UNITED TRIBES
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

United Tribes Technical College (UTTC)
Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
November 29, 2023 @ 1:49 p.m.
Sky Dancer Casino & Resort and
ZOOM Teleconference Meeting
Belcourt, ND

Board Members Present:

1. Jamie Azure, Chair, Turtle Mt. Band of Chippewa Indians (TMBCI), UTTC BOD *Chair*
2. Chad Counts, Councilman, TMBCI, UTTC BOD
3. Lonna Jackson-Street, Chair, Spirit Lake Tribe (SLT), UTTC BOD
4. ReNa Little-Lohnes, Councilwoman, Spirit Lake Tribe (SLT), UTTC BOD *Secretary*
5. Janet Alkire, Chair, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe (SRST)
6. Charles Walker, Councilman, SRST *Treasurer*
7. J. Garret Renville, Chair, Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe (SWST), UTTC BOD *Vice-Chair*
8. Mark Fox, Chair, Three Affiliated Tribes (TAT), UTTC BOD
9. Mervin Packineau, Councilman, TAT, UTTC BOD

Board Members absent:

1. Joan White, Councilwoman, SWST, UTTC BOD

Others Present:

1. Dr. Leander R. McDonald, President, UTTC
2. Courtney Lawrence, Executive Assistant to the President, UTTC
3. Garrett Ludwig, Kelsch, Ruff, Kranda, Nagle & Ludwig Law Firm *via zoom*
4. Katina DeCoteau, Chief Finance Officer (CFO), UTTC *via-zoom*
5. Jolene DeCoteau, Vice President of Campus Services (VP), UTTC *via zoom*
6. Hope Belgarde, Events Center Organizer, TMBCI
7. Lynn Gourneau, District III Council Representative, TMBCI
8. Collette Brown, Executive Director, Spirit Lake Casino and Resort
9. Donna McEwen, Chief of Staff, TMBCI
10. James DeCoteau, Cultural Liaison, TMBCI

I. **INVOCATION:** James DeCoteau provided the invocation.

II. **CALL TO ORDER**: Director Jamie Azure, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:49 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion #1 by Director Mark Fox, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville to approve the agenda. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 3, 2023, UTTC Board Meeting minutes.

Motion #2 by Director Janet Alkire, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve the minutes of November 3, 2023. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

All directors and division reports were submitted for approval: Academic Affairs, College Relations, Campus Planner, and Safety & Security.

Motion #3 by Director Lonna Jackson-Street seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

VI. PRESIDENTS REPORT

President McDonald presented his report and highlighted the main events for the month of November.

Motion #4 by Director Charles Walker seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve the President's Report. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

FINANCE REPORT

Katina DeCoteau, Chief Finance Officer, presented the Finance and Human Resources reports for the month of November.

Motion #5 by Director Mark Fox, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve the Finance and Human Resources report. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

CAMPUS SERVICES REPORT

Jolene DeCoteau, Vice President of Campus Services, presented the Campus Services report for the month of November.

Motion #6 Director Janet Alkire, seconded by Director Lonna Jackson-Street, to approve the Vice President of Campus Services report. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business at this time.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

6-3 Annual Leave Policy

President McDonald presented the 6-3 Annual Leave policy.

Motion #7 by Director Lonna Jackson-Street, seconded by Director Charles Walker, to approve the 6-3 Annual Leave Policy. Motion passed unanimous decision by all present.

6-13 Special Events Policy

President McDonald presented the 6-13 Special Events policy.

Motion #8 by Director Chad Counts, seconded by Director Mervin Packineau, to approve the 6-13 Special Events Policy. Motion passed unanimous decision by all present.

Motion#9 by Director Lonna Jackson-Street, seconded by ReNa Little-Lohnes, to convene an Executive Session for President McDonald's Annual Evaluation. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

Motion #10 by Director J. Garret Renville, seconded by Director Mervin Packineau, to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

Motion #11 by Director Chad Counts, seconded by Director Charles Walker, to accept President McDonald's annual evaluation results and compensation recommendation. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting will be held January 5, 2023, in the UTTC Wellness Center Healing Room.
Motion #12 by Director Charles Walker, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, there being no further business to come before the board today, November 29, 2023, the meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.

ReNa Little-Lohnes, Secretary
UTTC Board of Directors

Approval of November 29, 2023, Board Minutes

Motion #2 by Director ReNa Little-Lohnes, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve minutes of November 29, 2023, UTTC Minutes. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present January 5, 2024.