



NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES Via TEAMS

June 4, 2021

116 West Jones Street
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699

WELCOME: Rev. Ricky Burnett, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:01 am with a quorum being present. This meeting was held via TEAMS (virtual meeting). The Chairman congratulated Secretary Pamela Cashwell regarding her appointment as Secretary of the NC Department of Administration and welcomed her to the Commission meeting. He acknowledged and welcomed the Commission Members, Tribal Leaders, Chiefs, State Officials, staff, and guests to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was presented, with no objections by the membership.

INVOCATION: Rev. Chief Michael Jacobs, Commission Member, Waccamaw-Siouan Tribe, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Sam Lambert led the membership and guests in the presentation of the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Chairman noted that when Commission members names are called, each member will need to state their name and affirmation. In addition, he indicated that members need to state if they “approve” the agenda and March 11th meeting minutes.

Coharie	Isabell Freeman-Elliott	Absent
Coharie	Lenora Locklear	Present
Cumberland County Association for Indian People	Helen Cook	Present
Cumberland County Association for Indian People	Gladys Hunt	Absent
Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation	Sam Lambert	Present
Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation	Carolyn West	Present
Guilford Native American Association	Vacant	Vacant
Guilford Native American Association	DeVane Burnette, Sr.	Present
Haliwa Saponi	Jeffrey Anstead	Present
Haliwa Saponi	Charles (Pete) Richardson	Absent
Lumbee	Larece Hunt	Present
Lumbee	Ricky Burnett	Present
Lumbee	Furnie Lambert	Present
Meherrin	Constance Mitchell	Absent
Metrolina Native American Association	Walter D. Baucom	Present
Metrolina Native American Association	Rebecca LaClaire	Present
Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation	Tony Hayes	Present



ROLL CALL *(Continued)*

Sappony	Dorothy Yates	Present
Triangle Native American Society	Danny Bell	Present
Waccamaw Siouan	Elton R. Jacobs	Present
Waccamaw Siouan	Chief Michael Jacobs	Present

STATE OFFICIALS

President Pro Tem Appointee	Daniel Locklear	Absent
Speaker of the House Appointee	Wanda Burns-Ramsey	Present
Department of Administration (DOA), Pamela Brewington Cashwell, Secretary Designee: David Elliott, Deputy Secretary		Present
Department of Commerce/ ESC, Machel Sanders, Secretary Designee: Betty Marrow Taylor, Chief of Staff		Present
Department of Environment Quality (DEQ), John Nicholson, Interim Secretary Designee: Renee Kramer Representative: Sheila Holman, NCDEQ		Present
Department of Health & Human Services, Dr. Mandy Cohen, Secretary Designee: Melanie Bush, Chief Administrative		Present
Department of Labor, Josh Dobson, Commissioner Designee: Erin Wilson		Present
Department of Cultural Resources, Advisor, John Mintz - Non-Voting Member		Present

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

NCNAYO	Kaloni Walton - Non-Voting Member	Absent
NCNAYO	Dylan Hammonds (Co-Chair) - Non-Voting Member	Absent
NC NACOHE	Joshua L Richardson - Non-Voting Member	Present

STAFF PRESENT

Gregory Richardson, Executive Director
Daphne Pinto, Administrative Secretary
Kimberly Hammonds, Program Director, Economic Development Program &
Supporting Undergraduate Native Students Program
Steven (Steve) Maynor, Program Director, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program
Candace Lowry, Program Director, Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act Program

OTHER STATE OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mark Teague, Attorney, NC Department of Justice

OTHERS PRESENT: List is on file with the Commission.

ETHICS STATEMENT: The Executive Director read the Ethics Statement on Behalf of the Chairman Burnett. He urged Commission Members to declare any conflicts of interest, or the appearances of conflicts of interest, that may exist in relation to any business matters before the Commission, as mandated by the State Ethics Act. Commissioner Rebecca McClaire noted conflict with an organization presenting during the meeting regarding the Upstream Program and that she is a consultant with that organization.



