



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 13-20

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965;

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe;

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government;

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe;

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council adopted the Enrollment Code in Resolution No. 10-31, dated February 25, 2010;

WHEREAS, in enacting the Enrollment Code, the Tribal Council adopted limitations on new enrollments and on challenges to prior enrollment approvals, and specifically reserved to itself the final decisions of whether to accept or reject enrollment applications and previously approved enrollments for several then-pending administrative investigations; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, after completion of the administrative investigations, three minors were disenrolled under section 5.04.020.B of the Enrollment Code in per Resolutions Nos. 10-116 and 12-52; and

WHEREAS, for these disenrolled minors, the Tribe had made capita contributions from the date of enrollment until the date of disenrollment as (a) cash to the parent or guardian and (b) contributions into the Minor's Trust; and

WHEREAS, the contributions to the Minor's Trust remain in the Minor's Trust in the following amounts, as of February 28, 2013: M.R. \$7,302.51; J.C. \$15,171.53; and I.C. \$10,954.52; and

WHEREAS, the contributions into the Minors' Trust do not vest in the beneficiary until (a) the minor reaches the age 18 with a high school diploma or its equivalent or (b) reaches the age 21, and (c) is a member of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Resolutions Nos. 10-116 and 12-52 represent equitable determinations by the then Tribal Councils to, respectively, convey and not to convey the benefits of the Minors' Trust contributions to these minors who would otherwise be entitled to receive the funds but became ineligible through no fault of their own;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that consistent with the aforementioned equitable determination and in a desire for uniform treatment of these innocent minors, the Tribal Council has determined that all three effectively satisfy criterion (c) – i.e., the requirement that the individual be a Tribal member at the time he or she becomes 18 or 21 – and vests those dollars in the disenrolled minors and shall hold and distribute those dollars once the minor satisfies either (a) or (b) alone; and

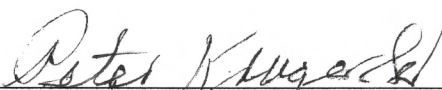
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Resolutions Nos. 10-116 and 12-52 are hereby modified to provide that the minor continues to have a beneficial right in the Minors' Trust contributions and shall have a vested right in the Minors' Trust subaccounts at the time he or she reaches age 18 with a high school diploma or its equivalent, or age 21.

CERTIFICATION

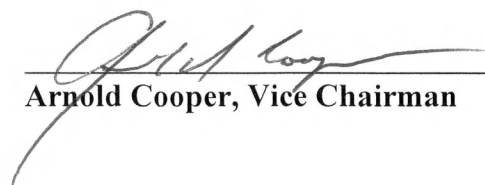
The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 28th day of March, 2013, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.



David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 

Peter Kruger, Sr., Secretary



Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman