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ARIZONA – NEW MEXICO – WEST TEXAS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

June 16, 2021

Dear SWTHA Members:

Southwest Tribal Housing Alliance (SWTHA) held the Triannual Meeting on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, via virtual setting. Thank you to those that attended, reported, and presented at the meeting.

Below are some of the highlights of the meeting:

Roll Call:

A quorum was established, the meeting was represented by 14 Tribal Housing Entities from Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas.

Reports:

- NAIHC - Tony Walters, NAIHC Executive Director
- AMERIND - Derek Valdo, AMERIND CEO
- HUD - Cheryl Dixon Zuni, HUD-SWONAP Deputy Administrator and Jody Moses, SWONAP Administrator
- SWTHA Financial Report – Rhoda Eustace, SWTHA Secretary/Treasurer

Announcements:

- SWTHA Scholarship 2021 Recipients announced:
 - Jemez Pueblo: Kalainia Waquie
 - Jicarilla Apache: Kierston Vicenti
 - Mescalero Apache: Tunte Baca, Brynn Martinez, Joseph Foy, Ethan Gallerito, Antanaya Mendez, George Rocha, Madisyn Yuzos
 - Navajo Nation: Samantha Kazhe
 - Pueblo of Isleta: Keanna Lucereo
- Introductions of Associate Members
- SWTHA Bylaws and Position Paper may be found at swtha.org

Elections:

- Election of Arizona Representative (Nadie Beauty, Yavapai Apache Nation Tribe Housing): Not enough AZ members, suggested to table until next meeting.

Training:

- HUD/NAIHC Training and Discussion - *Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program*: David Heisterkamp II and Jim Wagenlander, Attorneys at Wagenlander & Heisterkamp, LLC.
- Presentation by RCAC Housing - *Tribal Housing Excellence Academy*: Eileen R. Piekarz, Rural Development Specialist II

2021 Schedule of Meetings:

- October 13, 2021 - Triannual Meeting: Hybrid meeting - personal and zoom attendance.
- Monthly Zoom Meetings: 2nd Tuesdays of each month, 1pm-2pm MT
 - Speakers are invited provide presentations at monthly meeting, submit request at swtha.region8@gmail.com.

Please visit swtha.org for news and events in Indian Housing. Submit your information to share on website and newsletters to swtha.region8@gmail.com.

Thank you and we look forward to your continued support and participation.

Sincerely,



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SWTHA President