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## Familiar Names Tied To Lower Brule Federal Money Misuse

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A new report from the US Department of Justice indicates over 1.3 million dollars in federal grant money was spent on unallowable costs on the Lower Brule Reservation.

According to Arvind Ganesan from Human Rights Watch, two familiar names Scott Westerhuis and Stacy Phelps, were also a part of the flow of money...

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According to Ganesan, the late Tribal Chairman Michael Jandreau and his ruling majority have held power for more than 30 years. He says the financial dealings were undisclosed while education, safe water and other programs that were to be financed through grant money clearly suffered.

Jandreau was also a board member of Mid Central Educational Cooperative. Jandreau died one year ago on Easter weekend amid allegations of misconduct with the Tribal Council. Three new council members were elected on a platform of transparency. The council abruptly stopped all meetings following the election of the new members.

--Story made possible by Beth Warden, KSOO News Director

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