ROLL CALL – BOARD SECRETARY

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Boltz, Chairman/District 1 Rep.
Richard Lunderman, Vice Chair/District 2
Donna Hollow Horn Bear, Tribal Education Rep.  
(participated by zoom)
Ken Wike, Staff/Faculty Rep.
Nick Emery (newly elected, incoming Staff/Faculty Rep.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:


Others present (for all or part of the meeting): Jim Crawford, Executive Vice President; Carole Gregg, Finance Manager, Cheryl Medearis, VP/Academics Affairs; Debra Bordeaux, VP/Institutional Advancement; Cheryl Whirlwind Soldier, VP/General Operations, Michelle Reifel-Gunhammer, Payroll Officer.

President Bordeaux requests to be excused due to medical reasons via phone call to Board Secretary.

The Sinte Gleska University Board of Regents met in regular session on Friday, March 4, 2022 at the Student Services Building (Classroom 1) on the Antelope Lake Campus. A quorum is present and the meeting called to order by the Chairman Boltz at 11:12 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER

Evelyn White Hawk, Board Secretary offered the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ken Wike and Nick Emery confirmed Rita Means’ wishes to remain as a candidate for the Elder Regent position. Ione Quigley rescinded her application per attached letter.

Request to address Cassandra Artichoker’s issue that was brought to the Board meeting back in August, 2021. Discuss in Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

Motion #: 01:03:04:22

Motion by Ken Wike and seconded by Donna Hollow Horn Bear to approve the agenda as amended. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.
MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 3, 2021 & JANUARY 4, 2022

December 3, 2021 minutes: on page 3, delete 3rd sentence on the last paragraph.

Motion #: 02:03:04:22

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Ken Wike to approve the minutes for the December 3, 2021 meeting as amended. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

Motion #: 03:03:04:22

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Ken Wike to approve the minutes for the January 4, 2022 meeting as corrected. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

CERTIFICATION FOR ELECTION OF STAFF AND STUDENT REGENTS

*Report for Staff/Faculty Election Results attached.

Staff Election Results:

1) Nick Emery ---------------------------------- 17 votes
2) Ken Wike ---------------------------------- 16 votes
3) Royal Lost His Blanket-Stone, Jr. -------------- 13 votes

Motion #: 04:03:04:22

Motion by Ken Wike and seconded by Richard Lunderman to approve/certify the election results and seat Nick Emery on the SGU Board of Regents as the Staff/Faculty Regent. VOTE: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

*Report for the Student Association Election Results attached.

According to the SGU Board of Regents By-laws, the President of the Student Association is elected/appointed as the Student Regent on the Board of Regents.

The results for the Student Association President are:

1) Keya Pipeboy ----------------------------- 40 votes
2) Mahpiya Spotted Tail ----------------------- 35 votes
3) Madonna Sitting Bear ---------------------- 34 votes

Keya Pipeboy was elected as the Student Association President. He is an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe but does not reside on the Reservation. Discussion on his responsibilities to
the Student Association:

- One of the concerns is Keya should be on campus to plan and organize student activities/events. The Student Association did not plan activities last year due to COVID.
- Another challenge would be the distance and cost of his travel (round trip).
- There is no policy that says the student officers must reside in the local area.
- He is an RST tribal member and maintains a 3.0 GPA.
- Staff feel the SA President & officers should live in the local area.
- Discussion on SGU credits transferred to other colleges/universities.
- Had a good voter turn-out.
- In speaking with the Board secretary Keya assured her he would have no problem in coming down since he does come to visit his mother. His mother lives nearby and he can also, use zoom to join the Board meetings.
- Discussion on Student Association Clubs (Knowledge Bowl, Inquiry Team, Handgame Team, Archery Team, Business Club) all have advisors and each receive a $500.00 start-up funds for fundraising to attend AIHEC Conference and other events.

**Motion #: 05:03:04:22**

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Nick Emery to certify/approve the election results for the Student Association President and seat Keya Pipeboy on the SGU Board of Regents as the Student Regent. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

John Crawford will request an opinion from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) concerning residency requirement for the student representative.

**ELDER BOARD MEMBER**

Report on the Elder Board member candidates: Ione Quigley and Rita Means. Ione Quigley withdrew her application (letter attached). Rita Means will not be available for the meeting today but, wishes to remain a candidate. It is the consensus of the Board to continue to solicit candidates. If, Rita Means wants to continue with her candidacy that is her decision.

