoom*
11. Melissa Plenty Chief, Housing Director, *via Zoom*
12. Joely Heavy Runner, Safety & Security Director, *via Zoom*

- I. **INVOCATION:** Chairman Faith provided the invocation.
- II. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Jamie Azure called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Motion #1 by Director Delbert Hopkins, seconded by Director Louie Johnson to approve the agenda with the addition of Department of Interior Consultation for

Tribal College and University Construction Funds and UTTC Pow wow decision.
Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 1, 2021 UTTC Board Meeting minutes.

Motion #2 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Director Doug Yankton, to approve the minutes of April 1, 2021, Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

All director and division reports submitted: Academic Affairs, Campus Services, Human Resources, Safety and Security, Facilities Department, and College Relations.

Motion #3 by Director Nathan Davis seconded by Director Delbert Hopkins, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President McDonald presented his report and highlighted the main events.

Motion #4 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Director Nathan Davis, to approve the President's Report as presented. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

FINANCE REPORT

Katina DeCoteau, Chief Finance Officer (CFO), presented FY2021 Charts, Budget Expenditure Report, and Pandemic Funds Status.

Motion #5 by Director Mark Fox, seconded by Director Nathan Davis, to approve the Finance Report Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business at this time.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Security Camera Policy

Joely Heavy Runner, Safety and Security Director, presented the Security Camera Policy for approval.

Motion #6 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Mark Fox, to approve the Security Camera Policy as presented. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

6-1 Holiday and Holiday Pay Policy

Rae Gunn, Human Resources Director, presented the 6-1 Holiday and Holiday Pay Policy for approval.

Motion #7 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Director Doug Yankton, to approve the 6-1 Holiday and Holiday Pay Policy as presented. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

UTTC Residential Lease Agreement

Melissa Plenty Chief, Housing Director, presented the UTTC Residential Lease Agreement for approval.

Motion #8 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Director Doug Yankton to approve the UTTC Residential Lease Agreement as presented. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

UTTC Housing Policy

Melissa Plenty Chief, Housing Director, presented the UTTC Housing Policy for approval.

Motion #9 by Director Mike Faith, seconded by Director Doug Yankton to approve the UTTC Housing Policy as presented. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

Department of Interior (DOI) Consultation – Tribal Colleges and University Construction Funds-President McDonald

President McDonald presented the letter of invitation and asked the BOD as tribal leaders to attend the telephone consultation and advocate that the \$15 million appropriated through the FY2021 COVID Relief and Response Act be used for construction as originally intended in the language rather than Operations and Maintenance being proposed by the DOI.

UTTC International Pow-Wow Decision

President McDonald supported the UTTC Powwow Committee decision to hold the 2021 UTTC International Powwow as long as established safety and social distancing protocols were maintained during the event. Notice of the event being held will be out within the next week.

UTTC Recognized outgoing Board of Directors member Duane Jackson, Spirit Lake Tribe Councilman for his service over the last four years.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting –June 4, 2021

Motion #10 by Director Nathan Davis, seconded by Director Duane Jackson, there being no further business to come before the board today, May 7, 2021, the meeting will be adjourned at 10:38 a.m. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.



Charles Walker, Secretary
UTTC Board of Directors

Approval of May 7, 2021 Board Minutes

Motion #2 by Director Nathan Davis seconded by Director Louis Johnson, to approve minutes of May 7, 2021 UTTC board meeting. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present June 4, 2021.