



LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE MINUTES October 4, 2017

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council Meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on October 4, 2017. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Boyd Gourneau at 10:12 AM.

The Opening Prayer was led by Darrell Middletent.

Chairman Gourneau dedicated the prayer and a moment of silence in honor of Tribal Member Rose McCauley who made her journey. We will start a tradition of dedicating our opening prayer to any of our members that have passed on in previous month.

Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council Members Present:

Chairman Boyd Gourneau

Vice-Chairman Darrell Middletent

Secretary/Treasurer Orville Langdeau Jr.

Council Member Clyde Estes

Council Member Donnie Moore

Council Member John McCauley (absent)

Also Present:

Security-Bob Merritt

Tribal Manager -Lee Brennan

BIA – Superintendent Mr. James Two Bulls/Reality Christy Wolf

LB Tribal Attorney -Tara Adamski

Personnel Manager-Wilma Wilson/Josie Skunk

Program Specialist -Roquel Gourneau

School-Lance Witte/Devon Riter

Circles of Care-Kylee Estes

1. **Approve to Close September Tribal Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to close the September 2017 Tribal Council Meeting.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote being: Darrell Middletent for, Orville Langdeau Jr. for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

2. **Approve September 2017 Minutes**

Motion was made by Darrell Middletent to approve the September Minutes.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

3. **Approve Attorney Contract-Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the Attorney Contract with Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP to pursue claims to recover contract support costs promised but never paid to the Tribe by the United States and its agencies.

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

4. **Authorize the Lower Brule Corporation to submit an application for a Tribal Energy Development Capacity Grant**

Motion was made by Darrell Middletent to authorize the Lower Brule Corporation to submit an application for a Tribal Energy Development Capacity Grant.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

5. School Status Report-October 2017

September 28, 2017

The School year is going well. We are nearing the end of our 1st quarter. The enrollment continues to grow. New teachers and programs are driving a very positive environment.

Curriculum and Instruction

- We have completed NWEA Map testing with all students. We reviewed NWEA reading and math data on Wednesday, September 13th, during our in-service. We set grade levels and individual goals with students. I have attached data sheet showing Spring NWEA Map testing results. NWEA Map Testing is required by the BIE to be conducted three times per academic year as part of their accountability program. The data show progress for students progressing through our school annually: EXAMPLE

Grade Level	Spring 2014/25	Spring 2015/16	Spring 2016/17
KG,1,2	151.1	178.0	192.0

In large majority of grade levels, we have seen continued improvements annually.

- We will hold Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday, October 19th.
- I have written for the Educational Enhancement Grant for approximately \$146,000. The focus of this plan is curriculum enhancements, interventions, and reliable technology to support these programs.
- The Lower Brule Science Research Institute will begin construction of the high tunnel hoop structure for its garden in the coming days. We have been working with Ms. Whitney Nordvold and Mr. Darrel Duvall from the USDA to assist in our gardening project and arranging contractors and garden beds once it is constructed. Our shop class will be involved again in constructing the beds.
- We have started our Agriculture Class, which is focused on poultry at this point (please see attached Sheet). We are excited to be providing our students these hands-on courses in the area of Career and Technical Education (CTE).

Enrollment and Staffing

- Lower Brule Schools enrollment is at 320 students.
 - October 1st, 2014 – 211 students
 - October 1st, 2015 – 267 students
 - October 1st, 2016 – 293 students
 - October 1st, 2017 – 320 students
- We are pleased to see these increases in enrollment. With this comes some challenges, we have 35 students in grades KG, 9th, and 10th which has required us to hire some additional staff and get very creative with scheduling. Also, we have approximately 50 middle school students, we have shifted middle school classrooms to the portables for core content classes, creating a separation from the high school. We have staggered lunchtime for MS and HS students as we cannot accommodate all of the students at one time in the lunchroom. With this increased enrollment, we have seen an increase in the number of SPED students.
- Mr. Johnson is serving as the MS/HS Principal again this year, by making this appointment and not hiring a MS/HS Principal, there will be savings of an (estimated cost of MS/HS Principal \$65,000 plus fringe = \$100,000).

Activities

- Athletic Teams are having a successful fall. All teams are young comprised of many underclassmen. They are performing admirably. The football team currently stands with a 3-3 record. Our volleyball team has been very successes throughout the year. The volleyball teams and cross country teams will be competing this weekend at the Fall LBI.
- Basketball teams are hosting open gyms in preparation for the upcoming season.

Facilities

- We are hoping our facility funding arrives soon, as we still have many outstanding items that need to be addressed.
- Gymnasium floor will redone at the center circles as Wyoming Floors violated copyright as the Indian motif that was placed center court, which was copyrighted by Wyoming Indian School.

Lance L. Witte – Superintendent of Schools

Approve Local Education Agency (LEA) Assurances – Lower Brule Day School to be signed by Chairman Gourneau

6. Approve Performance Contract Agreement-High Tunnel Kit-High School

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the performance Contract Agreement-High Tunnel Kit for the High School garden project-which went through the bid process.

