

Bdote Learning Center
American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC)
AGENDA
October 20, 2023
4:00 – 6:00PM

1. 4:00PM – 4:30PM Prayer, Feast, Smudge
 - Record Attendance
 - Melissa Perez – Chair/Parent
 - Valencia Little Thunder – Secretary/Parent
 - Shiela Zephier – Grandparent
 - Veronica Peterson-Briggs – BLC Admin
 - Korissa Howes – BLC Admin
 - Carol Charging Thunder – BLC Teacher

2. 4:30PM – 4:45PM Introduction of AIPAC
 - Website Has Been Updated for Info
 - Check out the AIPAC Due Dates in the Families > Parent Committee tab.

3. 4:45PM – 6:00PM Indian Education Application Draft
 - BLC Budget Amount from MDE
 - MDE has allocated \$76,500.00 to BLC.
 - 50% of this budget can be used for FTE. FTE is helpful for school and can be used in lieu of the stipends for the teachers teaching your children language, culture, regalia making, singing, etc. Has to be used on Native teachers.
 - AIEA Aid Program Guidance
 - All suggestions need to fit in MDE criteria and areas and explained in the application.
 - Ideas: Kids want a Lock In, Prevention Presentation with Ikidowin due to high rate of vaping in schools, increase regalia supplies to get sewing machines parents can use at BLC in afterschool activities, host career day bringing in Native Professionals for students to see in various careers to inspire them.

- Ceremony money can include pow wows like Mankato, Prairie Island, Veterans, & Shakopee where families can run background checks to help drive vans to events.
 - Mileage can be used for families to submit for reimbursement from proof of attendance of ceremonial events that benefit students.
- Last Year's Budget
 - We had less money.
 - No need for worksite visits if we have career day.
 - Parent: How do we track spending and receipts – Admin: We send receipts labeled AIEA to our accountants at CLA and they code it to this budget. We also send the approved AIEA budget to CLA.

4. AIPAC EVENTS – Due Dates, Etc

- Listed on Website
- Meeting Dates & Time Schedule
 - Meetings to take place 3rd Friday of the month.
 - Stay tuned if we have to add emergency meetings due to deadlines from State Title VI, Federal Title VI, and JOM
 - It's a lot for a small school and committee to oversee.
 - Proposed that families help table at events to recruit families to the school and fundraise for the school.
 - School is seeking families for positive testimonies of student growth while attending BLC.

5. Plan for JOM Committee - TABLED

- Need Chair – Parent of JOM Eligible Student
- Need By Laws
- Need Separate Meeting form AIPAC
- Need Minutes
- Need Education Plan
- No Due Date As of Yet

6. Plan for AIPAC By Laws

- Required for Compliance with Federal Title VI
- Suggested to Look over copy of MPS By Laws & Edit
 - Agreed to look over and bring suggested edits to next meeting.