

AMERICAN INDIAN COMMUNITY HOUSE
Minutes: Board of Director's Meeting
October 16, 2008

Present: Lawrence Ahenakew, Chairman; Terry Jones, Secretary; Joseph Kabance, George Stonefish, Soni Moreno, Frances Hopson
Absent: Harlan Pruden, Treasurer; Marta Carlson, Maehki El-Issa, Katherine Fogden
Staff: Anthony Hunter, Interim Executive Director; Marianne Appa
Guest: Naima Chisolm and Kevin Quist of BTQ, Ben Geobe

The quorum of 6 Board Members having being met, Lawrence Ahenakew called the meeting to order at 7:10pm with a prayer.

BTQ FINANCIAL: Ms. Naima Chisolm, presented the Board with a June 2008 Financial Report along with a Statement of Financial Position for the Fiscal year ending 06/30/08.

- The next payment to the Department of Labor will be due on November 15, 2008 in the amount of \$13,500.00.
- George requested that that BTQ consider changing the coding to reflect a new fiscal year, especially for the Gallery transition.

BOARD MINUTES CORRECTIONS:

- No Changes were made.

MOTION to accept the Minutes of August 14, 2008, as is **MOM:** Frances Hopson: 2nd: Terry Jones. **Passed unanimously.**

BUILDING COMMITEE: Marta Carlson was not present to give a report.

- Joseph Kabance offered to assist Marta.
- Lawrence Ahenakew suggested investigating the possibility to starting an Indian Economic Development program.

HONORING THE SPIRIT: Lawrence Ahenakew, Chairperson discussed the event in the absence of the Harlan Pruden.

- The board agreed to a meeting on October 23, 2008 to discuss details of the event.
- Lawrence Ahenakew will make available fundraising letter and donation letters to the board.
- The board was questioning if BTQ financial is able to draw up financials regarding donations for a window of time.

POTENTIAL BOARD MEMBER: Lawrence Ahenakew, Chairperson presented Mr. Benjamin Geboe as a person of interest to become a member of the board.

- Mr. Geboe has been a former employee of the health department.

- Mr. Geboe is currently working as an Administrator for NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation. He will be able to offer insight on topics such as contracts, mock audits, and social services.

MOTION to accept Mr. Ben Geboe as an interim board member until the next elections in January 2009. **MOM:** George Stonefish: 2nd: Frances Hopson. **Passed unanimously.**

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT: Anthony hunter, IED, gave a verbal update on AICH's current situations.

- Anthony Hunter presented the Board with a Cash Flow Loan Application to sign.
- Anthony Hunter will start to process the paperwork for the Department of Labor payment early next week.

HIV/AIDS:

- Due to the economic crisis the state is currently modifying grants at a rate of 2.5%.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

- Phoebe Mills is currently looking to hire a Behavioral Health Case Manager. Ms. Mills is the Program Coordinator and previously submitted a monthly report to the Board.
- I.H.S. Site review will take place on November 18, 2008. The Board and BTQ will need to make arrangements to be available.

WIA:

- Ms. LaTanya Hutchins presented the board with a monthly report regarding program services and changes.

MOTION to allow Anthony Hunter to submit an emergency loan application to the Fund for the City of New York in the amount of \$215,000.00. **MOM:** Terry Jones: 2nd: George Stonefish. **Passed unanimously.**

TOPICS TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING:

- 708 Security Deposit
- Daniel Lara HSBC Access
- Merrill Lynch fundraiser of 9/25/08
- Updated Community Letter
- January 2009 Annual Meeting
- Signatory Designation

The next meeting will occur on November 14, 2008 @ 6:00pm.

There being no further business,

MOTION TO ADJOURN, 9:32 PM: MOM: Ben Geboe 2nd: Soni Moreno **Passed unanimously**

Submitted by: Marianne Appa for Terry Jones, Secretary

FINAL MINUTES APPROVED JANUARY 15, 2009