APPROVAL OF March 11, 2021, MEETING MINUTES: The minutes of the March 11, 2021, meeting were presented. The minutes were accepted by consent, with no objections the minutes were accepted.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Roanoke Island Historical Association (RIHA), Outdoor Drama Lost Colony:

Mr. Harvey Godwin Jr., Chairman, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and Board Member of the Lost Colony Drama presented the following information:

- Informed that American Indians were attending and participating in the outdoor drama. He noted that American Indians were cast in the drama “Adventure in a New World – The Lost Colony”.
- Expressed that it was an all-native cast for the native rolls. Production team has protected indigenous people from racial attacks.
- A PowerPoint presentation was presented regarding the drama, which included photos of the drama.
- He noted that there are opportunities to partner with all the tribes of North Carolina.
- Noted that the actors wore authentic American Indian dress.
- Stated that it will be the largest outdoor drama in the United States.
- Chairman Godwin encouraged everyone to attend the drama as a sign of support.

No handout was provided.

Comments from Commission:

- Chairman Rev. Burnett asked Chairman Godwin to email his presentation to Greg Richardson and Board members.

New Secretary – NC Department of Administration, Pamela Cashwell, Secretary, NC Department of Administration – Moved to later in the agenda, due to a conflict in her schedule.

COVID-19/ Impact on American Indian Communities:

Dr. Cardra Burns, Deputy Secretary for Operational Excellence, NC Department of Health and Human Services presented a PowerPoint presentation. Topics discussed are as follows:

- COVID-19 Vaccine data
- Driving Demand for Vaccination: NC Summer Cash Cards; Healthier Together Partnerships
- Vaccine and Testing Vendor Partnerships

The handout, PowerPoint presentation “COVID-19-Impact on American Indian Communities” is attached and is an official part of the minutes (**Attachment A**).

Comments from Commission:

- Chairman Burnett asked Dr. Burns to email her presentation to Mr. Greg Richardson and all Board members.

American Indian Related Bills Introduced in the NC General Assembly this quarter.



Rep. Charles Graham, NC General Assembly – Was not present therefore his presentation was moved to later in the agenda this quarter.

Executive Director's Report – Action Item

The Executive discussed in brief the highlights from the Executive Director's report as follows:

- American Relief Program ARPA Funding for NC Tribes, Associations and NC Commission of Indian Affairs. It was stated that the Governor has included \$18 M in his budget to support this effort. It was noted that funding must be approved by state legislature.
- Announced that the Governor has appointed an American Indian, Mrs. Pamela Brewington Cashwell, Coharie and Lumbee Tribe, as Secretary to Department of Administration. He provided a brief overview of Secretary's Cashwell qualifications and experience. Mr. Richardson expressed that he was proud that the Governor has appointed American Indian in such a key position and that the Governor's Cabinet looked like North Carolina's population.
- Welcomed Mr. David Elliott who is the Deputy Secretary, for the Department of Administration, replaced Ms. Betty Marrow Taylor. He will be Designee for Secretary Cashwell on the Commission.
- He also welcomed Ms. Betty Marrow Taylor as Designee for Mrs. Machel Sanders, who has been appointed Secretary for the NC Department of Commerce.
- Welcomed Ms. Melanie Bush, Chief Administrative Office, NC Department of Health and Human Services, has replaced Ms. David Locklear who retired early this year. She will now serve as Secretary Mandy Cohen's designee on the Commission.
- Announced that the Section 8 Housing Program received \$2.1M in new funding for an Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.
- Discussed the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBBP)
- Announced Governor Cooper's Proclamation on Missing and Murdered American Indian and Indigenous Women (MMAIW) Proclamation.
- Announced that a vacant position for the WIOA program has been filled for the Sampson County office.
- Announced Commission Members whose terms will end June 30, 2021.
- Announced that the 2022 NC Indian Unity Conference will be held at North Raleigh Hilton Hotel in conjunction with the NC Commission of Indian Affairs Meeting.
- Program Director Quarterly Briefing - Included in the Board packet.
- The Executive Director's Report - Included in the Board packet.
- The Executive Director Report was accepted by consent item, no objection and action to adopt the Executive Director Report will be taken at the end of the meeting.

