



**LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON INDIAN
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DRAFT MINUTES

Meeting Date: February 20, 2019

Meeting Location: Oregon State Capitol, Room 167-G

Members Present:

Cheryle Kennedy, Chair, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (LCIS Chair)
Gary Burke, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian
Reservation
Austin Greene, Tribal Chairman, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs attended on behalf
of Charles Calica, Tribal Council Vice-Chair, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
Dan Courtney, Tribal Chairman, Tribal Board of Directors, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of
Indians
Dee Pigsley, Tribal Chairman, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
Brenda Meade, Tribal Chairperson, Coquille Indian Tribe
Eric Hawley, Tribal Chairman, Burns Paiute Tribe
Arnie Roblan, Senator
Bill Hansell, Senator
Tawna D. Sanchez, Representative
Jackie Mercer, CEO, NARA Northwest (non-voting)

Members Absent:

Don Gentry, Tribal Chair, Klamath Tribes (Tribal Government Business)
Mark Ingersoll, Tribal Chairman, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw
(Tribal Government Business)
Sherrie Sprenger, Representative (Legislative Business)

Staff

Danny Santos, Interim Director, Legislative Commission on Indian Services
Adrienne Fischer, Commission Assistant, Legislative Commission on Indian Services

In Attendance:

1. Larry Warren, Marine Board Director
2. Janine Belleque, Boating Facilities Manager, Marine Board
3. Colt Gill, Director, Department of Education
4. April Campbell, Indian Education Advisor, Department of Education
5. Ramona Halcomb, Indian Education Specialist, Department of Education
6. Olivia Sparks, Department of Education
7. Ellen Rosenblum, Oregon Attorney General
8. Kamala Shugar, Department of Justice
9. Andrew Phelps, Director, Office of Emergency Management
10. Dave Stuckey, Adjutant General Deputy Director, Military Department
11. Robert Winglee, University of Washington/ NASA
12. Juan Carlos Chavez, University of Washington/ NASA

Welcome

Acting Chair Courtney called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m., welcomed the members and guests and noted that he would be chairing the first part of the meeting.

Invocation: Chairman Austin Greene of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs gave the invocation.

Adoption of Minutes

Commission members approved the minutes for the October 2, 2018 LCIS meeting by acclimation.

Staff Report:

Danny Santos, Interim Director: Interim Director Danny Santos thanked the Commission for the opportunity to fill in this role. He noted that there was no replacing Retired Director Karen Quigley's 23 years or her passion and leadership. Chair Kennedy will talk about the search for a new Executive Director later today. Mr. Santos spoke about some of the activities of the LCIS office including, archaeological permits. Also of note were efforts by the US Attorney's Office regarding grants to dedicate more resources to cases of domestic violence cases. There is also legislation from Representative Sanchez regarding data collection. The Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, Justice Walters, has asked the Judicial Department to work with the Indian Law section of the Oregon State Bar to move forward a model to grant full faith and credit to Tribal Court orders in the State of Oregon. He spoke briefly about the budget. Spending was less than anticipated, however the categories of the budget do not line up with actual spending. The agency's budget presentation before the Legislature will be in April. At the request of Chair Kennedy, Mr. Santos has been attending cluster meetings and feels that they are an important tool for Government-to-Government work and serves as the foundation for consultation. He then spoke about the Governor's Cultural Items Task Force. Under Chair Meade's leadership, the Task Force is very near to producing a report at or ahead of schedule. The Task Force is

now working to develop a survey for agencies to use to “take a look around” to see what cultural items are in their possession. They are also looking at how best to train agency staff. They sense that there will be a continuing Executive Order to continue this important work.

Director Santos then spoke about recent inadvertent discoveries and the processes currently in place. He noted that Washington State Physical Anthropologist, Guy Tasa’s presentation to LCIS last year generated a lot of interest, but the presentation was informational and there was no charge that followed. Lastly Director Santos discussed bill tracking and noted some which may be of particular interest to Tribes.

