

OKLAHOMA ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INDIAN EDUCATION
Cox Convention Center
Exhibit Hall D
1 Myriad Gardens
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102
Wednesday July 10, 2013
10:00 AM

1. Call to order and roll call—10:00 a.m. Chairperson Parrish
2. Welcome Chairperson Parrish
 - A. Invocation
 - B. Acknowledgment and Recognition of Host
 - C. Introduction of Guests
3. Discussion and possible action on OACIE Minutes of April 10, 2013
4. Discussion on current issues, goals, and updates for SDE Dr. Barresi, State Superintendent
5. Updates on Oklahoma Indian Education Dwight Pickering
6. Presentation by OETA Dan Schledel
7. Presentation by Barbary Keith, College Board Barbary Keith
8. Discussion and possible action on the following items related to Indian Education
 - A. NACIE Report Greg Anderson
 - B. Education Bills of the 2013 legislative session Tom Crimmins
 - C. Discussion on October 9, 2013 Meeting in Norman, OK
9. Closing Comments and Announcements Chairman Parrish
10. Adjournment

Next Meeting on October 9, 2013 in Norman, OK, 10:00 a.m.

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1. **Call to order and roll call—10:00 a.m.** **Chairperson Parrish**
Called to order at 10:08 a.m.

Roll Call – Greg Anderson, Tom Crimmins, Judy Davis, Lucyann Harjo, Dr. James King, Mary McCormick, Chair Jim Parrish, Dwight Pickering, Paul Pinkerton, Dr. Joe Robinson – Present. Esther Bell, Lori Hamilton, Lisa John, Gay Munsell, Jana Roth, Jack Shadwick, Gina Timberman – Absent.

2. **Welcome** **Chairperson Parrish**
- A. Invocation - Jacob Tsoitgh was asked to provide the invocation
 - B. Acknowledgment and Recognition of Host - Chair Parrish acknowledged Mr. Pickering for arranging the meeting at the Cox Convention Center during the Vision 20/20 Professional Development Conference
 - C. Introduction of Guests - Dr. Norma Neely, Ray Rodgers, Linda Rodgers, Dr. Barbary Keith of the College Board, Teresa Bolin, Rex Wall, and Dan Schiedel of OETA
3. **Discussion and possible action on OACIE Minutes of April 10, 2013** – motion by Tom Crimmins to approve the minutes and seconded by Dr. Robinson
4. **Discussion on current issues, goals, and updates for SDE** **Dr. Janet Barresi,
State Superintendent**
5. **Updates on Oklahoma Indian Education** **Dwight Pickering**

Mr. Pickering began an update on Indian Education initiatives with mention of tribal language modification. He mentioned the workshops that will occur during Vision 20/20 including the STEP Grantees, On-line Curriculum Resources, Teaching American Indian Students in the Classroom. He stated that there will be a representative from the National Museum for American Indian will be here on July 25th to meet with the Online Curriculum Resources Work Group to talk about potential collaboration. He asked Ms. Harjo to speak about the work of that Work Group. Ms. Harjo stated that the Work Group has been working on resources which might be helpful to classroom teachers in support of American Indian students. She stated that she was hopeful to bring together a shared vision for Indian education for all students. Issues such as the Land Run would be discussed and resources gathered to put on the OSDE website. Chair Parrish asked if this resource would be available by January, 2014 and Ms. Harjo responded that was the target date. Ms. McCormick asked if the Work Group might be in conflict with what the Council might be doing. Mr. Pickering said that this work would not conflict with the work of the Council. Mr. Pickering mentioned the Indian Education Summit is planned for October 21-23, 2013, at the Postal Training Center in Norman, OK. He stated that Supt. Barresi would attend and that Supt. Denise Juneau of Montana would be a keynote speaker. He again mentioned the work of the Online Resources Work Group. Mr. Rodgers of Sapulpa asked if he was still looking for workshops. He asked Dr. Neely to address the Summit. She stated that the RFP has been sent out requesting submissions.