The handout "Executive Director Report" is attached and is an official part of the minutes (**Attachment B**)

Legislative Budget Update: Ms. Katie Hall, Legislative Liaison, NC Department of Administration. – Moved to later in the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Chairman Rev. Burnett announced that only action items to be reported.

Adhoc Goals Committee – No Action Item.



Adhoc Indian Health Committee – No Action Item.

PRESENTATIONS:

Partnerships for Upstream: Ms. Aubrey LeGrand, Regional Director Partnership for Upstream USA presented the following:

- Upstream USA works to expand access to contraception across the U.S. They work in partnership with health centers to strengthen reproductive care and autonomy and increase equitable access to the full range of contraceptive options.
- Work is fully funded and any agency that partners with them, there is no cost to them.
- Location of offices: North Carolina, Delaware, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts
- North Carolina ranks 30th in national maternal mortality rate, rate 13th in the national Infant mortality rate.
- Strong partnership with Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). It was noted that Dr. Mandy Cohen and Dr. Ronnie Bell are strong supporters of Upstream and the Native Indian Community.
- Discussed Upstream North Carolina Advisory Committee.
- Upstream helps North Carolina American Indian (AI) communities and wants to serve the population. Noted that they are in contact with Commission member Rebecca LaClaire additionally contacted American Indian Health Commission (AIHC). The AIHC has approved the comprehensive health program to help with the AI communities.
- Upstream is committed to help the needs of the American Indian community.
- Discussed and noted that many patients face barriers when accessing birth control.
- Discussed technical support, training, patient education, etc.
- Discussed Upstream training, live workshops, and e-learning.
- Noted that Upstream is a reproduction health organization that utilizes a reproductive justice framework for its programs
- Discussed data connection – Using another company to secure patient information. The company is HIPPA compliant.
- Discussed measures and types of surveys used.
- In conclusion, Ms. LeGrand shared her email address alegrand@upstream.org. She indicated the goal is to support patients with what is right for them “Empowered patients to make their own decision about which birth control method is right for them”.

No handout was provided. However, the PowerPoint presentation will be circulated to Commission members after the meeting. The presentation will be kept on file for reference.

WellCare Medicaid Health Plans – Available to American Indians: Jessica Beach, Program Manager, Tribal Relations Manager WellCare of North Carolina for Medicaid and Teryn Brewington, Tribal Liaison, Healthy Blue, with Blue Cross Blue Shield, presented a brief overview as follows:

- Announced that Medicaid in North Carolina is changing. The “Medicaid Transformation” plan will move most of the NC Medicaid services for adults and children, within the managed care model. Most individuals and families currently on Medicaid will be required to enroll in one of the health plans available in their community.
- Discussed in brief Prepaid Health Plan (PHP).



- Noted that open enrollment began in January 2021 and closed end of May 2021. Ms. Beach discussed Medicaid beneficiary could select for the various health plans available. She listed some of them as follows: WellCare of North Carolina, Healthy Blue, United Health Care, Carolina Complete Health, and others.
- Discussed auto assign where the state assigns programs to individuals who did not sign for a program through one of the Prepaid Health Plans (PHP). It was indicated that no eligibility criteria have changed through this process. Also noted if something was covered before it will continue.
- Discussed and explained what is different in each of the health plans, indicated that value will be added to the benefit. Example: transportation, vaccines to caregivers, breast pumps, etc.
- Provided an overview of the Medicaid transformation timeline, important information for NC Tribal communities and will identify opportunities to receive information or bring information to the community. A tribal liaison is appointed for this purpose during the transition period of Medicaid and is designed to be a good resource and partner with the tribal communities.
- Ms. Teryn Brewington, Tribal Liaison informed everyone that their goal is to streamline things to identify and collaborate. She expressed that the tribal liaison would look at what percentage in each tribe are eligible and have enrolled in Medicaid.

