

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-89-256

REQUEST THAT THE BIA-OIEP AND THE DOE-OIE BE URGED TO PROVIDE ONE MONTH'S NOTICE OF CONFERENCES, PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND OTHER MEETINGS TO ALL TRIBAL LEADERS

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of 18 federally-recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, major programs which fund Indian Education are the Bureau of Indian Affairs-Office of Indian Education (BIA-OIE) and the Department of Education-Office of Indian Education (DOE-OIE); and

WHEREAS, each program is effected by policy and regulation changes which in turn effect the tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau Education Programs are to provide conferences for funded programs which outline necessary information regarding programs for grantees; and

WHEREAS, both the BIA-OIEP and DOE-OIE have consistently failed to send notices regarding regulatory changes, public hearings, invitations for comment and conferences in a timely manner for action to be taken by tribes; and


WHEREAS, this practice results in little or no tribal input, and the passing of Legislation which does not reflect the needs of Indian people,

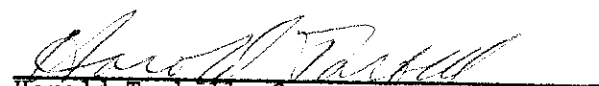
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board formally contact the Secretaries of Education and Interior to ensure the timely dissemination of information pertinent to Indian education issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Bureau of Indian Affairs-Office of Indian Education Programs and the U.S. Department of Education-Office of Indian Education be urged to provide at least one month's notice of conferences, public hearings and other meetings to all Tribal Leaders.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Houston, Texas; November 15, 1989.


Joel M. Frank, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.


Harold Tarbell, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.