

**SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS OF THE
OKLAHOMA ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INDIAN EDUCATION (OACIE)
REGULAR MEETING FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2018
APRIL 18, 2018, 10:00 A.M.**

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (BOARD ROOM)
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73105

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call** **Chair Lucyann Harjo**
Chair Lucyann Harjo called the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education meeting to order at 10:13 A.M., the purpose of the regular meeting is to meet “at least quarterly” provided by 70 O.S. § 3-173(D) of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education Act.
- 2. Meeting Quorum**

 - (A) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HOST**
Chair Harjo thanked the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) for serving as the host for the regular meeting of the second quarter of 2018.
 - (B) ROLL CALL:**
Present: Greg Anderson; Esther Bell; Robert Bible; Lori Hamilton; Chair Lucyann Harjo; Rhonda Hayworth; Matt Higdon; Superintendent Joy Hofmeister (Dr. Cindy Koss as proxy); Lisa John; Paul Pinkerton; and Shoshana Wasserman; 11 Council members present.
Absent: Todd Crabtree; Judy Davis; Mary McCormick; Jim Parrish; Becki Foster; Jana Roth; David Walkingstick; 7 Council members absent.
 - (C) GUESTS:** Norma Neely (Director, American Indian Institute OU); Lisa Nelson (Assistant Director of Student Preparation, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education); Sarah Price (Muscogee (Creek) Nation Education and Training); Debbie Downing (Retired Educator); Laurisa Soap (Muscogee (Creek) Nation, State-Tribal Education Partnership); Dr. Jeanene Barnett (Deputy Superintendent of Assessment and Accountability, OSDE).
- 3. (Action) Discussion to approve or disapprove OACIE minutes for Special Meeting on March 16, 2018 (Q1)** **Open Floor**
Council member Wasserman asked that her name be spelled correctly. Council member Hayworth made a motion to approve minutes, with a second from Council member Anderson. *MOTION CARRIED 10 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, 0 IN THE ABSTENTION (10-0-0)*
- 4. Discussion of current issues, goals, and updates related to American Indian Students** **Dr. Cindy Koss**

 - (a) Tribal Consultation Discussion**
Council member Greg Anderson reported that tribal consultations were underway and close to completion. Reported an issue of clarification needed from the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) regarding consultation with districts and schools under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Reported that Principal

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Chief James Floyd sent a letter to U.S. Senator James Lankford's office about the importance of necessary clarification for tribal consultation. Reported that tribes are conducting consultations as they had done previously until they receive clarification.

(b) State Testing Update

Dr. Jeanene Barnett (Deputy Superintendent for Assessment and Accountability), reported on significant state assessment changes and updates. She reported that grades 3 through 8 were assessed in math and English Language Arts. Grades 5 and 8 were assessed in science as well. She stated that Grade 11 was assessed as well. She handed out an Accountability Implementation Calendar (2018 Accountability Working Timeline & Implementation Calendar) to the Council members which is distributed by the State Accountability Office. She reported that districts are asked to get their Grade 3 and Grade 5 scores in by April 24th. She stated that the calendar for assessment was on the OSDE website. Dr. Barnett reported that WIDA tests were being implemented during the Jan. 22 through March 30, 2018 testing window. She gave the assessment reporting timeline with final results being available in August 2018. She reported that there will be a Parent Portal available this year (September) for the first time and mobile accessible. *Council member* asked if the agency had any data or information on why native students are slightly below all other students. Dr. Barnett answered that due to percent proficiency analysis within the previous accountability system and now there will be a shift of how data is being analyze will go beyond percent proficient and requires a "deeper dive." *Council member Lisa John* asked about the nature of the questions on the tests and whether they are consistent with what is being taught. Dr. Barnett responded that sometimes textbooks are not aligned with the state standards which could lead to some confusion on the way the questions are asked. She reported on the baseline test scores that will be reported by each district on individual student assessment. She talked about the college and career ready assessments being used by the state including ACT and SAT scores.

(c) EngageOK on the Road

Dr. Cindy Koss (Deputy Superintendent for Academic Affairs and Planning), reported about the invitation to participate in EngageOK throughout seven sites in the State, stated Superintendent will have time to visit during lunch and each location is hospitable for attendees.