Chosen contractor was the low bidder.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

7. Approve Circles of Care Program Request-Purchase & Placement 3 Billboards

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the request from the Circles of Care Program to purchase three billboards and the placement of the billboards.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

8. Approve Elderly Director Dewayne Goodface Request for Compensation for Elderly Meals Delivery (if the funds Are Available And Allowable In His Budget)

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the request from Elderly Director Dewayne Goodface for compensation for delivery of elderly meals (if the funds are available and allowable in his budget).

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting

9. **Authorize Wildlife Program Purchase of Three Items**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the request from the Wildlife Program to purchase the following: 1. John Deer Tractor 2. Traveler Sprinkler System 3. Tree Planter (each going with the lowest bidder after the bid process was completed).

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

Info from the Wildlife Program - the CRP emergency haying project has been completed. Haying was made available to all Tribal Land Operators; 13 operators participated including the Farm Corporation. A total of 1,567 acres on 16 CRP contracts were hayed producing 2,990 bales.

10. **Approve Amendment Jami Bartgis's Contract- Circles of Care Program & Partnership for Success Program**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the amendment to the scope & work on the budget for Jami Bartgis's contract with the Circles of Care Program & Partnership for Success Program

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

11. **Info from the Higher Ed Office**

An appeal by a student's parent on the students Higher Ed request was submitted to the Tribal Council for review.

The Tribal Council based on the policies does hereby uphold the decision to deny the request for Higher Ed for this student.

12. **Approve -Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Grants the BIA Permission to Transfer Money to the Tribe for the Wildfires & Hazardous Fuels Reduction from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2022**

Motion was made by Donnie Moore to give the BIA permission to transfer money to the Tribe for the Wildfires & Hazardous Fuels Reduction from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2022.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for, and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

13. Approve Grazing Resolution for Permit Period 2012 - 2022

Motion was made by Donnie Moore to approve the Grazing Resolution for the Permit Period of 2012 – 2022.

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

14. Approve Placement of Leeann LaRoche on IHS Water & Sewer Priority List for Services provided she meets all the IHS Criteria

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the placement of Leeann LaRoche on the IHS Water & Sewer Priority List for Services provided she meets all the IHS Criteria.

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

15. Approve Lease Renewal Bart Ness LB-196/T-196

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the lease renewal request from Bart Ness.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

16. Approve to Request the BIA to Advertise For Lease T-1071

Motion was made by Darrell Middletent to request the BIA to advertise for Lease T-1071.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

17. Approve to Request the BIA to Advertise For Lease T4055

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to request the BIA to advertise for Lease T4055

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

18. Request BIA Advertise Leases TCR222/TRC533/TRC535

Motion was made by Donnie Moore to request the BIA to advertise for Lease TCR222/TRC533/TRC535.

This motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau Jr.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

19. Approve the Nine Lessee/Permittee Leases be Taken Off Allotted Status and Added to Their Leases at the Current Tribal Rate

Motion was made by Donnie Moore to approve the nine (9) Lessee/Permittee leases be taken off allotted status and added to their leases at the current Tribal rate.

This motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau Jr.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council recessed at 11:14 AM.

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council reconvened at 11:32 AM.

20. Appoint Lori Gourneau Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners - Three Year Term

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to appoint Lori Gourneau to the three year term on the Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners.

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

21. Appoint Amy Jandreau Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners - Two Year Term

Motion was by Darrell Middletent to select Marlys Langdeau for the two year term for the Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners. This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes. Orville Langdeau Jr. nominated Amy Jandreau for the two year term. The Chairman asked if you want to vote or go by nominations. Darrell the motion maker and Clyde the seconded agreed to go with the nomination process.

Darrell nominated Marlys Langdeau for the two year term.

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. for the nominations to cease. This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent. Motion carried with four members for, none opposing, one absent (John McCauley) and none not voting.

Votes went to secret ballot:

Amy Jandreau-2

Marlys Langdeau – 2

Tie vote -Chairman Votes to break the tie. One vote for Amy Jandreau.

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the selection of Amy Jandreau for the two year term on the Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners

This motion was seconded by Darrell Middletent.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

22. Appoint Bessie Louder Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners – One Year Term

Motion was made by Donnie Moore to appoint Bessie Louder to the one year term on the Lower Brule Housing Board of Commissioners.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

23. Approve Selection Marlene Crowe Enrollment Board

Motion was made by Darrell Middletent to approve the recommendation received from the Enrollment Committee to appoint Marlene Crowe to the Lower Brule Enrollment Board.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

24. Approve Hire - Percy Goodface Enrollment Clerk

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve the recommendation received from the Enrollment Committee to select Percy Goodface as the Enrollment Clerk.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting

25. Approve Hire - Ira Ziegler Red Tail Express Transit Drive Position

Motion was made by Darrell Middletent to approve the recommendation from the Red Tail Express Transit Director to select Ira Ziegler as the Red Tail Express Transit Driver.

This motion was seconded by Donnie Moore.

Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes abstaining.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

26. Approve Hire-Red Tail Express Transit Part-time Positions-Part-Time Dispatch Jessie Wilson and Part Time Driver Floyd E. Flute Jr.

