**CHAIRMAN REPORT**

**OCTOBER 2017 - JANUARY 2018**

This past quarter I attended 5 events as Board chair.

On October 16 through October 19, I attended the NCAI 74th Annual Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Lt. Governor Jefferson Keel (Chickasaw Nation) was elected as NCAI President at this meeting. Three of NPAIHB’s joint resolutions with CRIHB were supported and enacted by NCAI: Support for Adoption of CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain and Support for Hepatitis C Elimination, and Support for the CHAP Expansion.

On October 23, 2017, I attended the Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee in Washington, D.C.

On October 31 to November 1, I attended the Director’s Workgroup on Improving Purchased and Referred Care in Phoenix.

On November 28 through December 1, I attended the NIHB Board Retreat & Strategic Planning meeting in South Lake Tahoe. We accomplished a lot at this meeting. I had to miss the FY 2020 Portland Area Budget Formulation meeting because it was at the same time. I heard that the meeting went well.

I was also able to attend the NPAIHB Holiday Party on December 8 at Grand Central Bowl in Portland, Oregon. It was great to celebrate the holidays with the staff!