Further discussion on filling the vacant positions on the Board for at-large and elderly regents:

- The Board can select someone from the districts and make appointments or continue to solicit candidates by advertisements. *Keep advertisements in the paper. Contact Community Chairpersons and Councilman and send a copy of the notice of vacancies. Send to SGU media outlets, RST Communications, etc. Sent notices to KOYA and KINI radio stations.
President Bordeaux recommends Sherman Marshall, first Baccalaureate graduate from SGU. He went off to law school, returned and for some time worked as a Vice President at SGU. Have the Board Secretary contact him to see if he would be interested in submitting an application to serve on the Board.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

John Crawford, Executive Vice President gave an oral report on the TLE lawsuit followed by discussions.

Motion #: 06:03:04:22

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Nick Emery that based on Mr. Pechota’s view that the TLE (Tribal Land Enterprise) will not agree to a settlement and there is a need for further legal representation to have him refer who he has in mind. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed. WITHDREW MOTION.

Motion #: 07:03:04:22

Motion by Nick Emery and seconded by Donna Hollow Horn Bear to send a letter of appeal for a settlement on the TLE Lawsuit to the Tribal Council, Tribal Chairman, TLE Board members and the members of the Treaty Council stating the facts, referencing the SGU Resolution and the Land Tax monies owed to SGU. VOTE: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

John Crawford continues with this report:

- Administration meets every Monday and agrees with the organizational chart and timeline to hire that was presented. Suggested to discuss the organizational chart and the timeline to hire at later meeting.
- Grievance Policy presented.
- COVID policies and procedures (1-page diagram).
- Excerpts from federal regs. Summed up to 1 or 2 pages. Simplified all the language as much as possible.

VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS REPORT (CHERYL MEDEARIS)

- Provided the information packets in December.
- Specified lesson planning.
- Critical Race Theory – to make rounded, open-minded critical thinkers.
- What is written in texts/books for our future generations.
- To be accepting and work with other citizens.

Michelle Reifel, Payroll Officer joined the meeting at this point.

Ms. Clairmont, RST Tribal Education Department shared information on critical educational issues.
Motion #: 08:03:04:22

Motion by Donna Hollow Horn Bear and seconded by Nick Emery to accept John Crawford’s report. Vote: three (3) in favor, zero (0) opposed, one (1) abstaining, motion passed.

STUDENT/GRADUATE COMPLAINT (CASSANDRA ARTICHOKER)

Motion #: 09:03:04:22

Motion by Nick Emery and seconded by Richard Lunderman to resolve the issue for the student graduate with a letter admitting to the error and apologizing for bad academic counseling and to reissue a certificate with a “Fine Arts” degree. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT (CAROLE GREGG)

Carole Gregg, Finance Manager reported on the following:

- Balance Sheet for January, 2022;
- Check Register for January, 2022;
- Grants report submitted by Alisa Bartlett
- Question on payments to LB Towing. These payments are for the Voc-Rehab clients’ mechanical repairs on vehicles.

CHECK SIGNER

Need to appoint another check signer due to Ken Wike no longer serving on the Board.

Motion #: 10:03:04:22

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Ken Wike to remove Ken Wike as a check signer and appoint/authorize Nick Emery as a check signer. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

HAZARD/PREMIUM PAY

- Shut down campus in March, 2020.
- List of essential workers was developed in the President’s Office in March, 2020.
- List was updated with additions in November, 2020.

Discussion on who should have been determined eligible to receive hazard/premium pay.

--Employee who came to work and actually present on campus.
--Lower-end of the pay scale or economic status should have been a priority.
Motion #: 11:03:04:22

Motion by Donna Hollow Horn Bear and seconded by Nick Emery to accept the Finance Report as presented by Carole Gregg. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion #: 12:03:04:22

Motion by Richard Lunderman and seconded by Nick Emery to go into Executive Session. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed. Board went into executive session.

Board Secretary excused herself from the Executive Session.

Chairman declared out of executive session at 3:06 p.m.

ADJOURN

Motion #: 14:03:04:22

Motion by Nick Emery and seconded by Richard Lunderman to adjourn the meeting. VOTE: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:11

CERTIFICATION

At a duly called meeting of the Sinte Gleska University Board of Regents held on March 18, 2022 the foregoing meeting minutes of March 4, 2022 were approved by a vote of four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed. A quorum was present.

/s/Mike Boltz, Chairman
SGU Board of Regents

Attest:

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

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