NWIHA Winter Conference Agenda
Hilton Seattle Airport and Conference Center
January 25-26, 2022

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 – Glacier/Horizon Rooms

7:00 am
Registration and Continental Breakfast – Summit Foyer

8:15 am
Business
- Roll Call: Diana Phair, Secretary
- Approval of Agenda: Laurie Ann Cloud, Chairwoman
- Introductions: Laurie Ann Cloud, Chairwoman
- Approval of Consent Agenda: Laurie Ann Cloud, Chairwoman
  - Minutes of previous meeting (September 14-15, 2021)
  - Treasurer’s Report: (Year Ending 12/31/2021)

9:30 am
Updates
- NAIHC Update: Sami Jo Difuntorum, NAIHC Liaison
- ATNI Update: Shonn Leno, ATNI Liaison
- AMERIND Update: Ron Ryan, AMERIND Liaison

10:00 am
Break: Please visit Exhibitor tables and get door prize forms stamped

10:30 am
Committee Reports (legislative, training, bylaws, legal, etc.)

11:00 am
Agency Reports
- NwONAP: Tom Carney and staff will provide updates on funding opportunities, training, and regulatory updates.
- US Department of Treasury (invited): representatives from Treasury will share an update on the ERA reallocation process and timeline, along with any other ERA and HAF updates, allowing time for questions.

12:00 pm
Lunch: On your own

1:30 pm
Member Presentations: we are working with one of our NWIHA tribal members to showcase a project and/or program they would like to share. More on this later.

2:30 pm
Break: Please visit with Exhibitors and get your door prize forms stamped

3:00 pm
Roundtable Discussions (closed session): this is an opportunity for our Voting Members to come together and discuss and share issues and concerns with their fellow members.

4:30 pm
Recess Business Meeting

5:30 pm
Banquet (Alpine Room)
- Youth Scholarship Auction. Former NWIHA Director and auctioneer Joe Diehl will be on hand to conduct the auction.
- Associate Member Introductions: Each Associate Member in attendance will now have the opportunity to introduce themselves.
- Tributes: We will be remembering former housing icon Elena Bassett who sadly passed away a year ago after serving many years with the Colville, Siletz, and Yakama housing programs. We will also be recognizing recently retired NWIHA colleague Larry Winders for his many years with NwONAP and the Colville and Skokomish housing programs.
Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – Horizon Room

7:00 am  Registration and Continental Breakfast – Summit Foyer

8:00 am  Recap Day One
          Approvals as needed (resolutions, etc.)

8:30 am  Special Presentations
          o FCAS/IHBG Formula Response Form: Northwest ONAP Staff will provide training on the very important IHBG Formula Response Form – how to read the form, why it’s important, and how to use it to correct and successfully challenge the IHBG Formula information.
          o Sovereign Immunity: Cari Baermann and Ed Goodman of Hobbs Straus Dean & Walker will discuss Sovereign Immunity Issues that have risen considering recent case law and how these could impact our members.

10:30 am Door Prize Drawing

10:45 am Break: Please visit with Exhibitors

11:00 am Training: Attributes and Skills of Successful Housing Directors – Rodney Clements, well-known tribal Housing trainer, former Housing Director, and Technical Assistance Provider, will lead a discussion on what it takes to excel as a Housing Director. “It is most interesting for me to have this opportunity to engage with current and emerging Directors around this topic. I would see this as investigations around the evolving practice of executive leadership in an organization, and what it takes to successfully lead/influence an organization to achieve its stated goals. I do believe this is a topic that needs as much on-going effort to study and apply in practice as other more technical compliance topics, but unfortunately it is often overlooked.” (Rodney Clements) – Training continues after lunch.

12:00 pm Lunch on Your Own

1:00 pm  Training: Attributes and Skills of Successful Housing Directors (continued)

4:00 pm Adjourn

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Spring Conference April 5-6, 2022
Northern Quest Resort – Airway Heights, WA

This will be our Annual Meeting including the Election of Officers. We will also be announcing our Youth Scholarship awards for 2022 as well as the AMERIND Safety Poster awards. Finally, we will be presenting awards to the Housing Employee, Council/BOC Member, and Housing Volunteer of the year. Hope to see you there!