

New Hampshire Commission on Native American Affairs

March 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes

1-3PM

DNCR Main Conference Room, 172 Pembroke Road, Concord, NH 03301

Members Present:

Anne Jennison, Chair (virtual)

Denise Pouliot, Vice Chair

Kayla Schweitzer, Secretary

Sheila Charles, Treasurer

Bridget Herrera

Cherie Pernaw

Christine Nih'shaw

James Edgell Jr.

Carlos Cardona Lebron

Estlin Loparto

Members Absent: Deborah Calabrese, Diane Polewarczyk

Public Attendees: Michael Haley (NH DOJ), Paul Pouliot (Cowasuck Band Penncook-Abenaki), Jenny Whidden (Granite State News Collaborative)

Quorum: Yes

Meeting Proceedings:

1. **Anne Jennison** called meeting to order at 1:12PM
2. **Anne Jennison** welcome and introductions
3. **Anne Jennison** asked Commission members to review the Commission's [Meeting Guidelines](#) on their own time
4. **Anne Jennison** indicated she was virtually attending the meeting for a 504 type of accommodation.
5. **Anne Jennison** moved to review and discussion of the draft [June 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes](#)
6. **Denise Pouliot** motioned to approve the draft [June 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes](#); **Sheila Charles** seconded
 - a. Roll Call Vote: unanimous; approved
7. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussing Committees and Committee Selections
8. **Denise Pouliot** motioned to abolish all standing sub-committees; **Sheila Charles** seconded
 - a. Roll Call Vote: unanimous; approved
9. **Anne Jennison** moved to scheduling the next Commission Meeting
10. **Anne Jennison** and **Kayla Schweitzer** discussed the 2021 Annual Report
11. **Anne Jennison** received an email from John Nyhan, President and Chair of NH Association of Chambers and Commerce, about bringing indigenous youth from Pine Ridge to New Hampshire for summer jobs – wanted the Commission to know. Anne and John will connect further.
12. **Denise Pouliot** mentioned various events her tribe was involved with.
13. **Anne Jennison** adjourned meeting 2:30PM

NHCNAA Meeting Adjourned