Comments from Commission:

- Commission members asked clarifying questions with both presenters which tribal communities they were serving. They indication was that they serve all tribal communities.
- It was noted that once the tribal liaison knows who the recipients are and what their needs are, the tribal liaison will streamline the programs to better serves their communities.
- The liaison collaborates with the state on data collection regarding tribal information.
- Commission members asked Ms. Beach to share the presentation and different health plans with them so they can take it back to their communities.
- Commissioner Jeff Anstead requested to be excused from the meeting as he had to attend another meeting. He left at 11:54 am.

Ms. Melanie Bush, Chief Administration Officer, NC Department of Health and Human Services. Informed that she is responsible for Medicaid transformation. She expressed that she could also be a point of resource.

No handout was provided.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Continued

New Secretary – NC Department of Administration, Pamela Cashwell, Secretary, NC Department of Administration

Secretary Cashwell informed that her appointment of April 12, 2021, has been confirmed by the Senate and that it was unanimous. She presented background regarding her previous work experience. She noted that she was Chief Deputy Secretary of Department of Public Safety, prior to joining Department of Administration. She previously dealt with Hurricane Management Issues and Emergency Management issues among other duties. Secretary Caswell expressed that she is here to support the Commission of Indian Affairs and looks forward to working with all.

Adhoc Land Trust Committee - No Action Item



Veterans Committee - No Action Item

Cultural Resources Committee – No Action Item. Commissioner Danny Bell introduced Mr. John Mintz, Chief Archaeologist, NC Department of Cultural Resources.

Mr. Mintz gave a brief overview on the archeologist resource and cultural resource as follows:

- South River American Indian dugout canoe at the Coharie tribal area, dates to 1340-1396.
- He noted that mid 1300's is when the canoe was constructed. The canoe has been in archeology conservation and will be transported back to the Coharie Tribal Center.
- The Lake Waccamaw dugout canoe is 25feet long, dates to 1025-1160. It is currently undergoing conversation.
- It was noted that the team will be going out to locate and survey more dugout canoes. They will be inviting the American Indian community as they go out to do surveys.
- Discussed Marine Core Reserve Association – Veterans are remembered by Bronze Medallion. Mr. Mintz noted that he will be sharing at information with Commission members later.
- Discussed American Indian Cemetery Workshops, being offered and designed to help preserve and protect graveyards.
- In conclusion, Mr. Mintz expressed that NC Department of Cultural Resources is seeing how they can better assist American Indian history of past, present, and future.

Comments from Commission:

- Commission members asked clarifying questions
- Commission member noted Senate Bill 765, expressed concerns that it will be taking away from the Commission.

No handout was provided.

Employment and Training Committee – No Action Item

Environmental Justice Committee - No Action Item

Indian Child Welfare Committee - No Action Item

Indian Education Committee –Ms. Dorothy Yates, Chairwoman, noted that there is no action item. The following were announced:

- American Indian Fund Scholarship received 50 applications, 34 were funded due to lack of funds.
- Expressed that there has been a reduction in funding received for the American Indian License plate sales, thereby reducing the amount of scholarship funds. This is the first year the AI Fund Scholarship was unable to fund all the applications. A complete report will be given at the September meeting.
- The proposed State Advisory Council on Indian Education (SACIE) appointments for 2021-2022, were approved at the March 2021 Commission Meeting. It was noted that the SACIE report was approved at the Board of Education (BOE) meeting in May 2021.
- SACIE will be establishing a sub-committee that will addressing American Indian Mascot issues.

Indian Housing Committee - No Action Item



Updates from Steve Maynor is as follows:

- AARP Funds: Funding received from Treasury, through HUD to the Section 8 Housing Program.
- Received 414 Emergency Housing Vouchers to serve clients throughout the state of North Carolina who are facing or at risk for homelessness and fleeing domestic violence.
- Application Process: Explained the process of accepting the application, entering the system, working in conjunction with NC Continuing of Care for the Balance of State. A referral will be generated. The vouchers are rated and generated to where the clients are based. Depending on the rating of the referral, the vouchers are issued on a first come-first-served basis.
- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program serves the following seven counties: Columbus, Halifax, Sampson, Hoke, Person, Grandville, and Warren counties. It was noted that if a client applies and resides from outside the area, they will be able to utilize the vouchers.
- In conclusion, Mr. Maynor informed that the program will use portability through HUD. It was noted that Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program will not be physically administering the voucher., There will be additional funds allocated to increase the landlord participation. Bonus (such as moving furniture, etc.) will be included as incentives. The capacity of which Section 8 Housing Program serves is 980 vouchers. The capacity is increased by 40%. The program will bring in two new staff members to help assist with the additional workload. Mr. Maynor informed that he will work with Dept. of Administration Management Team and Human Resources for hiring of new staff.
- Mr. Maynor informed the Commission that the recommendation will be brought back to the Commission at the next meeting. The recommendation is included in the Administrative Plan.

No handout was provided.

Legislative Committee – No Action Item

Recognition Committee: No Action Item.

Veterans Committee: No Action Item.

Wrap-Up Presentation:

Emergency Broadband Benefits Plan – Governor Cooper’s Proposed Budget to Close the Digital Divide:

Mr. Nate Denny, NCDIT Chief of Staff and Legislative Liaison and Ms. Angela Bailey, NCDIT Assistant Director of Broadband Infrastructure Office presented the following:

- Discussed the Digital Divide in North Carolina: Infrastructure; Affordability; Digital Literacy and Enablement.
- Discussed key Goals: By 2025, North Carolina will become a top-5 state for high-speed internet adoption rates while equitable eliminating North Carolina’s digital divide by making home internet subscriptions affordable to all households, especially those with children.
- Discussed Measuring Success: Household with broadband Internet access; Household with broadband internet subscriptions; Household with children with broadband internet subscriptions; Adoption rates across racial subgroups (American Indian; Black; Latinx; White)
- Discussed Approach and Initiative Investment: Governor Cooper proposes closing the digital divide with a \$1.2 billion state investment, using funds from the American Rescue Plan, in the following areas to achieve



Infrastructure: \$600M to deploy fiber for Internet service; \$350M for Grants; \$150M for Competitive Bidding; \$100M for Stop Gap Solutions ranging from hotspots; support telemedicine usage; tower construction; pole replacement, and other. More short term. Projects. Affordability; Digital Literacy and Enablement; Administrative (operational support).

- Discussed additional funding with private sector matching funds for high-speed internet across the state.
- Discussed the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program. Ms. Bailey noted that \$3.2B Program launched in May 2021. Discount \$50 per month; \$75 for household on tribal lands; \$100 discount for laptops and devices. The household must qualify for income eligibility. Anyone who qualify for Medicaid, SNAP, Free and Reduced Lunch should be eligible for this program.
- Discussed 3-ways to apply: Broadband Provide; Emergency broadband.org; mail in application.
- Provided email address as follows: nate.denny@nc.gov; angie.bailey@nc.gov for additional information.

No handout was provided.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Continued

Legislative Budget Update: Ms. Katie Hall, Legislative Liaison, NC Department of Administration Update on budget matters. House and Senate leaders have not been able to agree on overall revenue. Secretary Caswell is meeting with Budget Chairs and sub-Committee Chairs.

American Indian Related Bills Introduced in the NC General Assembly

Rep. Charles Graham, NC General Assembly. Mr. Brandon Combs, Legislative Assistant presented a brief overview. The following items were discussed:

- Crossover of HB 600, Occaneechi Band of Saponi Nation, passed by wide margins
- HB 601, Assistant Director Bill is included.
- HB 701, State Recognition Support Staff, and \$100,000 request for funding
- Heritage Commission Bill is on track and \$250,000 in funding is included.
- HB 930, Birth Certificate is still in play.

