

**SIP Presidential Trio Meeting
Minutes
January 27, 2023
1530-1900(ET)**

Attendees: BJ Boyd, Maria Crouch, Joseph Patrick Gone, Iva GreyWolf, Tina Lincourt

1. The SIP Presidential Trio Meeting convened at 1630 ET via zoom.
2. Agenda Items
 - a. Welcome
 - i. Joe opened the meeting at 1600 ET. He discussed the transition of duties to BJ and other duties.
 - b. Bank Transition.
 - i. The Native American bank needed the location of our organization as a state organization. Need to file state of delinquency and pay \$100 fee and need to file our articles of incorporation. BJ to need to connect with Chris to rectify the situation.
 - ii. Iva suggested a turnover document from all positions.
 - iii. Iva advised that she needs to identify who is managing the Steve Fund and how it is to progress in the future.
 - c. Midwinter Meeting Review
 - i. Thirty-two attendees, approximately ten percent of the membership attended. The confusion at the beginning due to the late start of the zoom. It was highlighted that additional students and members from Alaska were in attendance. It was a very efficient meeting and ended early.
 - ii. The zoom meeting started late due to a mistake on Tina's part with setting up the time zone correctly and not being online at the correct time.
 - d. Elections Outreach
 - i. Deadlines have been determined and Joe will announce the positions. Joe encouraged the trio to identify individuals who may be interested in serving in these capacities.
 - e. Website Content Manager
 - i. Offered the position to Brenda and advised other applicants of the decision. Brenda will receive \$250/month for the work. BJ and Maria may want to meet with Brenda to discuss needs. Joe recommended that we work to keep the website simple enough to be able to easily update.
 - ii. The Bear Lake center may not be reserved yearly for the SIP convention. The retreat may be at various locations and may need to be updated on the website annually.
 - f. Membership Issues

- i. Currently, our membership chair will be the President of Division 45 and will need to transition the position. Iva suggested that Angela is invited to the position. Suggests that the organization moves to a calendar year payment rotation.
 - ii. ListServ messages appear to still be inconsistent for some. This could be due to PayPal emails vs. emails requested for the ListServ.
- g. Scholarships & Awards
- i. Iva had advertised some scholarships on the ListServ and announced but the Steve Fund is still in question. The Duff Gerrish fund has been organized and will be sent from the Native American Bank and can receive \$250 by applicant once annually until the fund (\$10,500) is depleted. The list of students have been sent to the treasurer.
 - ii. The Rob Rimer fund is available and sent to the listserv and there are currently two people on the committee. Perhaps a past recipient or past president would be able to serve.
 - iii. Doug was identified to receive the elder award. Joe encouraged the team to continue to think about other elders to award.
 - iv. Iva does have some assistance for the awards, however the awards committee could use more help. We will need to know the decision from APA prior to planning how many blankets will be needed for the awards. It was suggested that we order additional blankets to have on hand in case there are last minute honors.
 - v. Melissa takes care of the keynote gift.
- h. Convention Prep
- i. Considering changing the format to a morning of ceremony and moving the business meeting to Sunday afternoon, after the retreat.
 - ii. Awards will commence in the business meeting.
 - iii. Keynote speakers will be identified and perhaps we can address the panels during the EC to forward to Melissa Tehee to consider.
- i. Four Directions Ceremony
- i. Leah Rouse, Tracey from Alaska, Carolyn Morse and the Fosters have expressed interest in assisting with the ceremony. It was suggested that this would be the committee. Identifying and selecting healers from the four directions within five months may pose a challenge due to the time-constraints. Iva will gather the committee together and advise the Trio of the direction the committee is going. Transportation, travel, and lodging will need to be coordinated.
 - ii. Iva advised that wiping of tears, regardless of regardless of the APA apology issuance status.

iii. It was suggested that convention planning start in October vice January to increase opportunity to secure speakers.

j. Facebook Update

i. Maria has reached out to multiple LDI fellows to highlight on the Facebook page. Working to post things at least once per week to ensure that content is consistent and stays in the feed.

k. LDI Applicants

l. It was suggested that BJ identify individual(s) to apply for the LDI since he will be working with them. Joe and Iva both suggested individuals apply.

m. Adjourn

i. Meeting adjourned at 1647 ET.

3. Action Items:

a. Joe

- Email Angela and invite her to take the SIP Membership position.
- Ask Melissa Tehee if we can store additional blankets for awards at USU with her.
- Email Jacque Gray to invite her to serve on the Rob Rimer committee.
- Lead discussion at the EC regarding panel suggestions/ideas.

b. Iva

- Email award categories that have been used in the past to the Trio.
- Request that the treasurer release funds to the student recipients of the Gerrish fund.
- Reach out to the committee for the Four Directions Ceremonies and will assist the team. Coordinate with Tina to set up zoom for the committee. Report activities back to the Trio.

c. BJ

- Connect with Christ regarding bank documentation.
- Request that the treasurer release funds from the BoA account until the issues with the Native American Bank is online.

d. Maria

- Post on Facebook SIP Business page once a week.

e. Tina

- Contact zoom helpline to gain access for the trio members to zoom.
- Set up zoom for Four Directions Ceremony Committee as advised.

4. Next Meeting

a. The next Trio meeting will be 10 February 2023 at 1530 ET.