



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO 04-16
of the
Squaxin Island Tribal Council

WHEREAS: the Squaxin island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its enterprises and its agencies by 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; and

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 with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS: the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and protecting and managing the land and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS: the Northwest Indian College serves as a regional tribal college providing higher education, adult education, cultural and community development to tribes and tribal communities in the States of Washington, Idaho and Oregon. The mission of the College is grounded in the delivery of quality academic, vocational, cultural and community programs that support the development of autonomous tribal citizens and the prosperity of tribal nations. To the extent that resources are accessible, Northwest Indian College strives to meet the goals of each individual tribe and tribal community that it serves; and

WHEREAS: the Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes that the Northwest Indian College is uniquely positioned to serve tribal nations and communities because the heart of the College's mission is revitalization of our nations. To this effort, they bring resources that are generated from the context of tribal nationhood and the preservation, restoration, and renewal of our languages, cultural practices and traditions, economic systems and social systems including our health and well-being. They are also committed to the restoration and protection of our homelands and natural resources; and

WHEREAS: the Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes the need for a education learning center providing higher education, adult education, cultural and community development for community members; and

WHEREAS: the Northwest Indian College is well positioned to enter into an agreement (See attached) with the Squaxin Island Tribe for the delivery of higher education and community development services at the Squaxin Island Museum Library and Research Center and the Squaxin Island Education Department facilities; and

WHEAREAS: The name of the educational learning center shall be the Northwest Indian College Squaxin Island Campus; and

WHEAREAS: that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does commit to the \$2,500 annual connectivity fee to be connected on the K-20 network and to provide dedicated classroom space within tribal facilities.

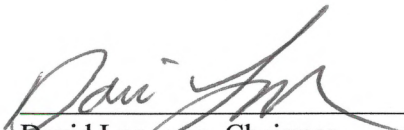
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby approve of the agreement between the Northwest Indian College and the Squaxin Island Tribe.

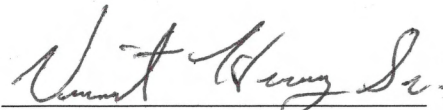
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council understands that the Squaxin Island Museum Library and Research Center is technologically prepared and ready to implement The Northwest Indian College higher education program in a partnership with the Squaxin Island Education Department.

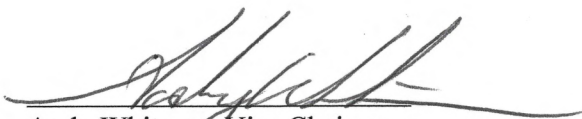
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Squaxin Island Museum Library and Research Center Board of Trustees President, or the Board Vice President, or the MLRC Executive Director to be the MLRC's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring authorization on this particular project, and that these authorities shall be for the duration of this project.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 11 day of March, 2004 at which time a quorum was present and passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 
Vince Henry, Secretary


Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman

**Higher Education Agreement
Between
Squaxin Island Tribe
and
Northwest Indian College**

Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to define the relationship between Northwest Indian College and Squaxin Island Tribe for the delivery of higher education and community' development services at Squaxin Island Tribe, Shelton, Washington.

Preamble

Northwest Indian College serve's as a regional tribal college providing higher education, adult education, cultural and community' development to tribes and tribal communities in the States of Washington, Idaho, and Oregon. The mission of the College *is* grounded in the delivery of quality' academic, vocational, cultural and community programs that support the development of autonomous tribal citizens and the prosperity of tribal nations. To the extent that resources are accessible, Northwest Indian College strives to meet the goals of each individual tribe and tribal community that it serves.

Northwest Indian College is uniquely positioned to serve tribal nations and communities because the heart of the College's mission is revitalization of our nations. To this effort, they bring resources that are generated from the context of tribal nationhood 8.i"l the preservation, restoration, and renewal of our languages, cultural practices and traditions, economic systems, and social systems including our health and well-being. We are also committed to the restoration and protection of our homel8.i"lds and natural resources.

