

AIHEC BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

MASTER ROSTERS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Spring 2017

COMMITTEE/WORK GROUP	RESPONSIBILITIES	MEMBERSHIP
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE <i>(TWO-YEAR TERMS: ELECTIONS HELD EVEN NUMBERED YEARS)</i>	See Bylaws; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A*CF • Strategic Planning • Communications/PR • AIHEC Proposals • Private Sector Fundraising • Promote and Strengthen AIHEC 	David Yarlott, Chair Nathaniel St. Pierre, Vice-Chair Lander "Russ" McDonald, Secretary Justin Guillory, Treasurer Cynthia Lindquist, Member at-Large Larry Anderson (Membership & Accreditation Cmte) Billie Jo Kipp (Research Committee) Robert Martin (Student Activities Committee)
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE	Reviews all motions to be forwarded to the full Board of Directors during AIHEC board meetings; either approves for forwarding or recommits motions to the relevant committee(s) for further work or reconsideration.	Board Officers Chairs of the Committees/Advisory Board
FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE <i>(BY INVITATION)</i> <i>(The Committee consists of not less than three or more than five Members, including the Treasurer, who shall serve as chair.)</i>	<p>Budget: Oversees preparation of the annual budget for the AIHEC Central Office, including the Tribal College Journal; presents budget to the Board for approval; and periodically reviews financial reporting for the AIHEC Central Office and the Tribal College Journal.</p> <p>Audit: Oversees the selection and performance of auditors. Meets with auditors when necessary, reviews auditors' reports and findings, and makes recommendations to the Board for approval/action. Communicates with auditors to confirm the adequacy of internal financial controls. The Committee considers replacement of auditors at least every three years.</p> <p>General: Serves to apprise and advise Board on all matters pertaining to the finances and accounting policies and practices of the AIHEC.</p>	Chair: Justin Guillory, NWIC, Treasurer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Elmer Guy, Navajo Technical University ○ Micheal Oltrogge, Nebraska Indian C.C. ○ James Davis, Turtle Mountain C.C. ○ Vacancy* <p>* Exec Cmte designee not currently available to serve</p>

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<p>AIHEC DEVELOPMENT AD-HOC WORKING GROUP <i>(est. Fall 2014)</i></p> <p><i>REPORTS TO:</i> <i>FINANCE & AUDIT CMTE</i></p>	<p>Promotes an AIHEC Development Vision that will build a framework of strategic partnerships and revenue streams to strengthen the capacity of AIHEC, to help ensure that AIHEC is positioned to achieve the collective TCU vision and actively engage with U.S. and global higher education partners, discussions, and initiatives.</p>	<p><i>Inactive</i></p>
<p>MEMBERSHIP AND ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE (14)</p>	<p><i>Membership.</i> Develops proposed policy and procedures for administration of the membership application process to AIHEC; reviews applications for membership; conducts site visits; makes membership recommendations to the Board of Directors, and suggests changes to bylaws and charter relating to membership issues.</p> <p><i>Leadership.</i> Explore development of AIHEC Leadership Institute.</p> <p><i>Accreditation.</i> Advises the AIHEC Board of Directors on issues concerning accreditation of member institutions; provides information and materials to apprise AIHEC member institutions about accreditation matters; provides advice to AIHEC members about accreditation procedures; works with accrediting bodies and related organizations to improve the quality and significance of accreditation as it relates to member institutions, particularly with respect to cultural and other issues; encourages and supports representation by member institution personnel (i.e. president, deans, etc.) in professional activities of accreditation bodies and related organizations.</p>	<p>Chair: Larry Anderson (FDLTCC)</p> <p>Carole Falcon-Chandler (ANC) Robert Bible (CtMN) Haven Gourneau (FPCC) Robert Martin (IAIA) Debra Parrish (KBOCC) Diane Vertin (LCOOCC) Vikki Howard, Acting President (LLTC) Justin Guillory (NWIC) Twyla Baker-Demaray (NHSC) Sandra Boham (SBC) Lionel Bordeaux (Sinte) Laurel Vermillion (SBC) Sherry Allison (SIPI)</p> <p><i>*Dan King (Red Lake Nation College)</i></p> <p><i>*Non-voting Member</i></p>