Chair Courtney: Chair Courtney introduced two new LCIS Members. The new representative from the Burns Paiute Tribe is Eric Hawley, Tribal Chairman and the new Legislative representative is House Representative Tawna Sanchez.

State Marin Board Director Larry Warren and Boating Facilities Manager & Agency Key Contact, Janine Belleque

Larry Warren: Director Warren thanked the Commission for the opportunity to present to the Commission and introduced Boating Facilities Manager, Janine Belleque. This is the first time the Agency has presented before the Commission. The Agency was created in 1959 and its mission is to serve Oregon’s recreational boaters through education, enforcement, access and environmental stewardship. Many states will house boating laws within a natural resource agency or link it to the DMV, so Oregon’s Marine Board is unique. The Board consists of five volunteer members who cover various geographical areas.

Director Warren then spoke about key programs. The agency does not own boating facilities, instead they work with other entities. Currently none of their grant programs are open for Tribes to apply, though they have found solutions to that in the past. They have seen a large increase in non-motorized boating. Those non-motorized boats are required to purchase an aquatic invasive species permit and that is their contribution to the programs. Over the years, the agency has tried to find ways to have the non-motorized community provide funding to the agency, so they can share in the funding for law enforcement and facilities. He noted that boats that are used for treaty fishing are not subject to boating laws, however if that same boat were used for recreational purposes, it would then be subject to those laws. All boaters are subject to laws regarding safety. Director Warren then spoke about invasive aquatic species and how damaging those could be. They contract with ODFW to run check stations about the state. There is legislation currently being worked on to address rules concerning invasive species.

Janine Belleque: Ms. Belleque spoke about the creation of a Tribal liaison position within the agency and the formation of a policy for their Government-to-Government work. The draft policy has been distributed to LCIS and the Natural and Cultural resource groups for

review and feedback. They have also sent out a list of upcoming projects, some as far as six years out, to the tribes to start the consultation process.

Director Santos asked for clarification on upcoming bills that are relevant to the agency, specifically SB 47 and whether that could be a path to fixing the grant issue. Director Warren answered that he would have to review the relating to clause to see if that would be possible. Commission Member Meade asked about abandoned boats. Director Warren responded that it could be a complicated issue that spans multiple agencies and jurisdictions, including the Department of State Lands and Sherriff's offices. The Agency is funded for \$150,000 for the purpose of removing these vessels. They can also be an environmental problem. Senator Roblan added that this has been a huge issue along the coast and that there are many complicating factors including property issues. In response to a question from Commission Member Burke, Director Warren noted that they worked with the Department of State lands as they are often the owner of the land under the water. Commission members continued to discuss navigable waters and the roles of DSL.

Commission Member Reports:

Gary Burke, Umatilla: Commission Member Burke spoke about water rights and the Tribe's work on this important issue. The tribe is also working on a variety of economic endeavors, including the expansion of the Wildhorse Casino. The YellowHawk clinic has been completed and the school is set to done in the spring.

Senator Roblan: Senator Roblan spoke about upcoming legislation that he was working on, specifically SCR 31, and emphasized that he and other legislators on the commission are a resource to Tribes. He also spoke about his personal understanding about sovereignty and the different relationships each Oregon Tribe has with the Federal Government. Commission Members asked for clarification about the timelines on submitting bills. Senator Roblan explained the upcoming deadlines.

Brenda Meade, Coquille: Commission Member Meade thanked Senator Roblan for speaking about his role on the Commission and noted that she liked to consider her role and the work that needs to be done. Health care has been an important issue for the Coquille Tribe and they have embraced the DHAT program. Commission Member Meade expressed concern over support for the DHAT program. She also urged for the creation of an emergency management subcommittee of the public safety cluster.