Comments from Commission:

- Question was asked on how much money is appropriated in HB 765, Indian Heritage Commission? It was indicated that \$250,000 was included.
- Rep. Graham joined the meeting and asked if members had any questions.

- Rep. Graham indicated that the budget will later be submitted to the Governor after it is passed by House and the Senate.

FLOWER FUND REPORT: Ms. Wanda Burns-Ramsey, Secretary/ Treasurer, presented the following:

- Flower Fund: Balance is \$ 235.39. Flowers were sent to the family of Tony Hayes.

No handout was provided.

COMMISSION POLO-SHIRT UPDATE: Ms. Kimberly Hammonds presented the following:



- Polo Shirt – All order has been received. However, due to the pandemic they have not been delivered.
- Ms. Hammonds informed that the vendor will honor the price for new Commission members if they wish to order the polo shirt. She explained in brief details the design and logo of the shirts.
- The new orders will be taken at the next in-person Commission meeting.
- Details of the price are as follows: Polo-shirt with logo only is \$25; Personalized Polo-shirts will be an additional \$5.
- Ms. Hammonds read the list of members and staff who ordered the shirts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tribal Announcements from Commission Members: Commission members announced their upcoming events.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Director’s report was the only item on the consent agenda. Chairman Rev. Burnett informed Commissioner Yates that the agenda, and March 11, 2021, Meeting Minutes were adopted during the roll call at the beginning of the meeting.

Commissioner Dorothy Yates made a motion to approve the Director’s report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tony Hayes. Motion carried.

At the beginning of the meeting, during the Roll Call, the following was stated:

Chairman Rev. Burnett along with Mr. Greg Richardson requested members to state their names, yes for approval, no if not approving the consent / Agenda and Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2021.

Vote-Roll Call:

Members	Yes	No	Remarks
Isabell Freeman-Elliott			Absent
Lenora Locklear	Yes		Approved
Helen Cook	Yes		Approved
Gladys Hunt			Absent
Sam Lambert	Yes		Approved
Carolyn West	Yes		Approved
Vacant – N/A-Guilford Native			
DeVane Burnett, Sr.			No Response
Jeffrey Anstead	Yes		Approved
Charles Richardson			Absent
Larece Hunt	Yes		Approved



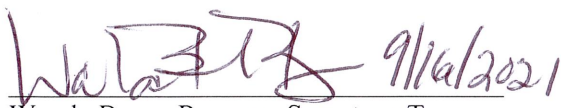
Furnie Lambert			No Response
Ricky Burnett	Yes		Approved
Constant Mitchell			Absent
Rebecca LaClaire	Yes		Approved
Walter D. Baucom	Yes		Approved
Tony Hayes	Yes		Approved
Dorothy Yates	Yes		Approved
Danny Bell	Yes		Approved
Elton R Jacobs	Yes		Approved
Michael Jacobs	Yes		Approved
Daniel Locklear			No response
Wanda Burns-Ramsey	Yes		Approved
State Officials	Yes	No	Remarks
David Elliott			No Response
Betty Marrow-Taylor	Yes		Approved
Rene Kramer	Yes		Approved
Melanie Bush			No Response
Erin Wilson	Yes		Approved

Total: 15-Commission members voted “Yes”. 3-State Officials voted “Yes”. Mr. Greg Richardson noted that a quorum was still in effect; therefore, the action items are approved.

FUTURE MEETING DATES & EVENTS: The meeting dates were listed on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further items to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting, was made by Commissioner Tony Hayes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sam Lambert. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2021. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the meeting will be held via Microsoft TEAMS.


Wanda Burns-Ramsey, Secretary-Treasurer
NC Commission of Indian Affairs
(Sign & Date)


Daphne Pinto, Recording Secretary
(Sign & Date)



These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs on September 3, 2021.

