

# April 2009 Quarterly Board Meeting

## ***Summary of Minutes***

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Follow-Up</u>
Area Director Report	Issues that are going on nationally that we need to talk about: renewing the Indian Health Care System; Special Diabetes Program for Indians and Headquarters' shares of the IT program	Discussion and tribal consultation was held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009	Recommendations are attached
Area Director Report	Transition activities	35 staff from the Agency are part of the transition team. Bob McSwain, Director is a political appointee and has a 4-year term. He has advised Area Directors that if he is asked to he will resign	
Area Director Report	FY2010 budget – the Agency was required by the Bush Administration to submit a baseline budget with just increases for pay costs.	They were advised that there is going to be a pass back from OMB in late January; but from new Administration. New Administration is supposed to get something, not the whole budget, to Congress in late February and the proposed budget in April	
Area Director Report	Area Consultation on 2011 Budget on 12/11/08 – not a lot of tribes were present. The tribes did not change the health priorities & did budget marks for \$600 million, \$1 billion & \$1.5 billion increases	We are working on the Area narrative, due on 1/30/09. The national consultation will be March 4-5, 2009 in Washington DC	
Area Director Report	2008 User counts	There was a .9% increase – thanks to all tribes for reporting	
Area Director Report	Methamphetamine & Suicide Prevention Funds - \$13.7 million – the funds haven't been put out yet because an advisory group is working on it. So the first year it is distributed there will be 2-years worth of funding. The Portland Area also supported some continuation money for the 5	Recommendations from the Group were that 82% for Area distribution using 33% user pop, 33% poverty burden & 33% disease burden methodology. Julia Davis-Wheeler has been attending for the Portland	

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	Areas that participated in the 2007 Area Suicide Intervention Pilot Projects. The Health Board was funded for a small project that was to reinforce the improvements in suicide intervention & prevention programming.	Area. This Area supported the bulk of the money going to the tribes. The group recommended only \$10,000 for youth residential treatment & we felt it should at least be enough to fund 1 position	
Chair's Report	Committees that I have served on and we need to make sure that we get new representation on these group: Indian Health Care Improvement Act National Steering Committee; Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee, IHS National Budget Formulation Workgroup, CDC Tribal Consultation Advisory Committee	Advocating nationally through several of these committees for an Assistant Attorney General for Indian Affairs. Advocating for a tribal liaison permanent position established within each federal agency	
MOTION Minutes	Motion by Stella Washines, Yakama Nation; 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Cheryl Sanders, Lummi Nation to accept the October 2008 Quarterly Board Meeting minutes	MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-03-01	Opposition to Restructuring IHS-OIT Support Packages & Recommend that the IHS Withdraw its Pending Proposal	Motion by Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz Tribe; 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Ronda Metcalf, Sauk-Suiattle Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-03-02	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) Public Health Prevention Specialist	Motion by Stella Washines, Yakama Nation; 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-03-03	Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) VI	Motion by Marsha Crane, Shoalwater Bay Tribe; 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Rebecca Crocker, Skokomish Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	