

January 2009 Quarterly Board Meeting

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<u>Issue</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Follow-Up</u>
Chairman	Resigning as Chairman of NPAlHB	Linda will officially step down on Thursday, 1/22/09 after the Chair Report	Executive Session
HIV/AIDS	Dr. David Spach from the Northwest AIDS Education & Training Center gave an update on the HIV/AIDS virus	The take home point is it is not 1 drug – it's a combination of 3 drugs that are used to treat HIV effectively	Website: www.aidsinfo.nih.gov is a very good site to visit
Executive Director Report	Planning process of a “National Indian Impact Week” in Washington DC for 2010	Get a ‘save the date’ card out to all Health Boards	Ongoing
Legislative Update	Preparing the Board’s 2009 Legislative Plan	Sent out to all tribes	
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	We are working on the Area narrative, due on 1/30/09. The national consultation will be March 4-5, 2009 in Washington DC	

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	billion increases		
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 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.	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 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	
Dialogue on Renewing the Indian Health Care System	The Director wanted to start this national conversation about what are the ways that we have to address the problems we have in delivering health care in these times when we have such reduced budgets & we are so impacted by the health care system in our country.	Every Area Director has been asked to begin this conversation with the tribes in their areas. This has been a discussion that has been going on in the Director's Executive Council. There are no decisions pending & there is nothing drafted in terms of regulations or policies	The list of issues, concerns, comments is attached. There is also a website http://workgroups.ihs.gov/sites/renew
SDPI Portland Area Tribal Consultation	Through the Director of IHS who was asked by the Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee to consult with tribes on the methodologies that are used to distribute the special diabetes monies & this will be for the last 2 years we have been appropriated the dollars.	The deadline for recommendations to TLDC is 2/2/09. The TLDC will meet on 2/17-18/09 to develop final recommendations to the IHS Director. The RFA is suppose to be available in October. We need to formulate recommendations on are community diabetes grants, the demonstration diabetes grants, the	Recommendations and letter to Bob McSwain from the Portland Area is attached

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		administrative support, data improvement, urban programs and Native Diabetes Wellness Program.	
Proposed Revisions to IT Support Packages	For approximately 7-8 years the Office of Information Technology came as part of tribal negotiations and divided its services into four different areas. Initially a proposal was developed over the past 2 ½ years. At the December conference we attempted to start a national consultation on this. What became obvious was that we have not engaged in appropriate dialogue with the tribes.	Discuss what our current situation in the OIT is, what the proposal is and how we are planning on going forward. As we go forward, it is no longer a proposal, its ideas about how we can attempt to start addressing the current crisis that exists in information technology. Discussion on the Information Systems Advisory Council (ISAC) being charged with this. It was stated that not everyone on the ISAC are tribal representatives.	Resolution was developed and passed requesting that every Area be represented. Letter to Bob McSwain is also attached.
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 nd by Cheryl Sanders, Lummi Nation to accept the October 2008 Quarterly Board Meeting minutes	MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-02-01	Opposition to Restructuring IHS-OIT Support Packages & Recommend that the IHS Withdraw its Pending Proposal	Motion by Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz Tribe; 2 nd by Ronda Metcalf, Sauk-Suiattle Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	

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RESOLUTION #09-02-02	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) Public Health Prevention Specialist	Motion by Stella Washines, Yakama Nation; 2 nd by Cassandra Sellards- Reck, Cowlitz Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-02-03	Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) VI	Motion by Marsha Crane, Shoalwater Bay Tribe; 2 nd by Rebecca Crocker, Skokomish Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-02-04	Support for the 2009-2011 STD/HIV Tribal Action Plan	Motion by Stella Washines, Yakama Nation; 2 nd by Cassandra Sellards- Reck, Cowlitz Tribe to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-02-05	Support for the NW Tribal Suicide Action Plan	Motion by Leslie Randall, Nez Perce Tribe; 2 nd by Cheryl Sanders, Lummi Nation to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
RESOLUTION #09-02-06	Authorizes an Intellectual Property Policy to be Included in the NPAIHB Program Operations Manual	Motion by Leslie Randall, Nez Perce Tribe; 2 nd by Stella Washines, Yakama Nation to approve. MOTION CARRIED	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS	Vice Chairman	Eric Metcalf, Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Tribes was elected	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS	Treasurer	Motion by Ronda Metcalf, Sauk- Suiattle Tribe; 2 nd by Karen Fryberg, Tulalip Tribe to re-elect Janice Clements as Treasurer by acclimation. MOTION CARRIED	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS	Sergeant-at-Arms	Motion by Ronda Metcalf, Sauk- Suiattle Tribe; 2 nd by Linda Holt, Suquamish Tribe to re-elect Pearl Capoeman-Baller as Sergeant-at-	

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		Arms by acclamation. MOTION CARRIED	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS	Chairman	Motion by Ronda Metcalf, Sauk-Suiattle Tribe; 2 nd by Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz Tribe to accept Andy Joseph as the Chairman until elections in January 2010. MOTION CARRIED	