

**MINUTES OF THE
OKLAHOMA ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INDIAN EDUCATION (OACIE)
REGULAR MEETING FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2019
OCTOBER 23, 2019, 10:00 A.M.**

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (BOARD OF EDUCATION ROOM)
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73105

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Lucyann Harjo

Chair Lucyann Harjo called the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education meeting to order at 10:08 A.M. The purpose of the regular meeting is to meet “at least quarterly” provided by 70 O.S. § 3-173(D) per Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education Act.

2. Meeting Quorum

(A) ROLL CALL:

Present: Lucyann Harjo, Jim Parrish, Lori Hamilton, Mary McCormick, Paul Pinkerton, Robert Bible, Shoshana Wasserman, Cori Gray, Annette Long, Julian Guerrero, Todd Crabtree; 11 present

Absent: Jana Roth, David Walkingstick, Judy Davis, Rhonda Hayworth, Lisa John, Greg Anderson, Esther Bell; 7 absent

(B) GUESTS: Lisa Nelson – Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE), Kida Upshaw – Coordinator for Office of American Indian Education, Debbie Downing – Guest, Danny Wells – Chickasaw Nation, Monty Guthrie – Deputy Superintendent Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE), Cindy Koss – OSDE;

(C) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HOST

Chair Harjo thanked the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) for serving as the host for the regular meeting of the fourth quarter of 2019.

3. State Superintendent Remarks

Deputy Superintendent Monty Guthrie

Guest Guthrie, proxy for State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister, welcomed everyone and thanked the council for being able to be a part of the quarterly Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education meeting and the partnership between tribal leaders and nations across Oklahoma. *Guest Guthrie* spoke about several upcoming events that OSDE is excited to be a part of. OSDE co-hosted the State Indian Education Conference (SIECON), July 31-August 1, 2019 at the Oklahoma State University- Oklahoma Memorial Union. Over 200 Indian education professionals convened and brought forth a presence from the US Department of Education Office of Indian Education and the Bureau of Indian Education. August 6th the Oklahoma Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Council shared transition resources regarding the individual career and academic plan (ICAP) completion for American Indian students with disabilities and/or disparities and highlighted the successful practices such as those presented by Robin Counts from the Choctaw Nation Career Development and step program. *Guest Guthrie* reiterated that on August 7, 2019, a clarification letter was sent to the Bureau of Indian Education on student count. This preliminary report is important to capturing an accurate count in regard to the National

Johnson O'Malley modernization. *Guest Guthrie* also reported on August 26th, Chickasaw Nation Regional State Tribal Education Partnership (STEP) workshop that highlighted American Indian ICAP Resources and strategies in conjunction with the Colorado State Department of Education and their ICAP model. The final update *Guest Guthrie* shared was the October 7, 2019, Student Success Summit with a keynote presentation by Dr. Chan Hellman from the University of Oklahoma geared toward the science of hope. *Council Chair Harjo* followed up with congratulatory words to *Councilmember Guerrero* on his board seat with the National Indian Education Association. *Council Chair Harjo* also mentioned the Hope Squad in Anadarko winning the Children's Health award addressing student suicides. Anadarko schools received funding to aid in students who experience trauma and to help them be successful in the classroom.

4. (Action) Discussion to approve or disapprove OACIE minutes for Regular Meeting on July 24, 2019 (Q3) Open Floor

Councilmember Hamilton made a motion to approve the minutes, with a second from *Councilmember Pinkerton*. Voice vote conducted; *MOTION CARRIED 10 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, 1 IN THE ABSTENTION (10-0-1)*

5. (Action) Proposed 2020 OACIE Regular Meeting Calendar Open Floor

Councilmembers discussed meeting dates for 2020. The original dates discussed were February 19, April 15, July 22, and October 28. *Councilmember Parrish* suggested that the dates should be later in the month to give time for legislative sessions to come to an end. *Councilmembers* agreed that the dates should be moved to the last Wednesday of the month. *Councilmember Crabtree* made a motion to approve the new 2020 meeting dates: February 26, April 29, July 29, and October 28, with a second from *Councilmember Pinkerton*. Voice vote conducted; *MOTION CARRIED 11 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, 0 IN THE ABSTENTION (11-0-0)*

6. (Action) Discussion and vote on or elect the 2020 OACIE Officers Open Floor

Chair Harjo opened up the floor to elect new or retain current officers. Councilmembers agreed that the officers that are in place should retain their positions. *Councilmember Wasserman* made a motion to retain current officers, with a second from *Councilmember Pinkerton*. *Councilmember Guerrero* was away briefly, and vote was abstained. Voice vote conducted; *MOTION CARRIED 10 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, 1 IN THE ABSTENTION (10-0-1)*

7. Discussion of current issues, goals, and updates related to American Indian students

(a) Oklahoma Career Technology Education (CTE) Presentation Cori Gray

Councilmember Gray presented information about CTE and the role they play with state partnerships with various Tribal Nations across the state of Oklahoma. *Councilmember Gray* also touched on the opportunities that are available for students, parents, and adults at every level within CTE. Councilmember Gray shared that career tech has 29 technology centers, 58 campuses across the state, and they are in over 394 K-12 school districts. *Councilmember Gray* shared a video that previewed more information in regard to what career technology centers offer.

