

Browns Valley Native American Parent Committee  
November Meeting 11.13.2023  
Via ZOOM

Meeting Called to order 6:34 pm

Present: Erica Keoke, Charnelle Gill, Kimberly Keeble, Eric Dumarce, Dustina Gill, Denise Pikarski, Brenda Reed

Review of October Minutes

American Indian Aid Funding Application will be reviewed and discussed Wednesday 11.15.23 at 5:00 in the library. ZOOM will be on for any parent who can't make it.

Cultural Kits regarding storytelling are available through the Minnesota Historical Society. Mrs. Reed and Parent Committee will follow up to see who to contact to get one for the library. Eric Dumarce will be donating Native American Literature and Dakota language books to the school library.

JOM updates by Dr. Sherry Johnson.

JOM Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month in the Education Department. All parents are welcome to attend. Browns Valley JOM Representative is invited to attend the monthly meetings to get feedback for his JOM meetings. Last year the parent committee requested that there be a day for Grade and Attendance incentives be available on site at the school as well and not just at the Tribal Administrative Building. Dr. Johnson will follow up on this and believes this can happen for the next event.

Culture update: Culture Club activities are ongoing. We will be doing Saturday family workshops starting either this month or next. Depends on the resources and help we have to make it happen. Going to expand the weekly activities to include side activities such as singing with the girls on Wednesdays. Hoping to do the same with the boys as soon as we get someone to do that with them.

Staff Update: Open positions are still being advertised.

Other: This week is a week long celebration of Native American Heritage Month. Each day is a different school wide event in the classrooms. This is parent volunteers, parent presenters, SWO Ed Dept staff and community members involved activity.

Meeting adjourned 7:20 pm

Next Meeting is Monday December 18<sup>th</sup>. Via ZOOM