# INMED Tribal Advisory Board

# Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2019

1. Welcome

Dr. Warne, INMED Director, welcomed all participants on the call.

1. Call to order

James Iron Shell, Vice-Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the INMED Tribal Advisory Board at 1:04 CDT time on October 23, 2019 via phone conference.

1. Roll call

Erica Gunville conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Twila Martin Kekahabah (Charter), Harold DustyBull (Chair), James Iron Shell (Vice-Chair), LeeAnna Muzquiz (Secretary), Ashleen Blackbird, David “Tally” Plume, Haven Gourneau, Audrey German, Lisa Lone Fight, LeeAnn Bruised Head, Erica Gunville, Siobhan Wescott, Nicole Redvers, Susan Holden, Brittany Belgarde

1. Opening prayer

Harold DustyBull, Chair provided the opening prayer for the meeting.

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Not reviewed.

1. Director’s Update-See Director’s Report
   1. Tribal Outreach and Engagement

5 Indigenous Health Scholars now at UND. They are meeting with all tribes in ND in the next few weeks.

* 1. Tribal Advisory Board representation

Still need tribal representatives from Lower Brule, Crow Creek, Flandreau, Yankton. Also need Wyoming representatives from Wind River. Harold offered to follow up on this.

* 1. INMED Cohort update

6 1st year students, doing well and adjusting.

Accepted 19 students into the available slots. Went all the way to #19 to get the 6 students.

* 1. Increase in the number of Medical Schools who are recruiting and enrolling American Indian/Alaska Native Students across the country:

University of Minnesota-Duluth: matriculated 12 AI/AN students this year

University of New Mexico: The Dean is pushing for free tuition for medical students with a specific program for AI/AN

University of Arizona: Graduated largest class of AI/AN students in 2019

University of Washington: increased efforts

Washington State University: Tribal Liaison working on efforts to attract more AI/AN students.

Oregon Health and Sciences University: Wy ‘East Post-Bac Program

Oklahoma State University: Osteopathic Medical School on Cherokee Reservation

Dr. Warne asked Advisory Board members how they see being able to compete with increased competition for AI/AN applicants with this increased effort and strategies to increase the numbers of AI/AN in medicine. Board discussion included considering tightening requirements for Summer Institute, increasing opportunities for student exposure to AI Doctors/students, working with Tribal Colleges, expanding pathway programs, having local representation on reservations that are supported by INMED, more scholarship opportunities such as tribal match to endowment. Members gave Dr. Warne some suggested contacts at the state level. He agreed to follow up with those.

Harold DustyBull, Chair turned the meeting over to James Iron Shell, Vice-Chair and left the meeting at 1:56pm MDT.

* 1. New programming
     1. INMED Pre-med program at UND: Linking undergraduate students, link with MCAT prep and into the INMED pathway.
     2. Indigenous PhD program (see attachment) and MPH program.
     3. Indigenous Health Scholars introduced themselves (see attachment)

1. Staff Update
   1. Brittany Belgarde:
      1. Summer Institute: June 8-July 17, 2020. Trying to get electronic to reduce paper waste.
   2. Kathleen Fredericks:
      1. Moved her office to Indian Center
      2. 22 applicants: 7 from the 5 state area (3 MHA, 1 Blackfeet, 1 Standing Rock, 1 Northern Arapaho, 1 Rose Bud)
      3. Tutorial services – 2 senior level tutors and tutors for 1st year med students.
   3. Erica Gunville:
      1. Indigenous Health Blog on the UND website
      2. INMED Alumni Association up and running
         1. Had 1 meeting – 6 people
         2. Also trying to gather Summer Institute Alumni
      3. Recently met with Center for Rural Health: helping solidify database to present reports that are being requested.
   4. Susan Holden: No update
2. Open Discussion
   1. Members given opportunity to share updates. Most were appreciative of the opportunity. Requests for outreach to specific sites were reviewed. Discussion about listserves and email forwards relevant to INMED ensued. The topic of increasing slots for AI/AN students visited and Dr. Warne reminded the Board that 19 AI/AN students were accepted at UND to fill the 6 slots due to the competitive nature of those applicants and the offers other schools were able to make.
3. Adjournment

James Iron Shell, Vice-Chair, adjourned the meeting at 2:23pm CDT.

Minutes submitted by: LeeAnna Muzquiz, MD, Secretary

Minutes approved by: