



**SWTHA Triannual Business Meeting
Isleta Resort, Albuquerque, NM
January 29, 2019**

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: The business meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Michael Chavez, SWTHA Interim President.

Color Guard: Pueblo of Isleta Veterans Association

Pledge of Allegiance: Presented in Tewa Language, Isleta Elementary Students

Welcome: Lt. Governor Richard Jaramillo, Pueblo of Isleta

Roll Call: Roll call was given by Jonathan Robertson, SWTHA Treasurer. A quorum was established from the following that were in attendance: Gila River Indian Community, Hopi Tribal Housing Authority, Navajo Housing Authority, Pascua Yaqui Housing Development, Tohono O'odham Ki: Ki Association, Laguna Housing Development & Management Enterprise, Mescalero Apache Tribe Housing Department, Pueblo of Acoma Housing Authority, Pueblo of Isleta, Pueblo of Jemez, Pueblo of Zia, Santo Domingo Tribal Housing Authority, Tamaya Housing Inc, Zuni Housing Authority, and Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Housing.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was given by Jonathan Robertson to move the SWTHA Bylaws to the first item of New Business. The motion was approved.

Approval of Minutes – October 2, 2018, Tucson, AZ: Approval of Minutes is not necessary since the meeting did not establish quorum and was for discussion only.

Announcements: Michael Chavez gave recognition to the sponsors of this event: Isleta Pueblo Housing Authority, Rural Community Assistance Corporation, Travois, Inc, Raymond James Tax Credit Funds, Inc. Thank you for your support! Housing Departments may announce their events, jobs, and news on the SWTHA website at swtha.org. Please send items to swtha.region8@gmail.com. Zuni Housing will host their housing event on the 3rd week of September, everyone is invited. Timothy Humphrey announced the NAIHC Legislative Conference in Washington, DC will be February 25-27, 2019. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Reports:

a. AMERIND Risk - Reports provided by Floyd Tortalita, AMERIND Representative and Tina Duncan, AMERIND Risk, Business Development Director. Floyd informed everyone of the AMERIND Risk Safety Poster Contest. Housing Authorities/TDHEs are to send a scanned copy of category winners to Floyd by February 24 for regional judging. Originals must be mailed by March 11, 2019. Floyd's 3-year term as AMERIND Board Member will expire at the next meeting. Election for Region VIII Representative will be held at Risk / NAIHC Convention & Tradeshow in Denver, CO, May 7-9, 2019. SWTHA has submitted their letter of request to AMERIND Risk for the 2019 Scholarship Funds. AMERIND Risk has 15 employment positions

to fill. Tina Duncan announced that AMERIND Risk continues to expand their services, providing Property and Liability Protection, Commercial Auto, Workers' Compensation, Homeowners and Renters, and Cyber Liability. Call if you have any questions, their team is there to assist. The AMERIND Golf Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at Santa Ana Golf Club to benefit AMERIND Risk Protecting Tribal Families Fund, Native American Professional Parent Resources, Inc. and Wings of America. Their Safety Team provides safety training and resources for fire and crime prevention, workplace safety, and risk management. The *Alarm Newsletter* provides current news and information.

b. NAIHC - Report was presented by Michael Chavez, NAIHC Alternate Rep. Government shutdown 12/21-1/15/2019 impacted many tribes. NAIHC sent out survey asking members to inform about their impact, please complete the survey. Pathways Home Training will continue throughout 2019. LI classes will be offered through online training. NAIHC 2019 Events - Legislative Conference in Washington, DC, February 25- 27, 2019; AMERIND Risk/NAIHC Annual Convention & Tradeshow, Denver, CO, May 07-09, 2019; Legal Symposium, Las Vegas, December 9-11, 2019.

c. HUD – Report presented by Cheryl Dixon Zuni, SWONAP Deputy Administrator. Government shutdown lasted 35 days and affected Tribal Housing.

d. SWTHA Financial Report – Report was presented by Jonathan Robertson, SWTHA Treasurer.

