

**NEVADA INDIAN COMMISSION  
STEWART ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 3, 2018 - 9:00am**

Nevada Indian Commission Office, 5366 Snyder Ave., Carson City, NV 89701

<b>Committee Member</b>	<b>Seat Filled</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Buck Sampson, Chairman	Alumni	<b>x</b>	
Betty Badgett, Vice-Chairwoman	State Buildings and Grounds Division		<b>x</b>
Kristen Brown	State Historic Preservation Office		<b>x</b>
Skip Canfield	NV Division of State Lands		<b>x</b>
Rachel Delovio	Nevada State Museum		<b>x</b>
Meg McDonald	Knowledge of School		
Max Symonds	Knowledge of School	<b>x</b>	
Terri McBride	Knowledge of School		<b>x</b>

NIC Staff Present: Sherry L. Rupert, Executive Director; Sari Nichols, Program Officer I; Denise M. Becker, Administrative Assistant III

Others Present: Ron Bodnar, Stewart Facility Supervisor, State Buildings and Grounds; Amanda Fountain-Scheurman, Principal Researcher, American West Center, University of Utah; Kelly Krolicki, Stewart Indian School Preservation Alliance (SISPA); Elle Krolicki, Public

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

Chairman Sampson called the meeting to order at 9:10am and asked all those present to introduce themselves.

**II. Invocation**

Chairman Sampson provided the invocation.

**III. Initial Public Comment**

Kelly Krolicki stated that SISPA has started their membership drive. Seven new members were obtained at the Blessing Ceremony on July 11, 2018. Gold Membership \$100 includes the DVD, Silver Membership includes a small SIS water bottle. Buck asked how much the membership would be for SIS Alumni. First premiere will be at the Nevada Museum of Art in the North and the Smith Center in the South of Nevada. Kelly is working on content to add to the Stewart Indian School.com website. SISPA’s goal is to raise funds for the preservation of the Stewart Indian School. Buck suggested sending the membership brochure out to all reservations and Meg suggested adding it to First Nations Focus as well and possibly contacting the Nevada Commission on Tourism for adding to the Nevada Magazine.

**IV. Approval of June 1, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

This item is being tabled until the next meeting when a quorum is established.

## **V. Presentation of Draft National Historic Landmark Nomination Application**

Amanda Fountain-Scheurman, Director and Graduate Research Assistant respectively, of the American West Center at the University of Utah updated the Committee on the status of the National Historic Landmark Nomination Application. She brought copies of the Draft document and passed them around to the Committee. Research has been completed and she has traveled to San Bruno for the Archives. She found building files and kept in resources tracking list. See the Memo that Amanda brought. Ms. Fountain-Scheurman brought the narrative draft and she wants to write a description of Snyder and his era here. Ms. Fountain-Scheurman will be meeting with Jim Bertolini at the State of Nevada Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to discuss the draft application and to make sure. Contemporary history – she asked if there were any issues with AIM at Stewart and Buck said the students were fairly isolated and never had access to the Nevada Appeal or other newspapers. Buck said that there was a strict regiment Amanda said that she would be visiting and taking photos of the buildings on campus this weekend.

Ask Sari if there are any other notes here.

## **VI. Update on Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Requests**

Executive Director Rupert reporting that the SPWB on August 22, 2018 and will be making a presentation on the Old Gym and the Bakery Building. They will make their list and then the Governor's office will give their recommendations. Sherry said there will be a new governor starting in November of this year.

## **VII. Update on Grants for the Stewart Indian School Living Legacy**

- A. 2016 Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation (CCCHP) Grant Award the deadline has been extended to September 30, 2018. (Seismic retrofit of Building #1) The NIC is waiting for an invoice from the contractor. The contract has been awarded to Raymond Brothers Construction in Reno. The NIC had a pre-construction meeting earlier this week and the contractor is wanting to have a lockbox on the building so that nobody else can get in.
- B. 2018 Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation Grant Submittal \$79,000 was awarded for the Auditorium for schematic design. H&K needs to be consulted to verify the scope of work.

