

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – DECEMBER 8, 2011 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: December 8, 2011
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
William E. Emery, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Elizabeth D. Mayo, Treasurer
Jerry Lee Curtis (left at 11:05 a.m.)
Fred Dakota
Eddy Edwards
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Isabelle Helene Welsh (arrived at 9:13 a.m.)
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: December 8, 2011

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Isabelle H. Welsh), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A Letter from Earl Otchingwanigan and Christie Otchingwanigan regarding their intentions for KBIC’s Language Program - for review

Isabelle Welsh arrived at 9:13 a.m.

H. Old Business:

1. Elizabeth Mayo, Treasurer/Isabelle Welsh, Foster Care Coordinator – Donation Requests for Children who have lost a Parent for Christmas Gifts

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE A DONATION OF \$300.00 IN GIFTS FOR EACH CHILD WHO LOST A PARENT THIS PAST YEAR. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Employee Benefits Agency, Inc. – Transfer from MEBS to ABS, Inc. effective January 1, 2012

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO HIRE ADVANCED BENEFITS SOLUTIONS, INC. VIA EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AGENCY, INC. AS OUR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR OF HEALTH BENEFITS. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

I. New Business:

1. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update
2. John Baker, Attorney – Bar and Food Service New Business License “Jimaganish Wadokaged” Warrior’s Helpers (Located at the American Legion Post #444 – Rick Geroux, President)

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE A BAR AND FOOD SERVICE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR THE JIMAGANISH WADOKAGED. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

J. Closed Session:

1. John Baker, Attorney
2. Carole LaPointe, Health Director – Western U.P. Health Department Services Agreement
3. Dale Dakota, Police Commissioner – Personnel Issue
4. Jennifer Misegan, Enrollment/Licensing Director – Vehicle Tax Reimbursement Policy Review

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:37 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 9:38 – 9:48 a.m.

Jerry Lee Curtis left at 11:05 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:52 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Western U.P. Health Department Services Agreement – Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening and/or Diagnostic Services. December 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WESTERN U.P. HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND KBIC. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Liana Loonsfoot, Weed and Seed Coordinator – BC/BS Benefits

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ALLOW LIANA LOONSFOOT TO RECEIVE BC/BS DURING HER TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT AS WEED AND SEED COORDINATOR UNTIL MARCH 2012 FROM THE GRANT FUNDS. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 11:55 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist