

**HOPi TOURISM COHORT**  
**Tourism Strategic Plan Implementation**  
**MEETING NOTES**  
Thursday, May 12, 2022

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 3 PM MST**

**1. Call to Order – Lahoma Davidson**

The meeting was called to order by Brian Cole at 3:30 pm MST.

**2. Self-introductions**

Attendees included Bailey Anderson, Alan Chavez, Lahoma Davidson, Andrew Gashwazra, Lillian Gomez, Iva Honyestewa, HVAccountant, Berni Navakuku, Fred Shupla, and Brian Cole.

**3. Non-profit Organization Formation/Bylaws**

Lahoma Davidson noted that Marilyn Fredericks needed some extra documentation to set up the Hopi Tourism Association bank account. Davidson and Iva Honyestewa agreed that they would both reach out to Fredericks to see what additional information she might need.

Iva stated that Marilyn Fredericks might need some type of resolution. Brian mentioned that this might be meeting minutes that state the need for a bank account. Berni Navakuku said that she emailed everyone about having a meeting with the board. During this meeting they would have to adopt and sign the bylaws and also get a signatory form from the bank. It is up to the President to make the call for this resolution. The documents would then be able to be notarized at the bank.

Brian Cole expressed the importance of an in-person meeting to sign and adopt the Bylaws in order to establish a bank account. Cole noted his availability is not until somewhere between June 20-30. Iva Honyestewa noted that she would send out an email to try and pull together a meeting between the Hopi Tourism Association members to get this done.

Alan Chavez is going to send an updated listing of the current Community Service Administrators (CSAs) to Iva Honyestewa and Brian Cole. Both Shungopovi and YPC CSAs have recently resigned and there are only four active CSAs. Chavez mentioned that the other CSA offices are still operational except for Bacavi.

Andrew asked if filing with the state and formation documents are complete and Lahoma Davidson responded that it is all taken care of.

**4. Hopi Tourism Travel and Training Fund**

Brian Cole reported that the current fund account remains unchanged at \$4,816.71.

Brian thanked Fred Shupla for keeping us updated on any training opportunities.

**5. Hopi Tourism Facilities Planning**

This item was noted as one of the deliverables in the grant. Bailey Anderson directed everyone's attention to the table on the right of the screen which shows the grant requirements.

**6. Hopi Tourism Association Website**

Brian Cole noted the update from Wendi Lewis from our last meeting which was that she has yet to initiate work on the website due to the need for the bank account and funding to secure the URL.

**7. Hopi Tourism Cohort Post-Covid Recovery Plan/Artisans Survey**

The recovery plan has been submitted to the Hopi Tribal Council and there has been no report or update from them since. Allen Chavez explained that the Hopi Tribe is still trying to decide which organization they are going to go with to allocate these funds. Not one committee can be in charge of all of this money.

This is becoming urgent for Hopi due to the deadline that is coming up of being allocated by 2024 and spent by 2026.

Brian Cole asked if anyone in attendance had an electronic version of the Hopi Business Directory. Berni Navakuku said she would ask if she can get access to this and she would pass it along.

**8. Other Business**

Brian Cole offered a replacement project for the Artisans Survey. Andrew Gashwazra then suggested putting information into an app. Brian Cole added this to the agenda for the next regular meeting.

Alan Chavez then announced that the Village of Walpi is working on tourism and they will begin their own tourism program and business development. He stated that hopefully this will be started up within the next two or three months.

**9. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Hopi Tourism Cohort will take place on May 26 at 3 pm MST.

**10. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm MST.