**BIG GRASSY RIVER FIRST NATION**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**Big Grassy River Elders Advisory Council (regular meeting)**

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| **Date** | **October 19, 2021** |
| **Time** | **1:00 p.m.** |
| **Location** | **Esiniiweb Health Centre** |

**Meeting Chair** Robert Archie (Ana-kinoot-amagaa)

**Facilitator:** Daryl Archie

**Invited/Expected Attendees:**Elders Advisory Council Members

**Smudge:**  **Opening Prayer:**Susan Archie

**Call to Order:** 2:00pm

**Approval of Minutes:**For October 5, 2021**Motion:** Virginia Archie **Seconded:** Susan Archie ***Approved***

**Roll Call:** Virginia Archie, Vicky Gibbins, Joe Andy, David Copenace, Susan Archie

**Other:**

**Regrets:** Robert Archie, Barbara Wilson, Bella Andy, Brian Major Sr., Marlene Indian, Bill Morrison

**Reading of Agenda for *October 19, 2021***

**(Additional items?)**

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| **Agenda Items:** | **Time Allowed** |
| **1. Transportation for Elders**  - get rides for Elders to get to meetings, ask James Eastman to borrow the  medical van, ask Jazz for MDC to buy a van for the Elders  - Call other Elders for rides  - Barbara can pick up people if they call ahead  *Daryl sent an email requesting a van to James Comegan and the MDC Board members, so far two Board Members approve of the request.*  *Haven’t asked James Eastman.*  *- Daryl will get back to the Elders on James Comegan’s answer at the next meeting.* | **30 min** |
| **2.** **Restorative Justice Update**  - Daryl called and left a message to Arthur Huminuk, Justice Director Treaty 3 Office for information on Training for Elders. Daryl will call back and get information for the next meeting  - Ask Arthur H. where they got the spelling for “***Kaakewaaseya”***  *Daryl hasn’t contacted Arthur yet for this question.*  - Larry Indian from Fort Frances can also do training, Daryl will contact him for  information, Mandy Fisk 271-4883, Darcy Kavanaugh UNFC Office.  *Daryl contacted Mandy Fisk, - she is waiting on Sherry Cameron, Community Justice Team Lead for information on when they can do the training.*  *Larry Indian is the Bail Verification and Supervision Worker.*  *Daryl hasn’t contacted Darcy Kavanaugh, Treaty #3 Justice is going to do the training.*  - Gary Smith from Northwest Bay, Daryl will contact him for information, Contact  him at the NWB CCP Office.  *Daryl hasn’t contacted Gary Smith, Treaty #3 Justice is going to do the training.*  - Justin Boucha can be contacted for information 275-7329  *Daryl hasn’t contacted Justin Boucha,* *Treaty #3 Justice is going to do the training.*  Daryl will invite Justin Boucha to visit the Elders and speak about Restorative Justice and how it’s working in his community.  - **Gladue Reports information was read to the Elders.**  - Maybe they can start programs on-reserve like mechanical, wood working, welding, to keep them busy, maybe they won’t get in trouble if they start something like that.  - Take them out in the lake or in the bush to teach them survival techniques, tricks and tips - To make sure they learn something – leave their cell phones at home.  - Tutor Alternative Education students, write a paragraph with positive words  - Get them to attend sweat lodges  - Ask an Elder to teach them how to pick medicines, they could ask to attend Midewewin ceremonies,  - The young boys could get taught singing and drumming  - George Councillor used to come and teach drumming in the late 60’s early 70’s  - They could get taught how to trap  -  - Jury Duty: pros and cons of Jury Duty  Pros: - Represent the Anishinabe community  - Get paid  -  Cons: - Anishinabe people don’t judge others  - Too scared to say anything, scared of repercussions, to make enemies, don’t know anything about it |  |
| **3. First Nation Elders Website – Firstnationelders.com**  - inform Elders of the First Nation Elders Website.  - Daryl will find out where Ki’eshgitabaaning Cultural and Healing Lodge is.  - To plan a visit there with the Elders, will look for funding from one of the Trusts and make arrangements.  - |  |
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**Motion to Adjourn:** Virginia Archie **Seconded by:** Victoria Gibbins

**Adjourned:**  4:16 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** November 2, 2021 1:00 pm at Esiniiwab Health Centre