

**UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE  
USET Impact Week Meeting  
Report to the USET Board  
February 6-7, 2023**

**Monday February 6, 2023**

**USET Social Services Committee joins the Board of Directors for General Assembly for morning session.**

**Members Present:** Clarissa Chatland, **Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe**; Sky Timmons, **Saint Regis Mohawk**; Charlie Strickland, **The Mohegan Tribe**;; Amanda Montgomery, **Poarch Band of Creek Indians**; Angie Branham, **Catawba Nation**; Michael Augustine, **Penobscot Indian Nation**; Rayne Langley, **Coushatta Tribe of LA**;

**Guests:** Angela McClelland, **Coushatta Tribe of LA**; Susie Jacobs, **Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe**

**Social Services Committee Convenes with Clarissa Chatland presiding.**

- Call to order
- Welcome
- Roll Call – Signed attendance sheet
- Establish Quorum – Quorum was established by USET Board of Directors attendance.
- Introduction of Members and Tribal updates
- The Committee’s agenda was reviewed and approved.
- Minutes from the Annual Meeting in November 2019 were reviewed and approved.

**Overview of Tribal Social Services Programs**

- Tribal Court discussions on programs, partnerships, state collaborations, establishing tribal wellness courts.
- Community services assistance programs, various types of tribal programs to help community members and tribal families in need.
- Need for tribal foster families, recruiting, case planning.

**Social Services Committee joins Homeland Security and Emergency Services Committee. Missing Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) Investigations.**

**Post COVID updates and discussion – How each tribe has faired, recovering.**

**Creative Grant Fund Usage – Discussion on planning, spending, implementation.**

- **Adjourn**

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**Tuesday, February 7, 2023**

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David Simmons, Director of Government Affairs and Advocacy, NICWA

- NICWA updates and court case updates
- NICWA policy, feedback

BIA Regional and Central updates for Social Services

- BIA leaders with updates
- Reporting details, review, updates

Business Session

- Discussion, planning for next meeting
- Complete At a Glance Agenda, submit topic ideas for next meeting

**Adjourn**

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