(d) New Skills for Youth (ICAP)

Dr. Cindy Koss (Deputy Superintendent for Academic Affairs and Planning), reported about the invitation to participate in the Individual Career Academic Planning (ICAP) pilot process, added the date for intent to participate to May 11, where previously was May 4, due to walkout an extension was placed for convenience and accomodation. Gives an opportunity for school districts to consider what the ICAP process is, this year will be doing a study on (1) challenges, (2) successes, and (3) lessons learned. *Julian Guerrero Jr. (Executive Director for American Indian Education, OSDE)* informed the Council that he will be presenting at two EngageOK locations in Norman and Owasso and giving

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two presentations (1) Building Sustainable Partnerships with Tribal Education Agencies and (2) Culturally Responsive American Indian Curriculum for All.

- 5. State Superintendent Remarks** **Superintendent Joy Hofmeister**
Superintendent Hofmeister thanked the Council for coming together and advising the State Department of Education, grateful for the collaborative work currently underway and that Oklahoma is leading the way in the nation in Indian Education. Reported since last meeting, the teacher pay raise was funded by the legislature and it is necessary to maintain momentum in the support of teachers. Stated there is pending legislation requiring attention and excused herself from the regular meeting.

- 6. Muscogee (Creek) Nation** **Sarah Price**
Presentation on Cultural Responsiveness Training
Ms. Sarah Price reported on the Culturally Responsive training that was developed by the State Tribal Education Partnership (STEP) Project at the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Department of Education and Training. The primary focus of the STEP project was to (2) build internal capacity of the Tribal Education Agency (TEA) and (2) support collaborative relationships with Local Education Agencies (LEAs). She stated that this resource was developed in response to concerns conveyed at districts with which they worked. She reviewed Essential Questions that were presented in their teacher training sessions. Ms. Soap gave an overview of the historical context of the Muscogee Nation relating to regions prior to removal. Ms. Price gave an overview of the economic impact the Nation is having on its jurisdictional area including gaming resources and economic development. She gave an overview of the historical trauma Native people have endured over generations that have led to their perceptions of public education. She reported on the institutional racism that exists which impacts our Native students. Mr. Anderson stated that this presentation was designed for rural communities which have significant numbers of American Indian students.

- 7. Updates and reports on Indian Education**
- (a) Legislative Updates** **Council Member Todd Crabtree**
Council member Esther Bell asked Dr. Koss what bill Supt. Hofmeister needed to address. Mr. Pinkerton commented on efforts to overturn the teacher pay raise bill. He mentioned that OSDE usually distributes information on education bills and Dr. Koss said that this will probably be ready by next week.
- (b) Oklahoma Council for Indian Education** **Chair Lucyann Harjo**
Chair Harjo reported that OCIE was sponsoring the Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS) next Thursday in Durant with over 1,100 students being recognized. She reported that Norman Public Schools will conduct its annual Battle of the Books event on May 1st.

- 8. Public Comment** **Open Floor**
Dr. Norma Neely (American Indian Institute, OU) reported on a project involving the study of geology being conducted in the Shawnee area. *Council member Lisa John* reported on a project involving a school bus fund to the Fred Jones Art Museum that is available for districts to submit for support. Mr. Anderson reported that a meeting of the

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Native American Caucus would meet in May and the Council would attend to make a report. He also reported that a meeting on ESSA Section 6132 that would support funding for building Tribal Education Agency (TEA) capacity.

9. Closing Remarks

Open Floor

Next Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2018

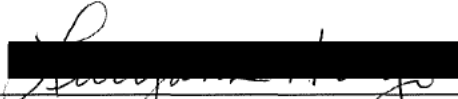
10. (Action) Adjournment

Open Floor

Council member Greg Anderson made a motion to adjourn, with a second from Council member Lisa John. By a unanimous voice vote, the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE) adjourned official business at 12:13pm. *MOTION CARRIED 11 IN THE AFFIRMATION, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, AND 0 IN THE ABSTENTION (11-0-0).*

Minutes provided by Mr. Jacob Tsoitigh, a recording secretary, on behalf of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education on April 18, 2018 and were passed (*passed/rejected*) on JULY 25, 2018.

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I, **Lucyann Harjo**, as Chairman of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE) hereby certify these minutes to be true and accurate as approved by the Council members who were present, in official quorum as provided by Oklahoma State Statute.

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