Motion was made by Darrel Middletent to approve the recommendation from the Red Tail Express Transit Director to select Floyd E. Flute Jr. as a part time transit driver and Jessie Wilson as a part time Dispatch for the Red Tail Express Transit.

This motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau Jr.

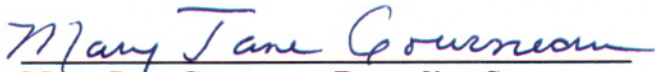
Vote Being: Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Darrell Middletent for, John McCauley absent, Donnie Moore for and Clyde Estes abstaining.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

There being no further business, the Tribal Council Meeting recessed at 11:45 A.M.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session, with quorum present on the 4th day of October, 2017.


Mary Jane Gourneau, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe's 2017 Annual Fair and Rodeo Report

Greetings, members of the Kul Wicasa Oyate. The following is a summary of information provided by the many individuals directly involved in the Fair activities that are sponsored in part or in full by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.

Pow-Wow:

Despite the rain, dancers from places such as Garden Grove, CA; Ethete, WY; Anadarko, OK; Flagstaff, AZ; Granite Falls, MN; as well as many other towns in North and South Dakota came to participate in our pow wow activities. A total of 6 Lower Brule members placed in the dance competitions. This year's fair had well over 230 dancers and 30 drum groups. Attendance by dancers and visitors was significant; however was down somewhat from previous years due to the rain. The total payouts for dance contests, drum groups, and children's specials were in the sum of \$77,316. This does not include money that was returned from places that were not filled. The total amount received from vendors was \$4,000. This is down from previous years due to no-shows because of weather. The kitchen served 5 meals for approximately 650 people- per meal. Total cost of the food and supplies amounted to \$13,331.00. There was no income received from gate fees as no admission was charged this year, again. The previously listed figures do not include cost of personnel such as crowd's nest and cooks or other expenses such as electrical, fire extinguishers, cleanup crews, etc.

Annual Horse Races:

The initial budget for this year's races was in the total of \$13,500.00. This amount supported those involved in any way with staffing the race activities such as auctioneer, announcer, judges, outriders, runners, set up and cleanup crews, as well as race payouts. A total of \$5,500.00 collected from Calcutta percentages was returned to the Tribe which is a welcomed increase from previous year's returns.

Bull Bash, Ranch Rodeo and Regular Rodeo:

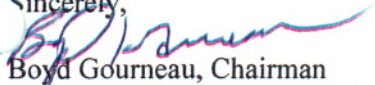
The budget for this year's rodeos totaled to the amount of \$28,500. This amount is completely paid out to the contractor for operational costs including stock and sub contractors, prize money, judges, barrier judges, book keepers, grounds cleanup crews, timers, arena help, pickup men, announcers, trucking /transportation costs, etc. A total of \$2,516.00 was returned to the Tribe, coming from Calcutta percentages. Any additional-operational costs associated with rodeo activities that were not supported in this budget are absorbed and fulfilled by the rodeo contractor. Donnie Moore would like to make mention of a special Tribal member who has in previous years always taken the time to lend a hand anywhere he could during the rodeo. The absence of Mr. Curt Middleton was greatly missed this year and Donnie & the entire community would like to send a heavenly "Thank you!" to Curt as he was called home to help out in the grand arena in the sky this past summer.

35th Annual Men's Softball Tournament:

The total amount budgeted for the tournament by the Tribe was in the amount of \$15,798 while the entry fees received from 16 teams totaled \$2,650. The total cost of the tournament including trophies, caps, supplies, prize money, umpires and their lodging, crowd's nest expenses, announcer, book keepers, gophers, ASA fees, and cleanup crews was \$16,721 leaving \$1,727 having been returned back to the Tribe.

As you can see from the above figures provided, although it brings in additional revenue to our local economy; the Fair is not a profitable event for the Tribe. I want to thank our decades of previous leadership officials who have established our Fair time celebrations in the past as we continue to sponsor our annual fair and rodeo year after year. I'd like to give a special thanks to the Infrastructure Director and the Lower Brule Farm Corporation for working year round to accumulate and secure the funding to allow for this year's fair to take place. I would like to recognize Clair, pow wow staff & the Johnson Family; Trina & the Horse racing staff; Benny, Donnie & crew; Cody Russell & his crew as well as the many individuals involved in any way. Many people have given a great amount of hard work & dedication to the smooth operation of all of our fair activities. We would also like to recognize Partnership for success, Circles of Care, the Diabetes Program & their sponsors as well as the United For Youth Group comprised of community members who have created and sponsored activities for the youth of the community to take part in during our Fair time. I would also like to take a few moments to recognize all of the Tribal Members that have passed on within this past year to which the Annual Fair is dedicated. As we recognize the historical significance of our annual wacipi; we hope that our fair this year served as a unique opportunity for all of us to come together as a community and celebrate the beauty that encompasses the place that we call "Home".

Sincerely,


Boyd Gourneau, Chairman
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe