

Committee tends to business at meeting

At a recent Title IV, Part A parent committee meeting, officers were elected and the culture camp, junior high counselor position, 1983/84 budget and graduation banquet were all discussed.

New committee members include: Pinky Beymer, Verbena Greene, Anna Hurtado, Tommy Kalama, Louise Katchia, Marceline LeClaire, Doris Miller, Evaline Patt, Arlita Rhoan, Liz Rhoan, Kay Sixkiller, Geneva Smith, Ramona Tanewasha, Lepha Smith, Nancy Pitt, Pat Crocker, Bob Hastings, Lorraine Lavenik, Austin Smith and Jerry Sampson. The committee decided at the time of the elections that 20 of the 22 positions be filled with the other two left vacant to be filled by alternative education and high school students.

Of these members, Jerry Sampson was elected chairman, Kay Sixkiller was elected vice-chairman and Evaline Patt, Anna Hurtado and Geneva Smith were elected as representatives-at-large.

Madras Elementary Principal Tony Miller was hired as administrator of the culture camp and Tommy Kalama was hired as head teacher. Miller and Kalama were directed to seek and hire a third culture camp instructor.

Phil Riley reported that apparently there will be no cuts in the 1983-84 Title IV, Part A budget. He suggested however, that possible additions or

changes in the budget include culture camp, summer school and the possible deletion of the Junior high counselor position. The committee met May 17 and decided to reinstate the position but to replace the current counselor Doyle Whipple. The committee expressed a desire to be more actively involved in the selection process of selecting and hiring of a new counselor for the junior high school position since the position is funded by Title IV Part A monies.

It was reported that a total of 62 graduating students will be honored at the graduation banquet scheduled for Tuesday May 31 at the Agency Longhouse. This figure included 47 graduating from high school, the other 15 are either receiving their GEDs or graduating from boarding schools.

Other items discussed at the May 10 meeting included a report on the Oregon Indian Education conference attended by Jerry Sampson and the Northwest Indian Youth Conference attended by Ned Hurtado. The committee also heard a JOM report given by Margie Earl. Four junior high Indian students were selected to be pages at the Oregon State Capitol. Because two of the students are not recognized tribal members, JOM could not fund their trip. Earl requested funding for the two tribal members.

Committee members needed

Committee appointments have been rescheduled to June 15, 1983, so if you are interested in serving on a Tribal Council committee, please send in your name, address, phone number and brief statement as to why you are interested in committing yourself to the committee (s) of your choice.

And for those of you who have had time to consider further after sending in your initial application, you still have until June 15th to let us know you are interested in being on other committees. Bring your application in to the Tribal Council office by June 15th; Council needs you!

BIA issues realignment concept paper

A Bureau of Indian Affairs concept paper on reducing costs at the central office and area office levels by consolidating administrative functions and making other changes has been sent to Indian leaders for review and counsel, Interior Assistant Secretary Ken Smith said.

The concept paper on "streamlining the Bureau of Indian Affairs" has been sent to nine tribal leaders, appointed by NTCA and NCAI in March to function as an Indian Policy Review Team for Smith and Interior Secretary James Watt.

The concept paper was also sent to BIA area directors with instructions that it be distributed to every tribe within their areas.

Smith's instruction to the area director states: "The consultation process on the option that is being proposed in the paper must begin as soon as possible." He added that when the area directors meet with the central office to prepare for the detailed work on the realignment, the tribes' initial reactions to this proposal should be brought along. The approval submitted to the tribal leaders includes the

following:

- 1) Merging the two Oklahoma area offices into one—with Oklahoma City as a possible site;
- 2) Consolidating administrative support services—such as personnel, budget and financial services—at five locations;
- 3) On the Navajo Reservation, consolidating administrative support functions at the area office level;
- 4) Retaining the existing area offices, except in Oklahoma, for program management and technical assistance;
- 5) Implementing various principles for improved management, such as the transfer of all operating functions to the agency level where economically and legally feasible; elimination of unnecessary paperwork and other wasteful management actions at the central and area levels; and redefining the central and area staff role to that of program review and support rather than supervision of operating programs.

The five locations proposed for administrative support functions are: Aberdeen, South Dakota, serving the Aberdeen



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Up With People students visited classrooms in the area's schools the day of their performance at Madras High school gymnasium. The Up With People students tour the country as a year-long learning experience.