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes the need for a education learning center providing higher education, adult education, cultural and community development for community members and also recognizes the Northwest Indian College is uniquely positioned to serve tribal nations and communities because the heart of the College's mission is revitalization of our nations. To this effort, they bring resources that are generated from the context of tribal nationhood and the preservation, restoration, and renewal of our languages, cultural practices and traditions, economic systems and social systems including our health and well-being. They are also committed to the restoration and protection of our homelands and natural resources.

Agreement

The name of the educational learning center shall be Northwest Indian College Squaxin Island Campus.

Northwest Indian College agrees to the following:

1. Provide primarily college level courses using a variety of delivery methods including video conferencing, web-based curricula, independent study and on-site courses.
2. Over a period of time, deliver programs of study leading to certificates and degrees identified by the site as critical to meeting the Tribe's goals and the educational plans of individuals being served.
3. Provide cultural education services including support for language certification programs.
4. Provide adult education services including GED preparation and testing.
5. Provide student recruitment, advising, and other support services including assessment and placement.
6. Provide staffing in collaboration with the Tribe to support delivery of academic and community programs.
7. Provide technical assistance in the establishment of technology-rich classrooms and office.
8. Ensure adequate job and college readiness and retention through training and advising.

9. Engage in appropriate cultural and community development initiatives in collaboration with Squaxin Island Tribe.
10. Work closely with the Squaxin Island Tribe to ensure that the growth and development of the Squaxin Island Campus is compatible with the Tribe's strategic initiatives.
11. Provide the opportunity for site-based staff and community members including students to participate in Northwest Indian College planning, programming, and development efforts.
12. Provide an opportunity for a representative of the (Name of Tribe) to serve on the Northwest Indian College (Outreach Advisor)' Board).
13. At least once in a two-year period, the Northwest Indian College Board of Trustees shall hold a board meeting at the (Name) Campus.

The Squaxin Island Tribe agrees to the following:

1. Provide classroom and office space for site-based staff including part-time faculty and staff.
2. In collaboration with Northwest Indian College, provide technology resources including computers and workstations for classrooms and staff and site-based technical assistance.
3. In collaboration with Northwest Indian College provide for office equipment and furnishings as may be needed for staff.
4. Ensure participation of staff, students, and community members in college initiatives including planning, cultural and community development.
5. Appoint a liaison on behalf of the Tribe to serve on the Northwest Indian College (Outreach Advisory Board).
6. Ensure availability of tribal program staff to work closely with Northwest Indian College in the development and delivery of site-based programs.

TERM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement shall be in effect for a period of five years beginning with the 2003-04 school year and ending July 31, 2008.

MODIFICATIONS

This agreement may be modified by the President of Northwest Indian College and Ray Peters, Executive Director, Squaxin Island Tribe with thirty days written notice of modifications and appropriate negotiation, provided that any modifications that lead to payment of funds directly to the Squaxin Island Tribe shall be concurred to by the Northwest Indian College Board of Trustees and Squaxin Island Tribe.

TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

Either party may terminate this agreement with thirty days written notice provided that such termination shall coincide with the end of a quarter at Northwest Indian College to ensure opportunity for students to complete their coursework.

REPRESENTATION

In order to facilitate this agreement, Northwest Indian College and Squaxin Island Tribe agree to designate in writing, a representative to serve as the primary communications link between the two parties. All agreements, arrangements, and provisions for programs developed jointly are subject to the approval of the Executive Director of Squaxin Island Tribe and the President of Northwest Indian College.

Agreed to by the (Squaxin Island Tribal Council by resolution) on March 11,2004.

Agreed to by the Northwest Indian College Board of Trustees by motion on .

Signatures

Julie Johnson (name/title, etc) Chairperson
Northwest Indian College Board of Trustees

Concur:
Cheryl Crazy Bull, NWIC President

