



THE COW CREEK BAND OF UMPQUA INDIANS

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January 23, 1984

Dear Council Members:

All members are urged to attend the next Tribal Meeting at 2:00 p.m. on February 12, 1984, at the Tri City VFW Hall, for a discussion of our proposal for a HUD Community Development Grant.

Eligible activities for the \$250,000 grant includes: Economic Development, Housing and Public Facilities.

Current plans thus far, as agreed upon by Council Board Members, are a Land Acquisition and development for a possible Tribal base in the Canyonville area.

The HUD application will be available for viewing at the meeting and in the Tribal Office as of January 27, 1984. Your comments will be appreciated.

In a telephone conversation, from the tribal office, with Dennis Whittlesey, he said he would like the Tribal Members to know that he and Steve are going to attempt to negotiate a fair and reasonable settlement in the Land Claims Case. If this is not possible the case will go to court on the 16th of April. The trial will be held either in Portland or in Eugene depending on where there is a courtroom available.

The Settlement will be determined by what the land was valued at as of the date of taking. The Cow Creek Treaty was the first Treaty from the Oregon Territory to be Ratified by the Senate and because of that the Government will prevail on an early date of taking. Therefore this settlement will be less than those received by other Oregon Tribes because the land was valued at a lower figure.

Both Steve and Dennis would like to caution the Tribal Members not to expect a settlement of the size received by the Klamath Tribe.

We are indeed most fortunate to have a dedicated attorney like Mr. Whittlesey to carry on the work for the Tribe without receiving pay. Now, everyone should come forward and help us pay his bill. Currently, our bill to Mr. Whittlesey, not counting his last trip and work on the depositions, is in excess of \$7,000.

If you are able to make a donation at this time please forward to the Treasurer, Naomi (Rainville) Gould, P.O. Box 2402, Eugene, Oregon 97402.

In a few months we will be having a fund raiser and crafts will be sold. Donations of your crafts would be greatly appreciated.

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LAND CLAIMS CASE

The government attorney has requested that the Tribe enter into negotiations on the land claims case. The Board, on January 8, authorized Mr. Whittlesey to proceed with the negotiations. It has been anticipated for some time that the case would go to trial in late January or early February. Because both the Tribe and the government have now agreed to negotiate a possible settlement, the judge has set a trial date of April 16. This later trial date gives the government attorney and Mr. Whittlesey a period of approximately 60 days in which to discuss a settlement of the case. If an agreement is not reached by Mr. Whittlesey and the government's attorney, then the case will go to trial in April. The location of the trial will be either Eugene or Portland.

TOPICS OF BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 1984.

As we explained in the last newsletter, we will list the topics discussed in each board meeting. If you have questions to ask about those topics or wish to be put on the agenda for the next Board meeting, please contact the offices or Charles Jackson.

Board approved preliminary plans to hold a salmon bake, to be open to the public, in July in Canyonville.

Mr. Francis Harjo of the Klamath Tribe spoke to the Board and asked for support for their appeal on their Jobs Training Partnership Act grant which was submitted to the Department of Labor. The Board agreed to support their appeal.

Request for job performance report will be sent to the JTPA (Jobs Training Partnership Act) of the Organization of Forgotten Americans in Klamath Falls

By-laws - will work on revisions with Mr. Whittlesey in near future
Birth Certificates - individuals with children to be put on the tribal rolls must send a Certified Birth Certificate. Hospital records or certificates are not sufficient

Louella Michaels resigned as Chairman of the Personnel Committee. Sue Shaffer was chosen for the position of Chairman to replace Louella

Land Claims Case - Mr. Whittlesey authorized to negotiate with the government's attorney in behalf of the Tribe.

Native American Programs, Oregon Legal Services - request for name of representative to serve on Advisory Board

Brief discussion of upcoming meetings in Washington, D.C. to be attended by Sue Shaffer, Vice Chairman, and Kathryn Staiano. National Congress of American Indians meets from Jan. 17-19. Meetings are scheduled with our congressmen and with several individuals from other agencies and organizations.

TOPICS OF BOARD MEETING (cont.)

Needs Assessment Quantitative Report given to board members.
Authorization requested from Board before submission of report to federal agencies and others
Copies of invoices, record of assets given to Board members for their review
Evergreen Motel - discussion of progress on evaluation of economic development potential of site. Authorized expenditure of \$150 for cost estimates on possible renovations. Discussed meeting with Doug Luna from STOWW (Small Tribes of Western Washington)
Housing Improvement Project - briefly discussed new application form and changes in Bureau regulations governing the program and expenditure of funds this year
Public Health Nursing Program proposal submitted to IHS
Requested forms for Certificate of Indian Preference from Bureau.
New Tribes funding - no word from Central offices of Bureau on amount of funding
Core Management Grant application - will appeal decision of Area Service Area for IHS - no action taken to date by IHS central offices. Will discuss situation with Congressmen.
Administration for Native Americans - no word on funding. Start up date for project was supposed to be January 1st, according to ANA staff

~~Remember~~, this meeting will be the Quarterly Meeting. Please be there if at all possible. This meeting there will be a potluck afterwards. Hope to see you all there.



Carla S. Swanson
Secretary

On Friday February 3rd Joyce Griener from Oregon State University will be in the Tribal Office to meet with ANYONE interested in Higher Education. She will be here to help locate financial aid and to see that the forms are filled out properly, also to get those interested into the school of their choice. If you are interested be at the Tribal Office at 1 PM on Friday February 3rd. Joyce is with the Minority Education Program at Oregon State and she says not to worry about your grade point average. JUST BE HERE IF YOU WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL NEXT FALL!!!!!!!!!!!!