

# **Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians**

## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING/BAYFIELD SCHOOL BOARD**

April 20, 2016

5:00 p.m. at Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bryan Bainbridge at 5:00 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Bryan Bainbridge, Present  
Nathan Gordon, Present  
Laura J. Gordon, Present  
Krystle Topping, Present  
Quorum

Marvin Defoe, Present  
Jeanne Gordon, Present  
Steven Boyd, Present  
Chris Boyd, Present  
Daniel Duffy, Present

Also in attendance: Wade Williams, Red Cliff Assistant Attorney, Bayfield School Board, Dave Aslyn, Bayfield Superintendent, and Community members.

### **AGENDA**

Steven Boyd moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Krystle Topping. Motion carried.

### **OPENING CEREMONY/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Opening Ceremony was performed by Buffalo Bay Singers and prayer by Marvin Defoe.

### **MOU DISCUSSION**

The new school board members were congratulated.

Discussion about the MOU between the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and the Bayfield School District, which is dated April, 2012.

Discussion regarding the Director of Pupil Services (which is currently a part-time position) and the importance of this position to be full-time. At least 80% of the school district is native children. Chairman Bryan Bainbridge expressed the need to reconsider this as well as hiring more staff. There was discussion about funding for these changes to positions as they are not in the Bayfield School District's budget.

Chairman Bryan Bainbridge read a letter that was given to him by a parent of an autistic native child from our community. There have been incidences of unnecessary restraining this child which left bruising.

It was agreed by both the Tribal Council and the Bayfield School Board that there has to be a joint collaboration that is in everyone's best interest. At the next meeting goals will be presented to work on together.

Sandy Raspotnik presented the evaluation timeline and the IEP process. She also supplied a chart showing the Special Education Leadership FTE and Roles.

Jeff Gordon presented a general overview of the Bayfield MS/HS/ES PBIS plan, which has already been implemented. It is a small grant the school received to provide a proactive approach to school-wide discipline. All staff are trained during orientation and have been working hard to reinforce the Strive for Five values in each classroom.

Attendance is up from the past few years and is almost at the 93%.

2013-2014 90.61%

2014-2015 91.24%

2015-2016 92.32%

The increase is due to the truancy agreement established in 2012 as well as the collaboration of services between the county and the Tribe. School suspensions are under 40 per year which is down significantly from 2008 with 275.

Dr. David Aslyn announced the fifth annual May Term, formerly known as Water Week. It will be on May 23-27, 2016.

The Tribal Council would like to show appreciation to the girls basketball team for all their hard work and cooperation. They would like to honor them on May 3, 2016 at Legendary Waters.

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday August 17, 2016.

#### **ADJOURN**

Steven Boyd moved to adjourn. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Ashley Peterson  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council