

New Hampshire Commission on Native American Affairs

April 24, 2019, 1PM Meeting Minutes

Van McLeod Building, 19 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH

Members Present:

Kathleen Blake (KB), Chair
Shawn O'Leary (SO), Vice Chair
Kayla Schweitzer (KS), Secretary
Madeleine Wright (MW)
Garrett Chapman (GC)
Peter Kenney (PK)
Sheila Charles (SC)
Denise Pouliot (DP)

Members Absent:

Bronwyn Asplund-Walsh (BAW)
Kris Neilsen (KN), Treasurer
Daniel Howard (DH)

Public Attendees: Courtney Castro (Public), Paul Pouliot (Cowanuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki People), Mark Doperalski (NHDHR), Beth Muzzey (NHDHR), Pat Abrami (State Representative, Stratham), Ari Schaaff (Public), Anne Jennison (Public)

Quorum: No

Meeting Proceedings:

1. **KB** Calls meeting to order at 1:03PM
2. **KB:** Welcome
3. **State Representative Pat Abrami** presentation and discussion on HB384
4. **KB:** Annual Report and Meeting Minutes approval - *tabled*
5. **KB:** Discussion on Rules of Decorum and Committee Goals among **Commission Members**
6. **KB** Moved to Committee reports
 - a. Social Services Committee
 - i. **DP:** Discussion on lack of indigenous foster homes in NH and INWA
 - b. Arts & Crafts Committee
 - i. **MW:** No report
 - c. Education Committee
 - i. **DP** Update on seminar at UNH and Indigenous Peoples' Day at UNH
 - ii. **Open Discussion** on People of the Dawnland exhibit at Strawberry Banke
 - d. Nominations Committee
 - i. **KB** Update on membership and potential applications
 - e. Protection and Preservation Committee:
 - i. **KB** moved to Open Discussion among **Commission Members** regarding canoe at Shelburne Museum
 - ii. **SC** presented on an inquiry about NH historic markers and moved to Open Discussion about NH historic markers among **Commission Members**
7. **Public Comments**
 - a. **Paul Pouliot**, Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki People
8. **KB adjourned** meeting at 2:47 PM

NHCNAA Meeting Adjourned