

Title VI Indian Education Parent Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2021

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Agenda Items

- I. Call to Order – meeting called to order at 6:06pm
- II. In attendance:
 - a. Rebecca LaClaire, President, CMS Parent
 - b. Brandon Lowery, Vice President, CMS Parent
 - c. Susie Baker, Secretary, CMS Parent
 - d. Deirdre Mallow, CMS Parent
 - e. Jessica Strickland, CMS Parent
 - f. Stacey Moretti, D&I Office Representative
- III. Action Items
 - a. Heritage Month Events
 - i. Poster Contest
 1. Committee determined the dates of the contest: 9/20/21 – 10/20/21, with selection of the winners occurring directly thereafter. Contest rules will remain the same, updated with new dates. Winners will be selected by the committee the week of October 25. Stacey will set up a Zoom meeting and share with the committee. Winners will receive gift baskets and MNAA agreed to provide gift cards as well.
 2. CMS will request a blast be included in CMS Insider, which goes out to all CMS staff. We will work with Fine Arts team to share opportunity with our Art teachers and staff. Additionally, CMS Communications team will share via CMS official social media accounts, main webpage and CMS Insider, an internal communication tool.
 3. Attached is an updated poster contest flyer and contest rules for committee review.
 - ii. Heritage Month Flyer being updated now. Will send to committee for review and approval.
 - b. Student Opportunities for 2021-2022
 - i. MNAA will host an authors' roundtable. Ms. LaClaire will share information as appropriate.
 - ii. Stacey will research teaching and student resources from last year and update. Information will be included on the updated Heritage Month flyer for committee approval.
 - iii. MNAA – will be providing scholarships for students. Ms. LaClaire will share as information becomes available.
- IV. Announcements
 - a. UNC Chapel Hill Admissions Webinar
 - i. Waiver of SAT/ACT – not required for admission. Students can include scores if they want, but it is not required.
 - ii. Paperless application process
 - iii. Deadlines:

1. Early Admission: October 15, decisions late January
2. Regular Admission: January 15, decisions late March
3. Transfers: February 15, decisions mid-April
- iv. Scholarships are now available for transfer students (small number)
- b. Native American College Fair 2021
 - i. October 8, 2021
 1. Web-based fair via Facebook: [Facebook.com/nativeamericancollegefair](https://www.facebook.com/nativeamericancollegefair)
 2. The 2021 Native American College Fair will provide information regarding colleges, universities, financial aid opportunities, and pre-college programs, as well as videos from current Native college students and professionals, and a panel on food sovereignty & sustainability

V. Discussion

- a. Ms. LaClaire will share Heritage Month opportunities as they come up.
- b. Committee would like to know the official number of students as soon as it's available.
- c. Parent committee expressed concern about identifying students to participate in the program. All committee members are concerned about how the 506 form is shared with parents. The current process was discussed, and the committee asked how we can contact students directly to ensure we are counting every student possible. Ms. LaClaire re-iterated the request for a Native person to be hired with the grant funds or COVID funding to manage the grant program.
- d. 506 Form attached to the minutes for committee use.
- e. Flyer that was shared in end-of-year gift bags can be updated to communicate the program and 506 form with parents. CMS Communications will work with D&I Office to communicate program information via social media, website and other appropriate methods. Stacey will update the flyer to focus on how to enroll in the program and share with committee.
- f. MNAA has book bags of school supplies
- g. Committee discussed using a US mail blast.
- h. Discussion of the increase in Native population based on the census. Ms. LaClaire will share the information with CMS.
- i. Committee expressed thoughts of getting together in person in the spring if possible.
- j. Via Chat from Ms. Mallow: <http://united-tribes.org/indianunityconference/>

VI. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 7:05pm

Attachments: Poster Contest Flyer, Contest Rules