Colt Gill, Director and April Campbell, Indian Education Advisor to Director, Oregon Department of Education

Director Gill introduced himself and thanked the Commission for the opportunity to present. April Campbell, Ramona Halcomb and Olivia Sparks also introduced themselves. Director Gill noted the incredible work done by the Tribes towards the implementation of SB 13. The department recognizes that this work is all about partnership. This presentation will show where they are at in the development. When SB 13 was introduced,

it received wide support in both the House and Senate, which showed the need for a statewide American Indian curriculum. Director Gill spoke about the timeline of the work since the bill was signed in 2017. SB 13 requires that they develop a curriculum with assistance from the Tribes. The lesson plans will be developed for grades 4, 8 and 10 across 5 different subject or content areas. They are hoping that the essential understanding is completed by Spring 2019. The curriculum being developed by Tribes is happening consecutively with a goal of June 2019. There is also a plan for professional development for the educators that will be teaching this curriculum. *Senator Roblan noted that they should speak with higher education about training new teachers. April Campbell noted that that they have already started these conversations with higher education and with the Teacher Standard Practice Commission.*

Director Gill noted that this will ultimately roll out to over 1200 schools. The project was funding with 2 million dollars and that allowed \$200,000 to each tribe to develop this set of lessons. There isn't a lot of space for funding of professional development, so they will have additional funding requests, with the hope that they can create additional grade-level curriculums and additional outreach.

Commission members discussed the impact this curriculum will have on native children. Directors Santos asked if there has been any opposition to the plan. April Campbell answered there has not been any real pushback. Director Gill noted that many don't necessarily know that it's coming, so there will be a lot of outreach in that regard. Senator Roblan spoke about possible topics of interest for inclusion such as first foods. April Campbell noted the SB 14 would be coming through, and if approved would put the American Indian education plan into law.

Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum

Attorney General Rosenblum introduced herself and thanked the Commission for the opportunity to be there today. She spoke about the Government-to-Government work of the department and noted that they share many common goals of the Tribes, including the safety of citizens. There are two main ways the Department interacts with Tribes, legal advisor to state agencies who work with Tribes and by implementing independent programs including child support enforcement, cultural resource enforcement, victim services and criminal prosecution. They seek to understand the Tribe's perspective whenever there is a disagreement between a Tribe and a State Agency.

Attorney General Rosenblum gave a few examples of their recent work. First, their healthcare attorneys have worked with the Umatilla Tribe regarding issues of civil commitments of the mentally ill. SB 297 address this. Second, their crime victim and survivors' services were able to award eight Tribes with non-competitive grants that will enhance tribal provision of services relating to child abuse, elder abuse, sex trafficking, domestic and sexual violence and general victim and survivor services. Third, the division of child support collected 6.2 million dollars of child support on behalf of Native American families in 2018. Attorneys with the department have advised client agencies on TERO and

have signed MOUs with tribes to allow Tribal participation on the State Fire Marshal's incident management teams during fire season. The Attorney General took a moment to recognize each Tribal leader and noted their sovereignty and distinct legal and political status. She also noted that they have been actively following *Brakeen v. Zinke*, a case that threatens Tribal sovereignty by attacking the Indian Child Welfare Act. Oregon, along with other western states are committed to supporting ICWA. They have also supported the defense of the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase Escalante Nation Monuments and are ready to defend Oregon's Monument if necessary. Their attorneys are also fighting for healthcare, education, protections for crime victims on campus and protections for immigrants. Legal teams have also taken on some of the largest opioid manufacturers. In this legislative session, a primary focus of the Department is mounting student debt. The Department also focuses on combatting fraud and scams. Ellen Clem, Director of Consumer Education and Outreach, meets with people all throughout the State to educate people so they won't fall victim to scams. The Attorney General then spoke about the "internet of things." HB 2395 would require they be more secure to protect user privacy. She also spoke about the task force which studied hate crime. They found that this is a growing problem. SB 577 with improve data collection and victim services. She ended by acknowledging several individuals in the Department who work with Tribes.