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<p>ACCREDITATION WORKING GROUP</p> <p>(REPORTS TO: MEMBERSHIP & ACCREDITATION)</p>	<p>Rising from the sovereign power of our American Indian tribal nations, AIHEC’s original mission statement, drafted in the early 1970s, affirmed a commitment to <i>TRIBAL</i> higher education that was created and owned by our own people. Consistent with our original mission, the Board established this Working Group in 2010 to explore the possibility of developing a tribally-controlled accrediting body for TCUs. By Board decision and directive, this working group is to be led and staffed by TCU presidents, to ensure ownership and buy-in. The goal is to develop a Tribally-owned process for accrediting Tribal higher education that is based on Native ways of knowing and Tribal values, principles, identity, and spirituality.</p> <p>The mission of the “<i>AIHEC Council on Accreditation</i>” is to enhance the quality and credibility of tribal higher education through the accreditation of member institutions, based on a set of guiding principles.</p>	<p>Cynthia Lindquist, CCCC Richard Littlebear, CDKC David Yarlott, Jr. LBHC Lionel Bordeaux, SGU Laurel Vermillion, SBC James Davis, TMCC Leander “Russ” McDonald, UTTC Marlin Spoonhunter, WRTC</p>
<p>AD-HOC NATIONAL <i>TRIBAL</i> UNIVERSITY WORKING GROUP</p> <p>(REPORTS TO: MEMBERSHIP & ACCREDITATION)</p>	<p>Works as a collaborative body to study and consider the development of a tribally controlled and culturally founded <i>National TRIBAL University</i>, with the initial establishment of the National Tribal University as a virtual university that capitalizes on the capabilities, expertise, and tools of the existing network of TCUs. A primary first focus of the National Tribal University will be Native Language programming. As more American Indians leave their home communities, it is incumbent on TCUs to quickly and cost-effectively expand efforts to share and preserve our individual Native languages and cultural experiences.</p>	<p>Lionel Bordeaux, SGU Carole Falcon-Chandler, ANC Wesley Thomas, NTU</p>

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<p>RESEARCH COMMITTEE (15)</p> <p>Policy Data Collection: AIHEC-AIMS TCJ Advisory Board</p>	<p>Oversees and guides AIHEC's research, data collection, and analysis functions (AIHEC-AIMS); formulates policy and procedures for the administration of research; coordinates research activities between AIHEC, its entities, affiliate organizations, partners, and other institutions of higher education; develops guidelines and procedures for externally sponsored research projects, proposals, and awards.</p> <p>Serves as the advisory board to AIHEC's NARCH grant.</p>	<p>Chair: Billie Jo Kipp (BCC)</p> <p>Carole Falcon-Chandler (ANC) Michael Parish (BMCC) Cynthia Lindquist (CCCC) Richard Littlebear (CDKC) Diana Morris, Interim (CMN) Robbie Wahnee (CNC) Charles "Monty" Roessel (Diné) Venida Chenault (HINU) Pearl Brower (Iłisaǵvik) Maunka Morgan (LPTC) Justin Guillory (NWIC) Nate St. Pierre (SCC) Leander "Russ" McDonald (UTTC) Tracy Clark, Interim (WETCC)</p>
<p>TRIBAL COLLEGE JOURNAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE <i>(BY INVITATION)</i></p>	<p>Helps develop and monitor the Tribal College Journal mission and guides policy for the content and publication of the TCJ. Guides development of themes and story ideas; conducts strategic planning for financial sustainability, including alternative design and dissemination methods.</p>	<p>Chair: Pearl Brower, Iłisaǵvik</p> <p>Cynthia Lindquist, CCCC Richard Littlebear, CDKC Venida Chenault, HINU Elmer Guy, NTU Laurel Vermillion, SBC Sherry Allison, SIPI <i>Marlin Spoonhunter, WRTC</i> Carrie Billy, AIHEC</p>

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<p>STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (14)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIHEC Student Congress • Athletic Commission • Student Conference Commission 	<p>Develops policy and procedures for the oversight of all AIHEC-sponsored student activities, including Student Congress and the Annual AIHEC Student Conference. Policies involved include setting competition level, assuring compliance for eligibility, and recommending policies to the AIHEC Board.</p> <p>Develops policy and procedures, as approved by the AIHEC board, for the oversight of all AIHEC-sponsored students athletic activities, including the governing of AIHEC sanctioned or sponsored events, setting competition levels, assuring compliance for eligibility. In addition, the working group reviews and approves AIHEC-wide athletic events and provides oversight of the AIHEC Athletic Commission (a non-presidential body).</p> <p>By Committee motion (Spring 2009), all committee members have full voting privileges.</p>	<p>Chair: Robert Martin (IAIA)</p> <p>Carole Falcon-Chandler (ANC) Charles "Monty" Roessel (Diné) Venida Chenault (HINU) Pearl Brower (Ilisaǵvik) David Yarlott (LBHC) Maunka Morgan (LPTC) Thomas Shortbull (OLC) Carla Sineway (SCTC) Randy Smith (SWC) Nate St. Pierre (SCC) Paul Robertson (TOCC) James Davis (TMCC) <i>AIHEC Athletic Commission Representative</i> Larry Anderson*, (FDLTCC) (Athletic Commission)</p>

