

SGU BOARD OF REGENTS
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH, 2015

A G E N D A

11:00 A.M.:

- Call to Order ----- Russell Eagle Bear, Chairman
- Opening Prayer
- Approve Agenda
- Review/Amend By-laws
- Chief of Operations:
 - HLC Report
- President's Office
- New Business
- Old Business
- Adjourn
- Closing Prayer

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day!

**SGU Board of Regents
Special Meeting
November 25, 2015**

Members Present:

Russell Eagle Bear, Chairman
Dwayne Hollow Horn Bear, Staff/Faculty Rep.
Marilyn Marshall, Region 4 Rep.
Lorraine Nez, Student Rep.

Members Absent:

Webster Two Hawk, Region 3 Rep. (excused)
Mike Boltz, Region 1 Rep. (excused)
Leonard Crow Dog, Elder Rep. (excused)
One Vacancy - RST Education Rep.

Others Present:

Lionel Bordeaux, President
Paul Robertson, Chief of Operations
Sherry Red Owl, VP/Community Education
Cheryl Medearis, VP/Academic Affairs

Call to Order

The Sinte Gleska University Board of Regents met in special session on Wednesday, November 25th, 2016 at the SGU Administration Building (Board Room), Mission, South Dakota to continue reviewing and amending the by-laws. A quorum was present and the meeting called to order by Russell Eagle Bear, Chairman at 11:25 a.m.

Opening Prayer

Duane Hollow Horn Bear offered the opening prayer.

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Eagle Bear states the purpose of the meeting is to continue to review the by-laws and also a letter from HLC giving updated information.

Motion #: 01.11.25.15

Motion by Duane Hollow Horn and seconded by Marilyn Marshall to approve the agenda. Vote: three (3) in favor, zero (0) opposed, Chairman not voting, motion carried.

Review/Amend By-laws

- Paul Robertson gave an overview of what had been done at the previous meeting
- Duane Hollow Horn Bear mentioned that there were questions about term limits and definition of “elder”

- **Elder Regents – page 4; section VI**
 - Discussion on pros and cons of reducing age to 55.
 - Tribe’s designated age was discussed.
 - Russell offered an option to consider the use of Lakota terms into the By-laws to include wicahca (male elder) and winuhca (female elder) instead of an age limit.

- **Extension of Terms**
 - Previously, the Board extended terms for 3 positions: Leonard Crow Eagle, Webster Two Hawk; and Duane Hollow Horn Bear.
 - Elder regents could be appointed for “up-to-life” terms. Suggested to leave out # of years.
 - Everyone who is appointed has their term begin and end at the same time was questioned;
 - Action: Specific dates were removed so not to be so constrictive
 - Action: Delete two year terms and appoint for a “life” term for the Elder Representative.

- **Sicangu Oyate Okolakiciye Regent – Section VII (struck)**
 - Action: Change the Education Committee member to a voting member.
 - The Board Regents consists of 8 members.

- Question by President Bordeaux regarding Section VIII and Section IX as to why these positions are struck or eliminated.
 - Section VIII: An example of why an honorary BOR member was important “to capture experience of someone”; they will be non-voting members.
 - Russell comments “it has been a struggle as to getting a quorum; we need to keep the By-Laws simple; should we have an Elderly Advisory Council”?

- **Appointment to the Boards of Regents – Section IX (struck)**

Change to Section I - Meetings of Regents

- Remove any “felon” across the board; determination can be made by the board since we are on an appointment basis; this would be different if we had an election process.

Section I – Regular Meetings should be changed to include a special day/time for consistency

Action: Leave as is for now.

Section II –

Question and discussion on whether checks be paid when there is no quorum? There should wording to make it allowable when Board members spend time reviewing documents (such as the timeliness of reviewing the by-laws), as well as discussion for information and consideration purposes. Wording needs to be defined in the By-Laws.

Change: to read “Board will receive an “honorarium” and not “salary”.

HLC Report, Paul Robertson, Chief of Operations.

- Received notice that our status is changed from “Probation” to “On Notice”.
- Very important that we focus on the Comprehensive Visit

President’s Report

- President Bordeaux’s priority is to expand the institution:
 - Update vision and strategic plan for the Oyate
 - Approach from an academic perspective
 - Hands-on portion will be difficult
 - Need to expand our health offerings; perhaps a traveling clinic
 - Need to expand to pre-med and Pre-law

Next Meeting Date

It is the consensus of the Board to schedule the next meeting for December 7th, 2015 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Adjourn**Motion #: 02.11.25.15**

Motion by Marilyn Marshall and seconded by Duane Hollow Horn Bear to adjourn the meeting. Vote: three (3) in favor, zero (0) opposed, Chairman not voting, motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned hereby certify that at a duly called meeting of the Sinte Gleska University Board of Regents held on February 25, 2016 of which a quorum was present, that the foregoing minutes of November 25, 2015 were approved by a vote of four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, Chairman not voting.

/s/Russell Eagle Bear, Chairman
SGU Board of Regents

ATTEST:

/s/Evelyn White Hawk, Secretary
SGU Board of Regents

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