EIA eradicated on reservation

"We are asking council to lift the quarantine. The state has agreed to do it. Now it is only a matter of time," says Jefferson county extension agent Clint Jacks.

Eight thousand blood samples have been taken from equine stock since the beginning of the EIA program in February of 1981. Many horses have been tested more than once.

Positive horses have been sold along with uncontrollable stock to eliminate any threat of the disease. After over two years of trying to combat the disease no positive horses can be found on the reservation. Approximately 1000 tame horses remain on the reservation after 2,291 have been sold because of positive test returns or as uncontrollable stock.

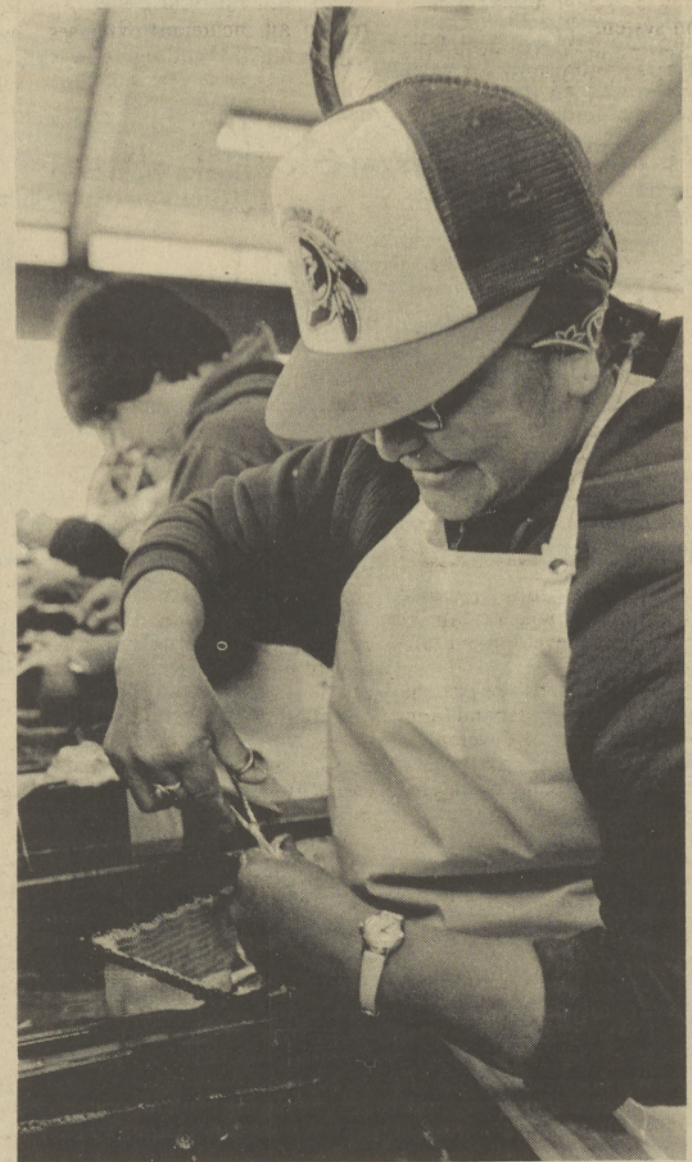
Along with eliminating unhealthy horses from the reservation the program is beneficial in that it will improve

the grasslands of the reservation. Overgrazing has reduced forage and caused increased soil erosion over the years.

With the reservation eradicated of EIA a program to test a sample number of equine stock every year for future signs of the disease is being looked at. This is a preventive measure so the people of the Warm

Springs reservation do not have to go through a program like this again, Jacks explained.

Plans for an official date for the lifting of the quarantine are being made. Director of the State Department of Agriculture has agreed upon a June 2 or June 9 date to be in Warm Springs. The range committee is hoping to have a dinner at that time in celebration.



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CLIPPING FINS—Mary Ann Meanus is one of several people clipping ventral fins on eight month old fingerling spring chinook at the Warm Springs fish hatchery. The clipped fin marks hatchery stock from wild stock. The workers will have clipped 800 thousand fingerlings at the end of a three week period. The fingerlings will be released this fall and next spring.

The BIA's 1983 appropriation mandates a reduction of \$8 million in overhead costs in the central office and area offices. A further reduction of \$9.4 million is in the 1984 budget request.