Wanda Burns-Ramsey 9/14/2021

Wanda Burns-Ramsey, Secretary-Treasurer
NC Commission of Indian Affairs
(Sign & Date)



N.C. COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

[REDACTED]
June 4, 2021

AGENDA (DRAFT)

Commission Meeting	11:00 a.m.
Welcome, Call to Order & Adoption of Agenda	Rev. Ricky Burnett, Chairman, NC Commission of Indian Affairs
Invocation	Rev. Michael Jacobs, Chief, Waccamaw Siouan Indian Tribe and Commission Member
Roll Call	Daphne Pinto, Administrative Secretary
Pledge of Allegiance	Furnie Lambert, (Marine Corp Veteran) Commission Member
Ethics Statement	Greg Richardson, Executive Director
Approval of March 11, 2021, Meeting Minutes	Rev. Ricky Burnett, Chairman
Special Presentations:	
Roanoke Island Historical Association (RIHA), Outdoor Drama Lost Colony	Harvey Godwin Jr., Chairman, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and Board Member, Lost Colony
New Secretary - NC Department of Administration	Pamela Cashwell, Secretary, NC Department of Administration
COVID-19/Impact on American Indian Communities	Dr. Cardra Burns, Deputy Secretary for Operational Excellence, NC Department of Health and Human Services
American Indian Related Bills Introduced in the NC General Assembly	Rep. Charles Graham, NC General Assembly
1:00 p.m.	
Executive Director's Report-Action Item	Gregory Richardson, Executive Director, NC Commission of Indian Affairs
• Legislative Budget Update	Kate Hall, Legislative Liaison, NC Department of Administration
• Staff Quarterly Program Reports-Action Item	Included in Commission Packet
Commission Committee Reports	
(Committees will report on action items Only)	
Adhoc Goals Committee Report and Presentation	Wanda Burns-Ramsey, Chairwoman

<p>Adhoc Indian Health</p> <p>Presentation on Partnership for Upstream</p> <p>Aubrey LeGrand, Regional Director, Partnerships for Upstream.</p> <p>WellCare Medicaid Health Plans Available to American Indians</p> <p>Jessica Beach, Program Manager, Tribal Relations Manager WellCare</p>	<p>Charles Richardson, Chairman</p>
<p>Adhoc Land Trust</p>	<p>Furnie Lambert, Chairman</p>
<p>Cultural Resources</p> <p>Presentation and Update on Dugout Canoes John Mintz, Chief Archaeologist NC Department of Cultural Resources</p>	<p>Danny Bell, Chairman</p>
<p>Employment and Training</p>	<p>Walter Baucom, Chairman</p>
<p>Environmental Justice</p>	<p>Jeff Anstead, Chairman</p>
<p>Indian Child Welfare</p>	<p>Carolyn West, Chair</p>
<p>Indian Education</p>	<p>Dorothy Yates, Chairwoman</p>
<p>Indian Housing</p>	<p>Elton Ray Jacobs, Chairman</p>
<p>Legislative</p>	<p>Tony Hayes, Chair</p>
<p>Recognition Committee</p>	<p>Larece Hunt, Chairman</p>
<p>Veterans</p>	<p>Sam Lambert, Chairman</p>
<p>Wrap-Up Presentation</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Broadband Benefits Plan Governor Cooper's Proposed Budget to Close the Digital Divide 	<p>Nate Denny, NCDIT Chief of Staff and Legislative Liaison</p> <p>Angela Bailey, NCDIT Assistant Director of Broadband Infrastructure Office</p>

Plans and Report Commission (Start - End) Key/Commitment to the Commission Members (200 pp)	Meeting Dates, Times, Locations Attendance
2021 Commission Meetings	September 3 – In Person Meeting December 3 – In Person Meeting
2022 Commission Meeting Schedule	March 2022-In Conjunction with the NC Indian Unity Conference, Raleigh, NC June 2022- LTBD

NC Commission of Indian Affairs

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