Commission members thanked the Attorney General for the Department's work to defend ICWA. They also discussed at length some of the issues surrounding cultural items and the legislation passed during the last session. It was noted that the Justice Department has now handled cases in which the DA did not prosecute. The Department also noted that it is important to notify them of instances where they could step in, as they will not necessarily be notified otherwise. Director Santos noted the Department's work on SB 290. He also mentioned the work being done on full faith and credit on Tribal court orders. The Attorney General ended by emphasizing that she is always happy to meet with Tribes anytime.

Oregon Department of Emergency Management:

Matt Marheine introduced himself as the Deputy Director of the Office of Emergency Management. Director Andrew Phelps was unable to attend due to a federal meeting. He thanked the Commission for the opportunity to present. They have recently updated their strategic plan and focused on broadening the capacity of the vision. It reads: "Established, equitable culture of preparedness that empowers Oregonians to thrive in times of crisis." The agency is less than 50 people and work within a budget of 2.3-million-dollars. They are also part of the Governor's emphasis on emergency management in her proposed budget. The office's responsibilities are defined under the ORS 401. The office works with all nine of the Tribes in Oregon and they know each Tribe's contact for emergency management.

They focus on coordinating the development of education, the establishment of capabilities and the providing of grant funds and resources to communities. One of the grants they administer is the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG). It is a 50/50 match program. They facilitate those funds to the communities in the state, including Tribes. In 2017 they had five Tribes apply for a total of \$290,000 for community programs. It pays for

staff to help focus on education initiatives. In 2018 eight Tribes participated for a total of \$357,500.

Another program they see a lot of engagement in statewide is the State Homeland Security Programs. They see about 3.5 million dollars being authorized to the State of Oregon for this program. Tribes are eligible to apply for that program. It is one hundred percent federally grant funded.

Deputy Director Marheine spoke about the State Preparedness and Incident Response Equipment (SPIRE) Grant. This is unfortunately not available to Tribes and would take a change to the law to make them eligible. However, they have abilities for communities to work together on individual projects, where tribes could benefit.

They have recently gone through a Secretary of State audit and they found that the Office of Emergency Management and the State of Oregon is not ready for a catastrophic event. This was a major catalyst for the Governor's focus on the department in her budget.

There are three separate sections in the office. Mitigation and recovery hope to make Oregon less impacted by a future event. Operations and preparedness will prepare the State with training and exercises for a future event. Operation deals with response and recovery facilitates programs when an event does occur. The 911 section helps facilitate all State resources that come in from the 911 tax.

The Oregon Resource Coordination Assistance Agreement is the statewide mutual aid program. In 2017 it forced all state, county, and local jurisdictions into a mutual aid agreement statewide and it also offered an opportunity for Tribes to sign on. The Cow Creek Tribe is the only Tribe today that is a partner.

Commission Member Meade noted ongoing discussion about the need for an emergency management cluster group and asked if the Agency participated in the Public Safety group and whether he felt there was room for a separate emergency management. Deputy Director Marheine answered that they do participate in the group and that they would always be willing to spend more time talking about emergency management. Commission Member Meade then asked about a Tribal Liaison position within the Agency. Deputy Director Marheine responded that they currently have a full-time employee who spends a portion of his time as a Tribal Liaison. Commission Meade noted that they have asked the Governor to add a full-time position. Tribes have been doing a lot of great work in their communities but could really use someone from the State who could coordinate some of the work that the Tribes are already doing. Commission Member Burke asked about what people could expect and prepare for regarding potential international issues, specifically missiles, as inhabitants of the west coast. Deputy Director Marheine responded that such events were not directly the responsibility of the State of Oregon and that they rely on Federal partners to communicate that to the responsible parties in each State that could be impacted. The agency focuses on how they would handle the impacts of an event, including organization of resources and facilitating evacuations. The Commission then discussed the

impact of train derailments and bills currently working through the legislature. Director Santos addressed the potential for a new cluster group and noted that the director to form a new group would come from the Commission.

