

Skiatook JOM Parent Committee - Meeting Minutes Osage Casino, Skiatook – Breakfast Nook August 24, 2022 - 7:00 PM

### 1. Call to Order

Brooklyn Kemble, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:23 pm.

## 2. Opening Prayer

Avis Ballard led the meeting in prayer.

#### 3. Roll Call

Present was Chair Brooklyn Kemble, Vice-Chair Melyssa Hight, and Committee Member Jhara Blalock.

Absent was Committee Member Valarie Burris.

## 4. Chairwoman's Reports

- a) Budget Update The Chair reported that to date \$25,312.98 was spent from the FY22 JOM award funds, with a current sum of \$1,472.98 overspent. Chair Kemble asked JOM Coordinator Avis Ballard if the committee should be concerned about this issue. Ms. Ballard answered that the overage is not very much and there is no need to be alarmed, the extra costs are paid for by Osage Nation JOM program funds.
- b) Parent Committee vacancy Chair Kemble reported there is a vacant position after previous member Charles Wilson's dismissal in April 2022. Chair Kemble introduced Emma Red Corn-Dye who was in attendance and had expressed interest to volunteer as a committee member. Mrs. Red Corn-Dye is a parent of a Skiatook JOM student and is involved in community events with the VFW Auxiliary Post 7977. She recently served as head cook for the 2021-22 Skiatook JOM Pow Wow. The parent committee went into a vote (see action items, #1) and unanimously approved Mrs. Red Corn-Dye as the new committee member.
- c) School Supplies Update The Chair reported that at the recent school supply distribution there was a shortage of school supplies, particularly for 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Ms. Ballard reported that she ordered fewer supplies this year due to the number of leftover supplies from the previous year. Ms. Ballard reported she compiled a list of Skiatook JOM students still in need of supplies and there are approximately fifty students on her list. She purchased school supplies from Wal-Mart after the distribution for about thirty students and delivered them to their schools. Ms. Ballard also reported the remaining twenty students would submit reimbursement requests for their supplies. The committee discussed and voted unanimously (see action items, item #2) to deduct school supply reimbursements from the students' allowable costs; this decision is made in an effort to save costs.
- d) Cultural Events The Chair opened up discussion about hosting cultural events in the coming months. Chair Kemble stated that a couple of ideas for cultural events could be a Spooky Storytelling night in October and a halftime dance demonstration during one of the high school games in November. Vice Chair Melyssa Hight stated that Chris Hill, Cultural Spokesperson would be available to MC the storytelling event. Vice Chair Hight, stated that Mr. Hill would be busy the month of October for various other storytelling and cultural

events, but agreed to MC the storytelling night for Skiatook JOM if they're interested. Vice Chair Hight agreed to contact Mr. Hill and find out what dates he would be available in October. The Committee also discussed and agreed to host a dance demonstration during halftime at one of the high school basketball games. Committee Member Blalock agreed to reach out to the SPS Athletic Director and/or coach to get permission and find out what dates would be available.

## 5. Action Items

**Item #1:** Motion by Melyssa Hight to nominate Emma Red Corn for the position of Skiatook JOM Parent Committee Member. Seconded by Jhara Blalock.

3 yes votes – Brooklyn Kemble, Melyssa Hight, and Jhara Blalock.

0 no votes.

1 absent – Valarie Burris.

**Item #2:** Motion by Jhara Blalock for the Skiatook JOM Parent Committee to approve school supply reimbursements to be deducted from the students' \$100 allowable costs. Seconded by Melyssa Hight.

4 yes votes – Brooklyn Kemble, Melyssa Hight, Jhara Blalock, and Emma Red Corn.

0 no votes.

1 absent – Valarie Burris.

#### 6. Review of received reimbursement forms

None submitted at this time.

# 7. Next meeting date and Adjournment

The Skiatook JOM Parent Committee will meet on September 14, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the Skiatook Casino. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.