Old Business:

a. Salary Comparability Study - Virginia Kallestewa, HR Manager, PHR, presented an update to the study. Results can be found on swtha.org.

b. SWTHA Associate Members - Michael Chavez, Interim President, gave a report on the current Associate Members: 1st Tribal Lending, Big Water Consulting, Chee Consulting, Fannie Mae, Greenberg Construction, Housing Data Systems, Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC), RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC, Travois, Inc, Triadvocates, LLC, Raymond James Tax Credit Funds. Please see swtha.org for more information on the Associate Members.

New Business:

a. SWTHA Bylaws Update - Tim Humphrey, Esq. Bylaws should be reviewed at every meeting. Edits and additions were made to the Bylaws. Additions include Article IIb - Associate Membership, Article VII - Contracts; Loans; Checks and Deposits, and Article VIII - Contracts with Insiders. The item was presented to the membership for discussion, debate, recommendations, and approval. Voted in favor = 10, Opposed = 4, Proxies = 3. Motion to approve changes was made and seconded. For future reference, AMERIND and NAIHC Representatives should coincide with the election dates for those entities. SWTHA Bylaws are posted at swtha.org.

b. SWTHA Elections - Nominations were made and votes were casted, results are below:

President - Bill Picotte, Gila River (13 votes), Brook Kristovich, Mescalero (5 votes)

Secretary - Nina Jaramillo, Tamaya Housing (9 votes), Jolene Bergen (Gila River, ineligible)

NAIHC Representative (To replace current Representative for the balance of the term)

Brook Kristovich, Mescalero (14 votes), Jennette Steward, Acoma (4 votes)

NM Representative – Debra Hansen, Santo Domingo Tribal Housing Authority

AZ Representative – Jesus Mora, Pascua Yaqui Housing Development

W TX Representative – Veronica Ruiz, Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Housing

- c. **SWTHA Resolution** – Presented by Allen Zuni, Isleta Pueblo Housing Director, regarding the Exemption from Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973. The item was presented to the membership for discussion and approval. Voted in favor = 14, Opposed = 0. Motion to approve Resolution was made and seconded. (Resolution is posted on swtha.org.)
- d. **SWTHA White Paper** - Stephine Poston, Poston & Assoc. presented SWTHA White Paper. (Posted on swtha.org.)
- e. **Travois, Inc. Presentation** - Alexandria Murnan, Sr. Project Coordinator
- f. **Big Water Consulting Presentation** - Kevin Klingbeil, Managing Director
- g. **New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness Presentation** - Hank Hughes, Director
- h. **Raymond James Tax Credit Funds Presentation** - Benjamin Shockey, Acquisitions Mgr
- i. **Rural Community Assistance Corp Presentation** – Juanita Hallstrom, Loan Fund Director

2019 Schedule of Meetings:

- January 29-31, 2019 –SWTHA Business Meeting and Training, Albuquerque, NM.
- May 6, 2019 – SWTHA Business Meeting held in conjunction with the AMERIND Risk / NAIHC Convention & Tradeshow in Denver, CO, May 6 7-9, 2019.
- October 2019 - SWTHA Business Meeting held in conjunction with the AMERIND Risk Symposium at Santa Ana Pueblo, NM

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

SWTHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REPRESENTATIVES		
NAME	ORGANIZATION	TITLE
WilliamPicotte	Gila River Indian Community - Housing	SWTHA President
Michael Chavez	Zuni Housing Authority	SWTHA Vice President, NAIHC Alternate
Nina Jaramillo	Tamaya Housing Inc.	SWTHA Secretary
Jonathan Robertson	Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Housing Dept	SWTHA Treasurer
Jesus Mora	Pascua Yaqui Tribe	AZ Representative
Marlene Garcia	Ak-Chin Indian Community	AZ Representative
Debra Hansen	Santo Domingo Tribal Housing Authority	NM Representative
Veronica Ruiz	Ysleta del Sur Pueblo	WTX Representative
Floyd Tortalita	Pueblo of Acoma Housing Authority	Region VIII AMERIND Rep/ NM Rep
Lisa Manwell	Jicarilla Apache Housing Authority	Region VIII AMERIND Alternate
Brook Kristovich	Mescalero Apache Tribe Housing Dept	NAIHC Representative