REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 1978
10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Tule River Indian Health Advisory Board, Inc., was called to order by Chairperson, Gloria Manuel at the Health Center at 10:00 A.M.

Roll Call was called by the Secretary.

Board Members Present
1. Gloria Manuel
2. Ludrie Gonzales
3. Edna Franco
4. Phil Hunter, Acting Secretary

Board Members Absent
1. Phyllis Rubio
2. Ruth Byars
3. Harry Williams

Staff Present
1. Rebecca Manuel
2. Rocky De La Garza
3. Dolores Vega
4. Barbara Lundin
5. Lola Ogden
6. Marcus Rodiliez
7. Jan Fredricks

MINUTES

The Minutes of October 26, 1978 was read, by the Secretary.

MOTION: Edna Franco made a motion to accept the minutes of October 26, 1978, which was seconded by Ludrie Gonzales.

VOTE: 3 FOR 0 AGAINST WITH 1 ABSTAINING, MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

A Memo was read from the Tribal Office stating that Barbara England will be at the Tribal Conference Room on November 22, 1978 at 9 A.M., to bring up to date information on the Tribal Specific Health Plan.

The Health Resolution supporting the Indian Manpower Program for Allied Health Career Training was read.
REPORTS

The October report of the Sanitation Coordinator was read. Marcus Rodilez stated that they have 17 trash cans left and Ludrie has a list where all the trash cans went. He also mentioned that, 9 dogs have to be on the list before the dog catcher can come up. He also mentioned the work they were doing, which is in his report. He asked if the V.A.C.C. could do some of the projects they were doing. It was mentioned that he check with the Tribal Office and if necessary leave a request.

The written October report of the C.H.R. Coordinator was read. The C.H.R. staff discussed the following areas with the board:

1. W.I.C. Program
2. Social Security
3. Medical Cards
4. Follow Up Care
   A. School Children
   B. Well Baby Clinic
   C. Dental
5. Prescriptions/Filling Prescriptions
   A. Policy: only Cris, Rebecca, and Jan can approve prescriptions, if they are not around than the staff is to use their own judgment.
6. Diet Pills/Tranquilizers
7. Transportation for Staff
8. Staff Job Description
   A. Staff has not received the up to date ones yet.
9. Home Visits
   A. Questions (by Board)
      a. How often should a Family be seen?
      b. Is there a Goal that we have to reach for Home Visits each month?
10. Dental
    A. "Who is Eligible for Services"
        a. Gloria- gave the background on this
        b. The Board will go over this on 11/3/78.
    B. Applications for Services
        a. They are at the center
        b. Emergencies- there was also a discussion on this.

It was mentioned by the staff that Doctor Spann and Rocky would like to meet with the Board. The Board suggested this could be done when they go over the contract with Dr. Spann.

The Board stated that NO GOLD can be purchased with program funds. They also mentioned that the 3rd party billing has not started yet. They also mentioned the Clinic does not have to be licensed, just certified by the state.

Staff mentioned that they are with the patients when the doctor examines them, only if the patient asks them, sometimes the patient does not want the staff to be around. It was mentioned that Barbara Lundin-F.N.P. could also be with the patients.

Rebecca Manuel will be meeting with Dr. Gray of Porterville regarding services, Thursday, November 2, 1978. It was mentioned that we have no contract with Dr. Young and he usually leaves anytime he wants to. He is paid $150.00 per day.
Jan Fredricks gave an oral report on the fiscal part of the program. She would have something written up at the meeting on 11/3/78.

FUNDING

Jan mentioned that we have one more month in our funding year and she was concentrating on the financial aspect, to have a true picture of how much funds we have to spend. She mentioned that no approval has been sent from C.R.I.H.B. Office regarding our equipment request yet. She said S.B. 52 funds could be put in another account or a Parent Account where all the funds could be held, also Rudy, our Auditor, would like to meet with the Board regarding these kinds of options.

She also mentioned that she has not heard from the assistant person to assist her with the books, which was from another funding source. The Board mentioned Virgil Vera could help with finding funds for someone to assist her.

RETIREMENT

Jan mentioned we would have to revise our policies regarding retirement, since we no longer pay into Social Security, but use the Pension Plan. Jan will work on the policies regarding the Retirement Section and present this to the board at a later date.

VAN INSURANCE

Jan mentioned that Mary Lai from Berkeley will send to us applications and questionnaires, so we could send off for our driving records. This is for Board and Staff so they will be able to drive the van if their driving records are ok. She said it would be better if we tried to obtain insurance from a high metropolitan area. This is due to fact that we are not receiving good service from the tribe. She mentioned we owe the tribe $1300.00 for insurance.

TRIBE BILLING

Jan mentioned we do not have any contracts or written agreements with the tribe and that it would be good to have these because this could be questioned if we are ever audited by a Federal Agency.

She expressed concern regarding the way the tribe bills us now. The way they bills us is with zero ledger cards, this also is the way the tribal store bills us. She said this is not to professional. She asked if a letter could be sent to the tribe regarding these matters.

MEETING WITH BANK OF AMERICA AND HEALTH PROGRAM

Jan asked if Gloria and Cris could meet with the new manager at the Bank of America regarding our contracts, finances and reimbursements from our funding agencies. She mentioned that the Bank might be able to help us when we are low on funds, if this meeting is held. The Board requested Jan to go ahead and set this meeting up. Jan said a letter from Perry Raglin would also be helpful in this matter.
The Board agreed to table Cris Sierra's report until Friday, 11/3/78.
There was no other business.

**MOTION:** Phil Hunter made a Motion to adjourn the meeting, which was Seconded by Ludrie Gonzales.

**VOTE:** 3 FOR 0 AGAINST WITH 1 ABSTAINING, MOTION CARRIED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Hunter, Acting Secretary

Gloria Manuel, Chairperson
Tule River Indian Health Advisory Board Inc.