



IAEM TRIBAL AFFAIRS CAUCUS MEETING

6/23/22

MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Terry Nelson	Charles Shriver	Jeff Hansen
Angie Taylor	Eileen Connors	Cliff Puckett
Lisa Figueroa	John Osborne	Kirsten VanDeventer
Brandy Martin	Mark Hill	

1. New Business

A. Introductions:

- i. Attendees on the call provided info on their positions for all in attendance to create awareness to whom was on the call.

Caucus website [Tribal Affairs \(iaem.org\)](http://TribalAffairs(iaem.org))

- a) The Caucus Chair provided a reminder of Tribal Affairs Caucus link on the IAEM website where current information related to the Caucus will continue to be posted for membership access.

B. Caucus Initiatives:

- i. The Caucus Chair again highlighted the Caucus Leadership initiatives such as Partnership Outreach and Education support.

Partner Outreach

- a) Agenda will include planned presenters within the next quarter meeting
- b) Update included CPD's offering to IAEM Leadership through participation in a Tribal Nations Focus Group which Salt River Pima – Maricopa Indian Community was able to send a representative to support planning on the upcoming CDP Tribal Nations Training week.
- c) Update was provided to the Caucus about continued stakeholder engagement with EMAP partners toward support for potential development of a Tribal EMAP framework which can be shared with Tribes to support EM program development.

Education Support

- a) Agenda included updates on opportunities for graduate-level educational program and executive leader programs offered through the Center of Homeland Defense and Security (CHDS) at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS). Highlighted were the inclusion of the site location in addition to the deadlines for application submissions.
- b) Agenda also included a reminder on the IAEM Scholarship for students; information can be found at: [Scholarship Application \(iaem.org\)](https://www.iaem.org/scholarship). The current applications deadlines have passed and those interested can look to the next future opportunity.

C. IAEM Info update:

Caucus Contact sheet update

- a) The Caucus Chair mentioned that updating this will be a continual process and will further this by searching through the IAEM website for members.

IAEM Calendar reminders

- a) The Caucus Chair provided updates on the current IAEM calendar events to include the Annual Awards Application deadline which had passed.
- b) Follow up was asked of the IAEM poster contest submission. No submissions were made on behalf of members of the caucus for this year's upcoming conference.

D. Upcoming meeting information:

Future Topics

- a) A brief mention of updates from partners and presentations on topics relevant to the membership was mentioned and will continue to be incorporated into the meeting structure.

Guests FEMA Tribal Liaison, NTEMC, NPS, EMAP, etc.:

- b) A couple partner groups were further mentioned who could be conduits of information which would benefit situational updates to the membership.

2. Old Business

IAEM Initiatives

- a) The last quarterly meeting included outreach from CDP and DHS Tribal partners where they had provided information and presentations to the Caucus which will all be posted on the Tribal Affairs Caucus website.

IAEM Info

- a) The last quarterly meeting included information on IAEM shareable resources such as Twitter, LinkedIn and IAEM Dispatch.

IAEM Calendar reminders / Caucus site for references

- a) The last quarterly meeting included information on on-going efforts to share upcoming calendar items relevant to membership. In addition, the IAEM Caucus site was revisited as a site sharing tool from past meetings, presentation information and reference documents.

3. Additional Items / Needs:

- a) It was suggested by Jeff Hansen from Oklahoma to see if opportunity exists within EMAP to support Tribes by allowing a fee waiver for support.

4. Open Discussion / Questions: Nothing immediate shared.

- a) Eileen Connors from the Diversity, IAEM Equity and Inclusion Committee was highlighted and provided some background on what involvement is within the Caucus. The Caucus Chair mentioned that it is the goal of Leadership to further stakeholder engagement with other Caucuses and Committees within IAEM to allow for diversity.