Councilmember Gray touched on a few points from the career tech video and how excited they are to work with student and some of their partners like SDE and Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. *Councilmember Gray* stated that CTE currently has over 155,000 students in career tech programs and reiterated how involved they are in the individual career and academic plan (ICAP) process. CTE has initialized an online program through career advisement called Galaxy. *Councilmember Gray* expressed how the program combines games, activities and experiences for today's tech-savvy learners, and is accessible from laptops, desktops and tablets for preK-5 students. *Councilmember Gray* plans to bring material to the Federal Programs conference and give information to the council on Native student demographics that are attending career techs across Oklahoma.

**(b) Oklahoma Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Presentation
& Support Strategy Input**

Julian Guerrero

Councilmember Guerrero addressed the council and presented resources related to the efforts being made in pushing the JOM student counts and posed a question to the council on input in making consultation and the direction the council could go on supporting the JOM program. *Councilmember Guerrero* touched on the JOM Supplemental Indian Education Program Modernization Act. This bill requires the Department of the Interior to annually update the number of Indian students eligible for the JOM Program. The JOM Program awards contracts to tribal organizations, schools, states, and others to educate Indian students. Under the program, the contract amounts are based on the number of students served. *Councilmember Guerrero* updated the council on the new requirements of the Modernization ACT which includes an updated accurate count on Indian students that are eligible for JOM Programs and conducting consultation on the most applicable and accurate data examining multiple data sources (U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Education/National Center on Education Statistics and data from current contractors). The next steps would be to have coordinated consultation and collaboration with tribal nations who have existing JOM programs, community-based organizations (NJONA, OJOM), and initiating a formal effort to gather more accurate age count estimates from tribal enrollment offices (ages 3-18/disaggregated by state of residence). *Councilmember Guerrero* stated the goal would be to have comprehensive validation of Bureau of Indian Education finalized figures as reported to Congress no later than December 31 and to better triangulate tribal enrollment figures against USDI-BIE Dataset, OSDE-WAVE, USDE-OIE Dataset (e.g., JOM Count, WAVE Count, ED506 Count). OSDE plans to have JOM program information available at the Federal Programs conference to make schools aware of the Modernization Act and push the importance of capturing those student counts. *Chair Harjo* asked the council how they can offer aide in assisting OSDE and *Councilmember Guerrero* in pushing forward the effort in speaking with Tribal enrollment offices and schools on actual student counts are validated. *Councilmember Guerrero* asked the council if they have any information, Tribal enrollment officer's information, to please forward that information. *Councilmember Wasserman* asked if a resolution letter be formed to give to Tribal Nations/Leadership in regard to counts.

(f) Public Comment (NONE)

Open Floor

(g) Closing Remarks

Open Floor

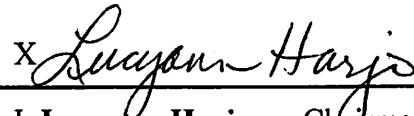
Chair Harjo proposed that items c, d, and e and new business be added to the next calendar meeting for the advisory council due to loss of quorum with the councilmembers McCormick and Bible excusing themselves. *Councilmember Crabtree* made a motion to table discussion items until the next meeting, with a second from *Councilmember McCormick*. *MOTION CARRIED 10 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, and 0 IN THE ABSTENTION (10-0-0)*. Next Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

(h) (Action) Adjournment

Open Floor

Councilmember Wasserman made a motion to adjourn, with a second from *Councilmember Pinkerton*. By a unanimous voice vote, the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE) adjourned official business at 11:54 pm. *MOTION CARRIED 10 IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, 0 IN THE OPPOSITION, AND 0 IN THE ABSTENTION (10-0-0)*.

Minutes provided by the Oklahoma State Department of Education: Office of American Indian Education (Kida Upshaw), on behalf of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education on 10/23/2019 and were PASSED (*passed/rejected*) on FEBRUARY 26, 2020.

 X *Lucyan Harjo*

I, **Lucyan Harjo**, as Chairman of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE) hereby certify these minutes to be true and accurate as approved by the Councilmembers who were present, in official quorum as provided by Oklahoma State Statute.