## **VIII. Update on Stewart Indian School Landscape Preservation Project**

Ms. Rupert reported that Ms. Badgett is no longer going to be the. Ron said B&G will be starting the concrete project by putting the ramp and two docks will be placed for Building #19.

## **IX. Update on the Stewart Indian School Master Plan**

Ms. Rupert reported that she had just received the Master Plan at the end of May and she has gone through about half of it. She commented about the Business Plan's number of projected visitors in the first few years of the Cultural Center (32,000 people!). Ms. Rupert shared that the NIC is interested in working with B&G for supplying restrooms and preparing for other parking spaces, and trash receptacles and how it's going to work with how they will be managed. Ms. Rupert is still reviewing the Master Plan and will forward edits to H&K and then H&K can present it to the SAC as well as the Governor. Ms. Symonds asked if a coffee shop can be placed out here; something like a food cart.

A meeting will be held to discuss about what is coming and that POST needs to move in the back for their scenarios because they can't do their thing in front where tourists will be. Sherry said that conversations need to be in place for approving things out at the campus.

#### **X. Update and Discussion on Stewart Indian School Cultural Center**

Ms. Rupert shared Ms. Rahder's report and mentioned the Blessing Ceremony and publicly thanked B&G for putting up the tents and secured chairs and a stage from the Governor's office. The NIC received a nice letter from SIS alumnus Rowena Pogue and how she basically said the Ceremony went well. Reynelda James blessed the buildings with water from PLPT and sage. Ms. Rahder is requesting 2 new positions – Sales & Promotion and Curator I. **Ask BOBBI for her notes here.** Meg asked when the grand opening might be and Sherry said we are shooting for April 2019.

#### **XI. Report on the 2018 Stewart Father's Day Powwow**

Ms. Nichols shared that the Powwow was held June 15-17, 2018. The Committee introduced a new logo as well as a few new items such as the women's v neck t-shirts as well as SIS water bottles. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year the Washoe Tribe sponsored a Color Fun Run. The Governor attended the Powwow on Saturday, June 16, 2018, and participated in a round dance. The Committee decided to do things a little differently this year and had five Indian Taco vendors and other food vendors. Ms. Nichols commented on the surveys that were done – 59% of out-of-towners said they were visiting Carson City to attend the Stewart Father's Day Powwow and 22% were first time visitors. Thank you to B&G for making the grounds pristine and assembled all of the tents, set up lighting, and were amazing to work with this year. The 2019 Powwow – we will no longer receive the Commission on Tourism grant and will receive a lesser grant from the Nevada Arts Center as well. The NIC will be consulting with SISPA about funding resources to assist in purchasing new tents for the event. Sari suggested having food trucks come out to Stewart for fundraising.

#### **XII. Planning for the 2018 American Indian Achievement Awards Banquet and Silent Auction**

Ms. Rupert stated that she just found out that the Governor's Mansion will not be able to accommodate the NIC's annual event this year due to the Mansion staff preparing for the new incoming Governor moving in to the Mansion in November after the election. The State Library and Archives is an option as well as the Stewart Gym. Meg asked about the acoustics and Ron said that a P.A. system could be rented or possibly donated. Sherry mentioned inviting the Smoke Dancers from the Oneida Tribe and they would probably be more comfortable in the Gym. Committee Members were asked to donate items to the Silent Auction. Buck suggested asking other tribes to make some items to donate to the Silent Auction.

#### **XIII. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

Approval of the June 1, 2018 and the August 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes and all of the above; voting for Vice-Chair.

#### **XIV. Scheduling and Location of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Friday, October 5, 2018 at the Nevada Indian Commission office.

## **XV. Committee Member Comments and Announcements**

Ms. Rupert asked Committee Members to think about nominations for the AIAA.

## **XVI. Final Public Comment**

Ms. Nichols commented that she received feedback at the Powwow about how beautiful the grounds were. She said people commented to her that the grounds really enhanced the experience. B&G was publicly thanked again for their work on the grounds.

## **XVII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:56am.