UNITED TRIBES
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**United Tribes Technical College (UTTC)**
**Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting**
April 5, 2024 @ 9:10 a.m.
Prairie View Room, Prairie Knight Casino & Resort
ZOOM Teleconference Meeting
Fort Yates, 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 *@ 9:22am*
3. Lonna Jackson-Street, Chair, Spirit Lake Tribe (SLT), UTTC BOD *via zoom*
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. Mark Fox, Chair, Three Affiliated Tribes (TAT), UTTC BOD
8. J. Garret Renville, Chair, Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe (SWST), UTTC BOD *Vice-Chair*
9. Joan White, Councilwomen, SWST, UTTC BOD

Board Members Absent:
1. Mervin Packineau, Councilman, TAT, UTTC BOD

Others Present:
1. Dr. Leander R. McDonald, President, UTTC
2. Courtney Lawrence, Executive Assistant, UTTC
3. Garrett Ludwig, Kelsch, Ruff, Kranda, Nagle & Ludwig Law Firm
4. Katina DeCoteau, Chief Finance Officer (CFO), UTTC *via zoom*
5. Dr. Lisa Azure, Vice President (VP) of Academic Affairs, UTTC *via zoom*
6. Francine McDonald, Human Resources Director, UTTC *via zoom*
7. Melvin Miner, Campus Planner, UTTC *via zoom*
8. Donna Mcewen, Chairman Assistant, TMBCI
9. Dayla Walter, Assistant Record Manager, TMBCI
10. Collette Brown, Executive Director, Spirit Lake Casino & Resort
11. Jayme Archambault, Certified Public Accountant(CPA), TAT

I. **INVOCATION:** President McDonald provided the invocation.

II. **CALL TO ORDER**: Director Jamie Azure, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
**Motion #1 by Director Janet Alkire, seconded by Director ReNa Little-Lohnes to approve the agenda. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 1, 2024, UTTC Board Meeting minutes.

**Motion #2 by Director J. Garret Renville seconded by Director Janet Alkire, to approve the March 1, 2024 minutes. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present**.

V. **CONSENT AGENDA**

All directors and division reports were submitted for approval: Campus Services, Campus Planner, College Relations, Safety & Security and Theodore Jamerson Elementary School (TJES).

**Motion #3 by Director Charles Walker, seconded by Director ReNa Little-Lohnes, 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 March.

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

**FINANCE REPORT**

Katina DeCoteau, CFO, presented the Finance and Human Resources reports for the month of March.

**Motion #5 Director Janet Alkire, seconded by Director J. Garret Renville, to approve the Finance and Human Resources reports. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS REPORT**

Dr. Lisa Azure, Vice President of Academic Affairs, presented the report for the month of March.

**Motion #6 Director J. Garret Renville, seconded by Director Janet Alkire, to approve the Academic Affairs report. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

VII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*No unfinished business at this time.*

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**

5-8 Salary Scale

Francine McDonald, Human Resources Director, presented the 5-8 Salary Scale.

**Motion #7 by Director Joan White, seconded by Director ReNa Little-Lohnes, to approve the 5-8 Salary Scale. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

All Nations East Intersection Project

Melvin Miner, Campus Planner, presented the All Nations East Intersection Project.

**Motion #8 by Director Janet Alkire, seconded by Joan White, to award the All Nations East Intersection Project to Strata Corporation and to accept the project overall cost of $1,237,800.00. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

Main Entrance Signage & Lighting Project

Melvin Miner presented the Main Entrance Signage & Lighting project.
**Motion #9 by Director Chad Counts, seconded by Director Janet Alkire, to accept bid of $468,759.00 and the project overall cost of $515, 635.00. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

UTTC Residential Units Relocation Project
Melvin Miner presented the UTTC Residential Units Relocation Project.
**Motion #10 by Director Lonna Jackson-Street, seconded by Director Joan White, to accept the bid of $706, 902.00 and the project overall cost of $777,592.00. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**
Next meeting will be held May 3, 2024, in the UTTC Wellness Center Healing Room.
**Motion #11 by Director J. Garret Renville seconded by Director Mark Fox, there being no further business to come before the board today, April 5, 2024, the meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present.**

ReNa Little-Lohnes, Secretary
UTTC Board of Directors

**Approval of April 5, 2024, Board Minutes**

**Motion #2 by Director Charles Walker, seconded by Director Mervin Packineau, to approve minutes of April 5, 2024, UTTC Minutes. Motion passed by unanimous decision by all present May 3, 2024.**