

Board History

We are still gathering history of MIEA for the 25th Annual Conference in Billings, March 30-April 2, 2006. Thanks to Dr. Murton McCluskey who found some old MIEA Conference information, we have been able to fill in two more Boards from the early years 1982-83 and 1985-86. We need your help in identifying others Board members from the early years of MIEA.

MIEA had its first beginnings in 1974-75 and 1975-1976, with Joe Mc Donald being the first President of MIEA in 1974-75. (MIEA was first organized through a grant from the Lilly Foundation and MIEA was headquartered at the Tri-State Tribes Office in Billings, MT.)

Before MIEA organized and held annual conferences, OPI Indian Education Department used to hold annual JOM/Indian Education Conferences starting in 1970. (The 1980 Conference Brochure is shown as the 10th Annual Montana Indian Education Conference held at the Ramada Inn in Billings - Georgia Ruth Rice was the Supt. of Public Instruction).

Following are lists of MIEA Boards from 1974-75 to 1999-2000. Please review - if you have info on the early years of MIEA, please forward to me.

1974-1975?

Joe McDonald, Pres
Mary Kendell

1975-1976?

1982-83

Ed. Parisian, Pres.
Loren "Bum" Stiffarm
Helen Ricker
Karen Cornelius
Murton McCluskey
Harold Monteau
Gerald Raining Bird
Clara Spotted Elk
Clinton Small
Avis Three Irons
Robert Parsley, Exec. Officer

1983-1984?

Stan Juneau

1984-1985?

Karen Fenton, Pres.
Larry LaCounte

1985-1986

Karen Fenton, President
Loren "Bum" Stiffarm VP
Sandra Murie, Sec.
Avis Three Irons
Larry LaCounte
Peggy Nagel
Dr Murton McCluskey
Tom Thompson
Doreen Plant (High School)
Bob Parsley, Exec. Dir

1986-1987?

1987-1988?

1988-1989?

1989-1990 Board

Loren Bum Stiffarm, President

Stan Juneau, Vice President

Peggy Nagel, Sec/Treas.

James Higgins

Ken Weatherwax

Jennifer LaFromboise

Ivan Small

Nate St. Pierre

Linda Pease

Rhonda Lankford

1990-91 Board

Loren Bum Stiffarm, President

Ivan Small, Vice President

Peggy Nagel, Sec/Treas.

Stan Juneau

Margie Perez

Bill LaForge

Gerry Raining Bird

Majel Bird

RoAnne Little Light

Daisy Galbreath

1991-1992 Board?

Jerry Raining Bird, President

Lyle McDonald

Mike Sangrey

Stan Juneau

Robert Fox

1992-1993 Board

Robert Fox, President

Dona Buckles

Majel Bird

Leo Brockie

Michael Sangrey

Desiree Lambert

Andrea Brockie

Vernelle Butch Chase

Frances Bull Shoe

Rusty Tatsey

1993-1994 Board

Theodora Weatherwax, Pres.

Jackie Black Bird, Vice Pres

Vicki Hough, Sec/Treas.

Norma Bixby

Robert Fox

Barney Doney

Bertha Bert Other Bull

Minerva Allen

Donna Buckles

Robert J. Swan

1994-1995 Board

Theodora Weatherwax, Pres.

Stan Juneau, Vice President

Dr. Deborah Wetsit
Edward Parisian
Bernard Lambert
Darryl Crasco
Desiree Lambert
Janice Brockie
Paula Hawley
Ramona Croff

1995-1996 Board

Sandra Murie, President
Minerva Allen, Vice Pres
Stan Juneau, Sec/Treas
Violet Crasco
Rhonda Shumway
Theodora Weather Wax
Deborah Wetsit
Dana Croff
Ed Parisian

1996-1997 Board

Theodora Weatherwax, Chair
Jackie Blackbird, Vice Chair
Vicky Hough, Sec/Treas
Norma Bixby
Lance Matthews
Donna Buckles-Whitmer
Robert Fox
Minerva Allen
Bertha Other Bull
Robert Swan
Loren Bum Stiffarm, Exec. Dir.

1997-1998

Theodora Weatherwax, Chair
Dr. Robert Swan, Vice Chair
Darcy Skunkcap, Sec/Treas.
Alan Azure
Robyn Baker
Heather Lefthand-Ryan
Bertha Bert Other Bull
Erica Johnson
Dona Buckles-Whitmer
Dr. Al Spang
Loren Bum Stiffarm, Exec. Dir

1998-1999 Board

Dr. Robert Swan, Pres.
Theodora Weatherwax, Pres
Dr. Al Spang, Vice Pres.
Alan Azure, Sec./Treas.
Daryl Wright
Corey Sangrey (College)
Melissa Horn (resigned)
Lacretia Weatherwax
Heather Lefthand-Ryan
Dona Buckles-Whitmer
Carol Juneau
Loren Bum Stiffarm, Exec. Dir.

1999-2000 Board

Carol Juneau, Chair
Norma Bixby, Vice Chair
Theodora Weatherwax, Sec/Treas
Robert DesRosier
Daryl Wright
Barbara Perry
Lacretia Weatherwax
Canden Wilke
Dr. Alonzo Spang
Ellen Swaney (Rep to Board)

Cyril Not Afraid (Rep to Board)