Oregon State Capitol Foundation:

Director Santos Introduced Bruce Bishop, who was the first director of the Commission. With him were members of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation. Mr. Bishop spoke about his time with the Commission and how the photographs in the Treaty Room came to be there. Mr. Bishop is now on the board of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation and Kim Duncan is the Chair. The Foundation is in the position to support education and historical activities at the Capitol. He asked Ms. Duncan to discuss a new museum outreach program they are just beginning because there is an opportunity for the Tribes to participate. The program is an attempt to bring information about the State Capitol and history of Oregon's democracy all around the State. They believe that it's critical that small historical societies and regional museums have a presence in the Capitol. Museums such as Tamastskikt Cultural Institute would have the opportunity to come to the Capitol. There will be grant opportunities as part of the program.

Carina Miller, Tribal Council Member from the Warm Spring Tribe, offered comment about the newly formed Native American Caucus and their efforts of Native American engagement. Feedback from Tribal people has been that while they look for the positive, it's important to remember that there has been a lot of negative experience. There was discussion of the wearing of regalia and how people view Native Americans.

Chair Kennedy thanked the speakers for their presentation and noted that the Tribes have not often been at the table when things first began, so they appreciated the presentation and consultation.

NASA Presentation:

Ramona Halcomb, Indian Education Specialist for the Department of Education, introduced Robert Winglee, Professor at the University of Washington & Director, UW NASA Space Grant and Juan Carlos Chavez, Associate Director, Washington NASA Space Grant. She noted that many might remember that during the eclipse, NASA came out to work with Tribal youth. NASA has expressed that they want to follow up on that work. Ms. Halcomb noted how great it was to have them extend their work with Tribes.

Juan Carlos Chavez is from the Yakama Reservation and he introduced Robert Winglee. Mr. Winglee thanked the Commission for the opportunity to present. They are based in Washington and are funded through NASA to bring excitement about science to underserved communities in the North West. They are mandated to cover Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and will be moving to the Dakotas. Partners in Oregon include OMSI and the Oregon Institute of Technology. They have a variety of programs and are working with ATNI, who approved a resolution supporting the partnership. NASA is

learning that they need representation from the communities, people of the communities who understand sovereignty and self-determination. They focus on a “co-creation” model. They ask the communities what they’re interested in. They look at the communities’ story of STEM and then take a western story and create a parallel path.

This is their fourth year and have had 40,000 students participate across the region. 31% of the youth in the program are Native American. They have 5 staff members based in Washington and they have traveled as far south as Klamath Falls and east into Montana and South Dakota. They are working to increase the profile of what the youth can do in this co-creating model. They have created a program to use the event of the moon landing and today’s technology to create excitement. They use a modified drone to carry a replica of the Apollo lander onto a lunar landscape. For local communities, they have swapped out the map of the moon for a google map of their own communities which helps them understand the resources in their area. The youth can learn a variety of things with this project including programming.

They are working to develop relationships with the Oregon Tribes and are reaching out to the Coastal Tribes. They have a strong relationship with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and were able to submit a CTE grant for just under a half a million, which was successful. They have also worked with Umatilla on archery rocketry. They are following up on an Oregon State University RC car activity program at Grand Ronde. A person has been hired in Oregon to continue the relationships. The goal is to be of service, not say that it must be done in a certain way. They want to make these programs and skills accessible to the Native American population. The presentation ended with a video demonstration of one of the projects.

Commission members expressed interest in the programs. Chair Kennedy noted that she would like to see the Tribes work together on a project like this.

Commission Member Reports Cont.

Senator Hansell: Senator Hansell updated the Commission on a few bills that he thought would be of interest. SB 297 is a Tribal commitment bill that the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla asked to have submitted. He was approached about a scholarship bill, SB 312, where any Native American student graduated from an Oregon high school, would be able to attend an Oregon public university for in-state tuition. SB 293 is a scholarship bill, that builds on a previous bill which gave scholarships to medical school for students who return to rural areas. This bill gives those scholarships to students who return to a reservation.

