



Tribal University Advisory Board (TUAB)
November 26, 2019 – 10:00 am
Idaho State University
Administration Building #10, Room 102

| Attendance:               |                           |  |
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| ☐ Broncho, Denell (Board) | ☑ Colter, Chad (Board)    | $\square$ Covington, Shoshawna (Board) |
| $\square$ Dunstan, Dani   | □ Fellows, Sidney (Board) | ☑ Force, Rex (Board)                   |
| ⊠ Gibson, Stacey (Board)  | ☐ Grace, Selena           | ☐ James, Jessica                       |
| ☐ Joseph, Craig           | □ Loley, Lethaniel        | ☑ Martin, Julia (Board)                |
| ☐ Murillo, Larry          | ☑ Petersen, Wyatt (Board) | ∠ Liz Kickham (Board)                  |
| Stone, Sunny (Board)      | □ Tuell, Yvette           |  |
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## Agenda Item: Recap of October 23, 2019 Meeting

At the last meeting, this group discussed the prioritized list from the Strategic Priorities and worked their way through most of the "Student Services" section and most of "Access" to identify timelines and responsible parties.

- Lethaniel provided a handout comparing the top ten universities with Native American Student Centers identical to ISU (size, location, etc.) within the Big Sky Conference arena as peer institutions to emulate like and desired services.
- ISU does not currently offer a bachelor's degree in Native American Studies (only a minor). The MOA provides for strengthening Native American studies program as a priority. Liz said they are exploring the creation of a Bachelor's Degree in Native American and Indigenous Studies.
- Stacey said NA Student Services (NASS) needs additional funding resources, infrastructure changes, and staff support. Currently their budget is only \$3,000. They have received \$10,000 from the President's Office but it is to be used exclusively for Indigenous Peoples Day. They are working with the Foundation for options for donations to Native American Student Services.
- Lethaniel provided a draft of the NASS needs assessment survey. It has not been sent out yet. He wanted to share with this group.

| Agenda Item: | Discuss Next Steps for Implementation of Recommendations of the Strategic |  |
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|              | Priorities  |  |
|              | Identify Timelines and Responsibilities                                   |  |

Next area <u>Programs</u> – Rex and Selena will work with Academic Affairs and Advising to identify current degree programs related to the list as well as create a contact list for advisors for these programs plus other programs.

- Yvette, Chad, Jessica and other will identify programmatic needs of the Tribal Departments. A survey is scheduled to be sent out to students and parents on December 12. Jessica provided a copy of the survey. Tribal Board members will work with Tribal Council to identify gaps and staffing employment needs. Sunny will work with Jessica to create a questionnaire to be sent out to the Tribal department managers. She will have a draft of the survey available for the next meeting.
- Once the employment needs are identified, ISU can identify early admission and reserving seats for qualified students.
- Yvette asked about the possibility of creating new programs at ISU for fall 2020. ISU's internal process has a
  lengthy vetting mechanism in place. The Tribal survey should also help identify needed skills and knowledge.
  Possibility of Badge programs. They are not true academic programs but rather specific training in certain
  areas (i.e. customer service skills, etc.). College of Technology is currently developing either an associate or
  certificate program in hotel hospitality.





Next area Research – Several research projects ongoing on campus in collaborations with the Tribes. There may be others. This Board needs to be aware of the project to help streamline the process for research and compliance. Tribes vet their process with the Indian Health Board and their IRB is managed by the Tribes in collaboration with the Northwest Portland Indian Health Board and they meet quarterly. A mechanism/clearing house needs to be established to maintain a record of all research projects between the Tribes and ISU for a coordination of projects. TUAB needs to be kept informed but does not need to be the clearing house. It was suggested to have the Office of Research serve as the clearing house for ISU and the Tribes should have something similar and to have a set of guidelines/procedures for all ISU/Tribal related research activities. TUAB will create a Research Subcommittee to oversee these efforts – Kate Reedy, Liz, Rex, Julie for ISU and for the Tribes Yvette, Sunny, Chad, and Denell. May also research ISU's internal committees (Human Subjects, Animal, etc.) to have them on the subcommittee.

Next area Diversity – next meeting will discuss further. Liz reported the creation of diversity subcommittee consisting of her, Stacey, Karen Appleby, Sam Black, and Christian Peterson. They have discussed a workshop and potential speakers for Fall 2020.

Agenda Item: Requests for External Projects (i.e. Research, etc.)

This topic relates to the discussion under the "Research" component from the priorities list.

Agenda Item: Next TUAB Meeting

The next TUAB meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2020.

Adjourned: 12:00 p.m.