

# TULE RIVER INDIAN HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

## TULE INDIAN RESERVATION

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Special Meeting  
May 1, 1980

A special meeting of the Tule River Indian Health Advisory Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Tule River Health Center by Chairman, Phil D. Hunter.

### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present

1. Ruby Bays - Secretary
2. Edna Franco - Vice Chairperson
3. Greg Gomez
4. Ludrie Gonzales - Treasurer
5. Phil D. Hunter - Chairman

#### Staff Present

1. Virgil Vera, Resource Developer

#### GRANT EXTENSION - 638 BOARD TRAINING

Virgil Vera, Resource Developer, explained status of Board Management training grant. He suggested and presented three (3) separate training programs and that the Board should select one (1) of which would be submitted to Mr. Molin Malicay of IHS/CPO.

Health Board then discussed the extension, scope of work and budget of this request. Ruby Bays made the suggestion to accept program Number 3.

Ludrie further requested that clarification of program and budget Number 3 be revised to include stipends and that if the Board has a training session at Tule River that the IHS/CPO, CRIHB and the State Department of Health Services be contacted to provide board management training at Tule River Indian Health Center. Board was in agreement to these changes. Ludrie Gonzales then made the motion to accept training program Number 3 with the clarifications. Motion was seconded by Ruby Bays, motion carried, vote was 4 for 0 against and 1 abstaining.

Note: Due to the absenteeism and verbal resignation of Alice Miranda, the Board suggested that Virgil contact the next three (3) persons with the highest numbers of votes to see if any of them were interested in sitting on the Board. Kim Nenna, Ruby Ramos and Ruben Gonzales were three (3) potential Health Board members. Ludrie informed the Board at this time, that Ruben Gonzales had changed his mind about sitting on the Board.

#### GRANT EXTENSION - 638 RESOURCE DEVELOPER (VIRGIL)

Virgil gave the Health Board a presentation on the program specialist proposal to be submitted to IHS/CPO.



The PL 93-638 Program Specialist proposal scope of work and budget were presented to the Health Advisory Board for approval and/or Health Board resolution. Ludrie or Edna suggested including utility line item in proposal. Also, the telephone line item be increased. After Health Board discussion, a motion was made by Ludrie Gonzales and seconded by Ruby Bays, to accept the proposal with a total budget of \$21,484, motion carried, vote was 4 for 0 against and 1 abstaining.

VIRGIL - EXPLANATION OF TRIHC CONTRACTING DIRECT WITH IHS OR CONTINUING WITH CRIHB SUB-CONTRACTING

Virgil recommended that the differences between contracting direct with IHS or continuing to operate under CRIHB should be understood by the Board. Virgil also mentioned that the Health Board should decide whether or not they wish to oppose the Tribal Council either verbally or by resolution. He further mentioned that according to Mr. Garfield, Mrs. Barbara England would be at the Tribal Council meeting May 5, 1980 to explain the benefits of contracting direct with the Indian Health Service under the authority of PL 93-638.

During the Health Board discussion, it was suggested that the Board would seek the recommendation of the Project Director. Virgil mentioned that if no action was taken tonight, either pro or con, and that if the Tribal Council went unopposed at the May 5, 1980 meeting, recommendations by the Board or TRIHC staff wouldn't make any difference because the Tribal Councils ultimate authority would force the Health Board to go with a "Director 638 Contract."

Virgil then made reference to the meeting of September 14, 1979, where the Tribal Council recommended that the TRIHC go with a direct 638 contract. The decision of the Tribal Council ruled in favor of the Health Board and staff. Virgil further stated that "there are no guarantees that the Tribal Council would rule in our favor a second time." At this time, the Board moved to table this issue until the next meeting.

SANITATION'S JOB CLASSIFICATION

SB-52 changed Marcus Rodilez's job title to Environmental Health Specialist for sanitation services at Tule River Health Center.

Discussion by Health Board and Virgil Vera, Resource Developer, in regards to Environmental Health Specialist position and garbage packer to be turned over to the tribal council because of lack of Tribal Council assistance in implementing sanitation program for Tule River.

Previous recommendations were made to the Tribal Council in regards to billing residents for solid waste collection in order that the Health program could generate income to maintain and/or replace Pup-Picker after a period of five years or so. There was no council decision on this issue.

Virgil Vera left the meeting after Board discussion on this matter.

CHECK #1428

This check was in regards to a Seven-0-2 Pharmacy purchase order.



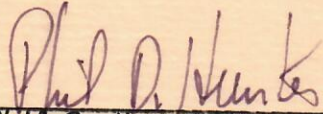
BANK CARD SIGNATURES

Ludrie Gonzales, Phil Hunter, Edna Franco (she said this was her last time for signing checks), and Ruby Bays signed the bank signature cards for Bank of America, Security Pacific and Bank of the Sierras.

YOUTH PROJECT-RUDY MANUAL.

Rudy Manuel was not present to give a report.

Being no further business, Edna Franco made a motion to adjourn. Ruby Bays seconded the motion, motion carried, vote was 3 for 0 against and 1 abstaining. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 a.m.



Phil D. Hunter, Chairman



Ruby Bays, Secretary