Eric Hawley, Burns Paiute: Chair Hawley noted that the Tribe has been working on youth projects. They have just formed a youth council and the council has just passed their bylaws. The Tribe has just hired a new general manger. They also been working on elder and cultural programs.

Dee Pigsley, Siletz: Chair Pigsley noted that the Tribe just held elections. Incumbents were all reelected. Recently they have partnered with several organizations in Portland, including NARA and NAYA. A new apartment complex in Portland has dedicated space for Siletz Tribal members. She noted that she was pleased to hear the updates from the Education Department. Siletz has volunteered to host the next Oregon Tribes meeting and they are interested to hear what topics are proposed by the Tribes. They know that Chemawa will be a topic. Chair Pigsley also noted that she was pleased by the recent meeting with the Governor. Director Santos asked about issues surrounding Chemawa. Chair Pigsley responded that there are a variety of issues, including functionality and upkeep. Chair Kennedy noted that the funding is terrible. Commission Member Mercer spoke about her effort to connect with IHS with an offer to provide treatment to the students in need. Currently students experiencing these issues are sent home without treatment. Commission members continued to discuss the issues surrounding the school and possible solutions.

Austin Greene, Warm Springs: Chair Greene noted that he was attending the meeting on behalf of Commission Member Calica. He attended the meeting the Governor and was happy to have the opportunity for the discussion. Chairman Greene congratulated Chair Pigsley and noted that Warm Spring also had Tribal Council elections coming up in April. They will be meeting with the Attorney General later today to discuss issues concerning ground disturbance. The Tribe is hopeful about SB 13 and feel that it will be beneficial to their children. Warm Springs Tribal Council Member Carina Miller spoke to the commission about a bill focused on an ethnic study that has passed. This bill is a complete course load from kindergarten through high school. The bill will go hand in hand with the Tribal curriculum which is about Tribal history and stories. This bill will address the power structures, society and why things are the way they are now.

Dan Courtney, Cow Creek: The Tribe has just finished their budgeting process. They have also been working on their forest management plan for the 17,000 acres they received last year. Youth Council has been in operation for about two years. It is important to the Tribe, because these youth will be the future of the Tribe. On the business side, the Truck and Travel has recently undergone some updating of the traffic lanes. The new setup is much more user friendly. The Tribe is also working on issues related to law enforcement.

Director Santos noted that the agenda calls for an election of officers. Chair Kennedy asked the Commission for a show of hands of those who would like to vote today. The Commission voted to hold elections at the next meeting.

Cheryle Kennedy, Grand Ronde: Chair Kennedy noted the housing is a wide spread issue and that the Tribe is dealing with several housing issues. Homelessness is an issue not just for Tribal members around Grand Ronde, but also members in other areas. The Tribe has worked on elder housing and has broken ground on 38 housing units for elders. They next want to work on housing units for veterans. They are working with the VA and with the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs. They have hired a new economic development director, who has previously worked with the Tribe in a few areas. Education is a real

concern. Education of children is extremely important as they are the future. Council asked Tribal members for an advisory vote from members to see if they could possibly change the constitution. One of the votes was a budgetary one around education. The want to have budget set aside for members who want trade/technical training instead of traditional academic education. It overwhelmingly passed.

Jackie Mercer: Commission Member Mercer expressed her thanks to the Commission, for their support. At the last meeting the Commission Member Mercer expressed concern about a brewpub that was taking over a space next door to a NARA residential treatment facility. This would have been extremely problematic. In the end the OLCC wouldn't allow the brewpub to open. No alcohol or marijuana would be allowed in the complex for the duration of NARA's lease. Commission Member Mercer then updated the Commission on the activities of the Health Cluster Group. She handed out information about an Indian Management Care Entity which would be unique among the States. It is an agreement between the State and the Tribes. It would essential take the program they already have with Care Oregon up to the next level. It is a great opportunity and it is a work in progress. Commission Member Mercer spoke about their efforts to help the kids that are coming to them with enormous amounts of trauma, including family issues.