6. Presentation by OETA

**Dan Schiedel,
Executive Director**

Chair Parrish introduced Mr. Schiedel from the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority. He presented a PowerPoint about the work of OETA which is reaching out to local communities to involve American Indian people. He provided a handout with the link to an educational website for Oklahoma educators (oeta.pbslearningmedia.org). He mentioned the OETA network which reaches over 95% of the state through two channels. Only statewide television network existing in OK. OETA is a safe haven for Oklahoma families, providing non-commercial, non-violent and educational entertainment and information. The network is Oklahoma's largest classroom which have up to 35,000 resources on its website which totally free! He mentioned the importance of pre-school to families by quoting data which found that 81% of viewing public found that OETA improves math and reading performance. The vision of OETA is to exist to enrich and enhance the quality of life for all Oklahomans. He asked what OETA could do to be more essential to our state? Mr. Tsofigh responded that the network could reach out to the Native community to support a forum for our Indian people such as a talk show that could be modeled after the former Voices of the Land which aired many years ago. He responded that he has worked with tribal communities in previous roles in South Dakota and knows the value of sharing with tribal communities. Mr. Rodgers mentioned that he would like to see the network work with students to get them interested in television production as occupational fields. Mr. Schiedel stated that he had previously worked with the Native American Public Telecommunication organization. He mentioned that the network is considering a volunteer support group which might involve students. He stated it is considering a media summit for tribal leaders and communities in the future. Mr. Pickering stated that both Mr. Rodgers and Ms. Froman could be valuable resources for OETA who work with American Indian students. Mr. Schiedel responded that OETA needed to reshape its culture and reach out to Indian tribes. Ms. McCormick stated that she agreed Mr. Tsofigh on his remarks. She mentioned the value of culture and heritage and hoped that the Council would continue to work on these two areas. Mr. Schiedel responded that the network would have to look at culture for all people. Ms. McCormick mentioned that the Sac & Fox broadcasts their tribal meetings.

7. Presentation by Barbary Keith, College Board

Barbary Keith

Chair Parrish introduced Ms. Keith of the College Board. She made a presentation on College and Career Readiness. She mentioned teaching at Taft Middle School and Northwest Classen in her previous teaching career. She has worked at the College Board for over 12 years and was thankful that Mr. Quinton RomanNose has contacted her and asked her to present information on AP initiatives. Many school districts and statewide organizations are members of the College Board which is governed by a Board of Trustees. She started her presentation outlining goals for today – college and career ready – what does it mean?; the PSAT/NMSQT Connection – AP Potential; Advanced Placement Program – Oklahoma Data; Resources for Educators, Students, and Families; Next Steps and Questions. She stated that we cannot pigeonhole our students by limiting their choices. We might be losing generations of kids by doing so. She said that our students are getting into college but they just aren't graduating. American Indian students are not participating in the PSAT testing which qualify them for the National Merit Scholarship in significant numbers. In 2007 390 American Indian students took the test. By 2012 408 American Indian students took this test. She stressed the value of students enrolling in AP courses that will allow them to graduate from college on time because they will have tested out of courses prior to enrolling in college. We are going to have to change the way we do business, she challenged the Council. Only two out of ten American Indian students are enrolling in AP classes according to data. OSDE may pay for minority students taking college courses concurrently, she stated. Fee waivers are available for PSAT, SAT for most students in need. Bigfuture is a website that helps students navigate resources that might be available to assist them. She mentioned fall counselor workshops that are scheduled for Oklahoma counselors.

8. Discussion and possible action on the following items related to Indian Education

A. NACIE Report

Greg Anderson

Mr. Anderson stated that the NACIE had 24 items to be presented to Congress about American Indian issues. He mentioned that the Director of the Bureau of Indian Education would be reopened later this summer. He stated that he would send out more information about the possible relocation of the Oklahoma City Line Office and strategies to forestall such a potential move. Ms. McCormick asked who were the new directors would be for Assistant Secretary position.

B. Education Bills of the 2013 legislative session

Tom Crimmins

Mr. Crimmins mentioned potential legislation that would impact the OSDE and the amounts of funding that would be appropriated the next fiscal year. Per pupil expenditures amount to approximately \$30.00 in increased funding for next year. He stated that he had distributed a handout with information on bills that have been approved as well as those which were not approved including the open carry law for school staff. HB2048 passed which addressed charter school eligibility for equalization funding. Statewide charter school board (SB169) which was passed and are in the mix for funding approval. He stated that public schools welcome the competition as it would stimulate public schools to do better for their students.

C. Discussion on October 9, 2013 Meeting In Norman, OK

Chair Parrish stated that the next meeting is still being planned and a location would be determined some time soon and would be announced soon. He stated that future reauthorization would be brought forward at that meeting with Representatives and Senators have been approached about sponsoring that. He stated that the Oklahoma Bar Association is planning to present at that meeting as well.

9. Closing Comments and Announcements

Chairman Parrish

10. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn made by Tom Crimmins and seconded by Paul Pinkerton.

Next Meeting on October 9, 2013 in Norman, OK, 10:00 a.m.

Minutes were provided by Jacob Tsofigh, Recording Secretary for the Oklahoma Advisory Council for Indian Education on September 30, 2013 and approved on October 9, 2013


OACIE Chairperson