

New Hampshire Commission on Native American Affairs

June 30, 2022 Meeting Minutes

1-3PM

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

Members Present:

Anne Jennison, Chair

Denise Pouliot, Vice Chair

Kayla Schweitzer, Secretary

Sheila Charles

Bridget Herrera

Cherie Pernaw

Christine Nih'shaw

James Edgell Jr.

Carlos Cardona Lebron

Estlin McLellan

Deborah Calabrese

Members Absent: Diane Polewarczyk

Public Attendees: Paul Pouliot (Cowasuck Band Pennacook-Abenaki), Charles Jennison (INHCC), Nicole Leapley

Quorum: Yes

Meeting Proceedings:

1. **Anne Jennison** welcome and introductions
2. **Anne Jennison** called meeting to order at 1:06PM
3. **Anne Jennison** moved to review and discussion of the draft [March 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
 - a. Edits:
 - i. Carlos Lebron Cardona to Carlos Cardona Lebron
 - ii. Christine Almstrom to Christine Nih'shaw
4. **Christine Nih'shaw** motioned to approve the draft March 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes with edits; **Carlos Cardona Lebron** seconded
 - a. Vote: unanimous; approved
5. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion on Treasury Report
 - a. **Kayla Schweitzer** provided information on Treasury Account
 - i. The [Treasury Report](#) is on the website
6. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion of Treasurer
7. **Sheila Charles** motioned to dissolve the position of Treasurer; **Cherie Pernaw** seconded
 - a. Vote: unanimous; approved
8. **Anne Jennison** moved to Annual Officer Elections and discussion
9. **Sheila Charles** motioned to re-elect **Anne Jennison** as Chair, **Denise Pouliot** as Vice Chair, and **Kayla Schweitzer** as Secretary; **Carlos Cardona Lebron** seconded
 - a. Vote: unanimous; approved
10. **New Business**
 - a. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion on proposed state historical marker for Abenaki Tower and Trail Association

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- i. **Anne Jennison** and **Denise Pouliot** discussed other state historic markers in the Seacoast Area
 - b. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion on the Mill Pond Dam Removal and upcoming project update and section 106 informational meeting
 - c. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion on the Native American Mascot at Manchester School District
 - i. **Anne Jennison** invited Nicole Leapley to speak on the Native American and Crusader mascots in the Manchester School District
 - d. **Anne Jennison** moved to discussion on email inquiries received:
 - i. Ron Price from Colby-Sawyer College emailed **Kayla Schweitzer** about connecting/building relationship with Commission
 - ii. **Anne Jennison** received notification that the NHCNAA Chair or designee is to serve on the American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission (NH [HB 1441](#))
 1. **Cherie Pernaw** motioned for **Carlos Cardona Lebron** to serve as the Commission's designee on the American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission; **Bridget Herrera** seconded
 - a. Vote: unanimous; approved
11. **Anne Jennison** moved to scheduling the next Commission Meeting
 12. Discussion on having NHCNAA representation at events – standing authority – *tabled*
 13. **Anne Jennison** adjourned meeting 3:02PM

NHCNAA Meeting Adjourned