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<p>CONVENING OF STRATEGIC WORKING GROUPS</p>	<p>Vehicle to convene AIHEC’s various working groups, as needed, to address new and emerging strategic initiatives and the express areas, as assigned. Motions and recommendations of convened Working Groups are referred to the Governance Committee for action or assignment to a relevant committee.</p>	
<p>HIGHER EDUCATION ACT/ TRIBAL COLLEGE ACT REAUTHORIZATION WORKING GROUP (initially established 8-10-2013)</p>	<p>Adhoc working group – convened when needed: Assists AIHEC staff by providing comments, advice, and recommendations on a timely basis as AIHEC staff work on TCU specific amendments, including revisions to the Higher Education Act, and Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act, and other legislation. In addition, the working group will provide advice on federal regulations and policies, including draft policies, as needed. The group will be the first contacts for attending key meetings and providing testimony.</p>	<p>Michael Parish (BMCC) Robert Bible (CtMN) Martin Ahumada, Interim (Diné) Larry Anderson (FDLTCC) Haven Gourneau (FPCC) Diane Vertin (LCOOCC) Thomas Shortbull (OLC) Sandra Boham (SKC) James Davis (TMCC)</p>
<p>LAND GRANT ISSUES (established 8-10-2013)</p>	<p>Adhoc working group – convened when needed: Assists AIHEC staff by providing comments, advice, and recommendations as AIHEC staff work on 1994 specific issues and amendments, including amendments to the Farm Bill. Most immediately, the working group will assist AIHEC staff with the Keepseagle settlement issue, as needed, including assisting in securing tribal and regional support. In addition, the working group will provide advice on federal regulations and policies, including draft policies, as needed. The group will be the first contacts for attending key meetings and providing testimony; and the group will work tirelessly with AIHEC staff to deliver the message of funding inequities within the USDA’s land grant programs.</p>	<p>Michael Parish (BMCC) Larry Anderson (FDLTCC) Debra Parrish (KBOCC) Elmer Guy (NTU) Michael Oltrogee (NICC) Carla Sineway (SCTC) Lionel Bordeaux (SGU) Sherry Allison (SIPI)</p>

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EXTERNAL LEADERSHIP/PARTNERSHIP GROUPS		
<p>USDA-AIHEC LEADERSHIP GROUP <i>(8 PRESIDENTS & 8 USDA OFFICIALS)</i></p> <p>AIHEC REPRESENTATIVES</p>	<p><i>This committee is on transition, due to the change in administration.</i> Established pursuant to the MOA signed in February 2010 between the US Department of Agriculture and AIHEC. The Leadership Group serves as an advisory body for all partnership initiatives. Additionally, the Leadership group provides guidance to ensure that mutual benefits and interests are served by USDA/AIHEC partnership initiatives. The group shall consist of an equal number of members from USDA and TCUs, as well as a representative from the AIHEC central organization. The Leadership Group meets on a scheduled basis as determined by the members.</p>	<p>Elmer Guy, Co-Chair (NTU) Michael Parish (BMCC) Billie Jo Kipp (BCC) Richard Littlebear (CDKC) Micheal Oltrogee (NICC) Carla Sineway (SCTC) Sherry Allison (SIPI) James Davis (TMCC) Carrie Billy (AIHEC) David Yarlott (LBHC) <i>(AIHEC Board Chair)</i></p>
<p>DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR-AIHEC LEADERSHIP GROUP</p> <p>AIHEC REPRESENTATIVES</p>	<p><i>This committee is on transition, due to the change in administration.</i> Established pursuant to the MOU signed in February 2011 between the US Department of the Interior and AIHEC. The Leadership Group serves as an advisory body for all partnership initiatives. Additionally, the Leadership Group provides guidance to ensure that mutual benefits and interests are served by DOI/AIHEC partnership initiatives. The group shall consist of an equal number of members from DOI and TCUs, as well as a representative from the AIHEC central organization. The Leadership Group meets at least two times per year, on a scheduled basis as determined by the members.</p>	<p>David Yarlott, Jr. (LBHC) Thomas Shortbull (OLC) Lionel Bordeaux (SGU) Laurel Vermillion (SBC) Sherry Allison (SIPI) Leander "Russ" McDonald (UTTC) Carrie Billy (AIHEC) David Yarlott, (LBHC) <i>(AIHEC Board Chair)</i></p>