



Title VI Indian Education Parent Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2025
5:30pm – 6:30pm

- I. Welcome and Call to Order
 - a. Meeting called to order at 5:35pm
 - a. Attendees:
 - i. Jessica Strickland, Parent and Committee Chair
 - ii. Brandon Lowery, Parent and Committee Vice-Chair
 - iii. Benji Wall, Parent and Committee Secretary
 - iv. Clara Lowery, CMS Student Representative
 - v. Karen Walsh – CMS Parent
 - i. Stacey Moretti, Grant Manager for CMS
- II. Heritage Month Recap
 - a. Speakers
 - i. Shamrock Gardens Elementary
 - 1. Kaya Littleturtle and family
 - 2. Entire school population (app. 534 students)
 - ii. South Academy of World Languages
 - 1. Ramona Big Eagle
 - 2. 5th grade class (123 students)
 - iii. Huntersville Elementary
 - 1. Ramona Big Eagle
 - 2. ASEP program – app. 37 students
 - iv. First Ward
 - 1. Jesse Jacobs and Barbara Locklear from MNAA
 - 2. 3rd and 4th grade students (151 students)
 - b. Poster Contest
 - i. 3 elementary, 2 middle, 8 high
 - ii. Presented winners with gifts and certificates week of Dec. 9
 - iii. Posters will be printed and framed this month
 - c. Independence Event
 - i. Held November 13, 2024
 - ii. 65 community members and app. 10 CMS staff
 - iii. Guest speakers, vendor booths, silent auction, food prepared by Ms. Mallow's culinary students.

- d. Social Media Posts
 - i. # of posts: 5 total posts (one per week)
 - ii. Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube: 15,830 impressions and 3,042 video views
 - iii. Instagram: 67,326 total post views, 597 total post engagements, 14,305 total story views
- III. Student Roster Update
 - a. Verification emails sent to all who indicated American Indian as a racial category (782).
 - b. Responses are coming in. 17 new students as of 1/15/25 for a total of 59
- IV. EOY Recognition
 - a. # of seniors: 4 as of 1/9/25
 - b. Past years: honor cords for seniors, bags with age appropriate books for all students with specials gifts for rising 6th, 9th, and graduates
 - c. We could consider feathers for seniors as well
- V. Financial Update
 - a. Spend Deadline: All funds must be encumbered by April 11, 2025
 - b. Total dollars remaining: \$5,736.00 as of 1/8/25.
- VI. Announcements/Discussion
 - a. January 22 – American Indian Education Summit at Campbell University. Stacey Moretti and Chiquitha Lloyd will attend
 - b. Unity Conference: March 6-8, 2025 in Greensboro, NC. More information can be found here: <https://www.unitedtribesnc.org/conference-info>
 - c. Tutoring for 3 students is going well and will continue through March.
 - d. Ideas for 2025-2026
 - i. Cultural lessons each semester
 - ii. School supplies (back to school?)
 - iii. Tutoring
 - iv. UNC - Pembroke field trip (students)
 - v. Newsletter (Instagram, Facebook, CMS website)
 - vi. Short videos presented to PTA/Schools/Students/Parents to get more information.
 - e. Stacey will set a meeting for February to finalize the EOY recognition plan.
- VII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:22pm