

**Minutes of Meeting  
Executive Council  
Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska  
Seattle, Washington  
September 28, 2003  
Double Tree Sunrise room**

President Edward K. Thomas called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call:

Edward K. Thomas	President	Present
Bill Martin	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present
Fred Lauth	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present
Eli Hanlon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Present
Liv Gray	4 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present
Thomas Farquhar	5 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present
Judy George	6 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present
Mark Jacobs Jr.	Emeritus	Present
Walter Hotch-Hill	Student Representative	Present

The Chair declared a quorum present.

Also present:

Dana Ruaro, Recording Secretary  
Corrine Garza, Chief of Business Operations  
Francine Jones, Tribal Family and Youth Services (TFYS) Director  
Geri Mata, Special Project Coordinator  
Georgia Finau, Deputy Director of TFYS Tribal Wellness Program Director  
Annie Calkins, Evaluation Consultant, Circles of Care

**INVOCATION**

Bill Martin gave the invocation.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

M/S Fred Lauth /Eli Hanlon to adopt the minutes of the April 9, 2003, Meeting of the Executive Council. M/C.

## **MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

M/S Judy George / Bill Martin called for an Executive Session. M/C. An Executive Session will be added to the agenda for the next Executive Council meeting.

## **MINUTES ADOPTION**

M/S Liv Gray / Judy George to adopt the minutes of April 9, 2003 Meeting of the Executive Council. M/C.

## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

President Thomas gave his report.

## **CHIEF OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS REPORT**

Corrine Garza gave her report.

## **PRELIMINARY COUNCIL BUSINESS**

Chairman Thomas moved to adopt an amendment to the budget in order to pay for higher telephone costs. C/U.

M/S Thomas Farquhar / Judy George to invest \$146,966 into Tlingit and Haida Technology Industries for the Office of Historical Trust Accounting (OHTA), (In no event to exceed \$150,000). M/C Bill Martin abstained from voting. M/C.

M/S Thomas Farquhar / Eli Hanlon to authorize a resolution requesting securities to be sold, in an amount of \$500,000 which will result in a loss. C/U.

Motion adopt resolution EC/ 3-50 Authorization to Transfer Funds. Thomas Farquhar / Eli Hanlon. C/U

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Council reviewed and discussed recommendations from the Rules and Credentials Committee on travel and per diem policies for the upcoming General Assembly. The Council deferred action.

The Council reviewed and discussed an IRS Revenue Ruling 29-354. The Ruling was presented by Corrine Garza. It asks the Executive Council to fill out W-4 V Voluntary Withholding Request Forms

## **RECESS**

The Chair declared a recess 10:08 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A report on the “Circles of Care Project” was presented to the Council by Francine Eddy Jones, Annie Calkins and Geri Mata.

M/S Thomas Farquhar / Eli Hanlon to adopt resolution **EC/03-44**, “A Resolution Authorizing a Six Year Southeast Alaska Native Mental Health System of Care” SAMHSA project. (Kaada kaawas’idee yoosta’k / laahl ha’andaa) C/U

(The Council consented to Judy George guiding the recording secretary with the resolution template).

M/S Liv Gray / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **EC/03-46**, “A Resolution Requesting the Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN), to Maintain its Role as The Primary Grantee for the SAMHSA AFN Regional Wellness Initiative”. C/U

M/S Judy George / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **EC/03-47**, “A Resolution Authorizing an Indirect Cost Shortfall for Year 3 of the AFN Wellness Initiative”. C/U as amended.

M/S Judy George / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **EC/03-45**, “Authority to Apply for Federal Head Start Program FY 2004”. C/U

M/S Thomas Farquhar / Eli Hanlon to adopt resolution **EC/03-48**, “Mini-Grant Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Department of Labor and Workforce Development Division of Business Partnerships State Training and Employment Program.” C/U as amended.

M/S Liv Gray / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **EC/03-49**, “Authority for CETHITA to Continue NCAI Membership”. C/U as amended.

M/S Eli Hanlon / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **GA/03-16**, “Support for Passage of Laws Relating to the Protection of Tlingit, Haida, & Tsimshian Cultural and Intellectual Property Rights and Declaration.” The resolution was tabled until the next meeting of the Executive Council.

M/S Bill Martin/ Eli Hanlon to adopt resolution **GA/ 03-29**, “Protecting and Maintaining the Legal Rights of Our Indigenous Children to a High Level of Involvement to Ensure the State of Alaska is in Compliance with the Standards Established by ICWA and Providing Extended Family Choices for Placement of Children when Removal is Necessary.” C/U.

## **LUNCH RECESS**

The Chair declared a recess 12:11 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

Council Member Farquhar reported on his meetings. Council Member Farquhar requested the Executive Council support his involvement with the ITMA board.

M/S Liv Gray / Thomas Farquhar to adopt resolution **EC/03-52**, “Authorization to Contract for Audit Services.” U/C as amended.

M/S Judy George / Liv Gray moved to approve a letter of appreciation to the previous auditors for CCTHITA thanking them for their years of service with a copy to be sent to the delegates. C/U.

M/S Chairman Thomas / Fred Lauth to adopt resolution **EC/03-53**, “Fiscal Policy Amendments”. Without objection, the resolution was tabled until the next meeting of the Executive Council.

M/S Liv Gray / Eli Hanlon to adopt resolution **EC/03-54**, “Providing Alaska and Private Landowners in Alaska with Equal Access to Federal Funding that has been Provided to the Lower 49 States Since 1981”. C/U. (Note: The resolution will be taken to Sealaska and Goldbelt for review and approval before distribution). C/U

M/S Fred Lauth / Judy George to adopt a resolution “Authorizing membership of CCTHITA in ATMI and for Payment of the Dues.” C/U.

Chairman Thomas gave a report Native voters.

M/S Bill Martin/ Eli Hanlon for approval for Mr. Bill Thomas to attend the Elders Conference sponsored by the Alaska Federation of Natives. C/U.

M/S to retain and continue the business relationship between CCTHIA and counsel, Phil Bankershenk. C/U.

Thomas Farquhar / Eli Hanlon moved the Tribal Election Formula for 2004 at approximate 20% increase. Let the record show we will reevaluate individual community advertising expenses seeking reasonable expenditures. C/U as amended

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting of the Executive Council is scheduled tentatively during NCAI , early in the week. Once a definite time, date, and location is made, notice will be delivered to the members of the Executive Council.

#### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.