

**American Indian Parent Committee (AIPC)
For
BVSD Title VI Program**

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting held on: January 22, 2026

Meeting location: BVSD Education Center – Flagstaff Conference Room

Type of Meeting: AIPC Monthly Meeting

Facilitator: Yvette Salas, BVSD American Indian Community Liaison

Acting Secretary: Elijah McClendon

Attendees: Yvette Salas, Mary Martinez, Alison Takenaka, Josh Sparks, Tammy Muskelly, Abigail Sparks (BVSD student), Elder Gloria Yellow Horse and Elijah McClendon

Meeting Called to Order – 6:10 p.m.

Opening blessing by – Elder Gloria Yellow Horse

Welcome & Introductions – Sign-in sheet distributed

Reading and Approval of December 11, 2025, meeting minutes – Secretary position vacant at the time of meeting.

Meeting minutes were not taken and thus, no meeting minutes to read and approve.

- **BVSD Title VI Program Liaison Report – Yvette Salas shared the following:**
 1. The Title VI Program budget report and summary.
 2. As of the date of meeting, the BVSD Native American count is 96. Funding for each student is roughly \$235.
 3. There are 9 students in tutoring.
 4. BVSD Native American families represent 38 different tribes w/in the U.S.
 5. Need confirmation on the official date and venue for the Honoring Ceremony. Generally, held in May.
 6. Yvette is requesting assistance in creating an interactive newsletter for Native American families to receive Title VI Programming information, local events and community gatherings.
 7. 2026 Rock Climbing event is on February 21, 2026, from 2-4p at The Spot in Louisville. Invitation to be distributed soon. AIPC VC Mary Martinez shares the promotional flyer for the event. Committee noted the flyer needed revisions.
 8. The opportunity to sign up for 2026 Denver March Pow Wow tickets is coming soon. Free tickets are only available to Native American families listed w/in BVSD Infinite Campus platform. Yvette to send out a Survey Monkey.
- **AIPC Chairperson's Report – Effective immediately, the current AIPC Chairperson, Elijah McClendon is stepping down. Elijah will continue to engage the AIPC in a supporting role capacity.**
- **AIPC Vice Chairperson's (VC) Report – Effective immediately, the current AIPC VC, Mary Martinez is stepping down.**

⇒ **Motion made by Elder Gloria Yellow Horse to nominate Mary Martinez as the AIPC Chairperson. Elijah McClendon seconds the motion. All in favor.**

⇒ **Motion made by AIPC Chairperson Mary Amber Martinez to nominate Alison Takenaka as the AIPC VC. Community Member Elijah McClendon seconds the motion. All in favor.**

- **AIPC Treasurer's Report – Discussion on the continual absence of the current AIPC Treasurer. Per the 2016 By Laws, Article IV, Section 2, Item G, "If an Officer should be unable to attend three consecutive meetings or otherwise fails to fulfill their duties, their position will be considered vacated and be filled using the nominating and voting procedures specified above." There were also discussions regarding closing down current account and opening new account due to potential risks from current account usage. AIPC Board to work offline to get this task accomplished.**

⇒ **Motion made by Community Member Elijah McClendon to nominate Josh Sparks as the AIPC Treasurer. AIPC VC Alison Takenaka seconds the motion. All in favor.**

- **New AIPC Secretary Needed**

⇒ **Motion made by AIPC Treasurer Josh Sparks to nominate Tammy Muskelly as the AIPC Secretary. AIPC VC Alison Takenaka seconds the motion. All in favor.**

- **Seal of Biliteracy Classes** – Yvette shares these classes are to take place tentatively in February of 2026. AIPC Secretary Tammy Muskelly requests that a Cree language class be added to the existing list of Native American language classes for the purposes of her daughter to learn her tribal language.
- **Logo Redesign** – AIPC Chairperson Mary Martinez shares updates. This task is on hold due to the following motion (see below regarding committee name change).
- **Upcoming Classes** – No pertinent discussion to report on w/in the meeting minutes.
- **Google Survey** – this survey was created to capture interests/needs of Native American families/students w/in the BVSD footprint. The survey will be distributed to the AIPC committee for review and feedback collection in order to update the survey prior to distribution.
- **AIPC Future Meeting Dates** – meeting dates have been agreed upon by the committee to take place on the first Tuesday of each month from 6-7:30p effective February to May 2026 at the BVSD Education Center – Flagstaff Conference Room.
- **Other Items For Discussion/Review** –
 1. The 2016 AIPC Bylaws, AIPC nonprofit paperwork and the AIPC mission statement were handed out to each person in attendance.
 2. Elder Gloria Yellow Horse requested Yvette to provide the total Native American Special Education student #'s for the next AIPC monthly meeting.
 3. The need to update social media and the BVSD Title VI Program website.
 4. The upcoming 2026 summer camp opportunity which has a maximum participant level of 10 Native American families.

⇒ **Motion made by AIPC Chairperson Mary Martinez to update the current committee name from American Indian Parent Committee (AIPC) to American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC) for uniformity with the existing AIPAC w/in the United States. AIPC Secretary Tammy Muskelly seconds the motion. All in favor except community member Elijah McClendon abstains. AIPC Board working offline to get this task accomplished.**

⇒ **Motion made by AIPC Vice Chair Alison Takenaka to update AIPC Bylaws. Second, by an unknown person. All in favor. – Unfortunately, the data regarding who second this motion was not captured by the acting AIPC Secretary, but all individuals present agree that this motion was favored to pass and there were no votes of opposition.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.