Lottery Video featuring CTUIR water:

Commission Members viewed a video that was produced by Oregon Lottery in partnership with OWEB and the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla.

Oregon State Hospital Museum:

Kathryn Dysart, President of the Board of Directors: Ms. Dysart thanked the Commission for the opportunity to present. She introduced Board Member, Denny Brooks. The museum operated on the campus of the hospital but is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. They were formed eight years ago, and the museum has been open for six and half years. To date 24,000 people have visited the museum. Ms. Dysart spoke about the book, "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," and the main protagonist Chief Bromden, who is a Native American Man gone silent because of society's treatment of Native American People. The book is about institutional overreach and subjugation of the individual. Because the museum seeks every opportunity to teach about mental health, they have delved into the book. An early board member, Cynthia Prader, PSYD, was both a clinician and a Cherokee, she recognized Bromden in her work as coordinator of Native American Services at Oregon State Hospital. Her mentor and OSH consultant was a Chehalis Tribal elder who brought native healing ceremonies to patients at OSH and helped others understand the concept of being small in a dominant culture. They helped introduce the clinical construct of intergenerational trauma at the hospital.

Interest in the book and movie provides an opportunity to talk to students about intergenerational trauma and how Natives have suffered at the hand of dominant white society. This is often news to the people who come through the museum. No one has talked

to them about cultural appropriate or genocide. When they hear about how trauma informed patient care can put patients in charge of their own healing by supporting the practices and choice that are natural to them, they begin to understand that even institutional bullying can be recovered from. Teachers often report that students open up about their own mental health challenges or those of family. Mental illness affects everyone.

The museum's mission is to educate visitors, challenge stereotypes and stigma and preserve the historic record. They do this through exhibitions and programs outside of the museum. The project that the Museum would like to undertake is to greatly expand their offerings about Native history and trauma. Former board member and LCIS Member, Dee Pigsley, has encouraged and supported this direction. They are interested in enlarging Bromden's story by creating an exhibit and supporting curriculum that can delve into the issues of intergenerational trauma in Native populations. They hope that the exhibit would travel throughout Oregon and perhaps even farther.

Though they have access to mental health research, they do not want to tell this story without ensuring Native Voices are present. The purpose of this presentation is to ask for guidance and participation from Oregon's Nine Tribes.

Chair Kennedy stated that Tribes know and carry with them tremendous trauma and memories of what was done to their people. Native Americans of the United States have suffered more trauma than the Jewish Holocaust and it is never talked about from that point of view. She asked if the presentation might contain that information because it is important for Americans to learn that just because you don't talk about it, doesn't erase the atrocities. She asked if there would be enough help for individuals who would be triggered by the information presented at the museum. Would the project have an internal review board and remedy available? Ms. Dysart says that they deal with triggers all the time. The museum is primarily open to the public in the afternoons, but they do tours in the mornings and set aside private time for current patients. She hopes that the Commission, either collectively or individually, will become partners and help to guide the process so they present everything about Native Trauma in a manner that is conducive to exposing the truth and helping people find comfort and solution. The project is not yet designed, it only exists in the minds of the Board. They want Native partners at the table so that they are not culturally insensitive or create triggers for which remedies are unavailable. If they do create a traveling exhibition and it visits a tribal area, they would be reliant on whatever service are available there should someone be triggered.

The Commission discussed various aspects of the project and shared their own thoughts on topics related to the project. Director Santos asked Commission Members how best the Commission could assist. Ms. Dysart discussed ways in which consulting the Commission could help while pointing out the universality of the issue. Ultimately the project needs funding and a letter of support from the Commission would help in that regard. Chair Kennedy noted that the Commission could provide a letter.

The Commission ended the meeting by discussing the search for a new Executive Director. Commission Members have been reviewing resumes and will schedule interviews in the upcoming weeks.

Chair Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.